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Nomi-nated by their colleagues, the recipients represent the finest the industry has to offer, and their commitment to serving their constituents and the industry as a whole.

Renee Merritt, Senior Purchasing Specialist, Temple University, and Jeri Winkleblack, CPCP, Card Account Manager Bank of America Merrill Lynch, received the NAPCP’s 2019 Peer-to-Peer Awards, representing the end-user and provider communities.

The 2019 Contributor of the Year awards were also given at the conference, recognizing JoAleen Ainslie, CPCP, Management Analyst III/Manager, AP/P-Cards, City of Tacoma, and John Stockinger, Director, Global Corporate Payments, American Express, for their outstanding contributions to the NAPCP. Ainslie and Stockinger have a combined NAPCP membership legacy of 31 years, and have presented at NAPCP Annual Conferences, Regional Forums and workshops, contributed content, and served on NAPCP advisory teams.

A membership-based professional association serving a community of 20,000, the NAPCP is committed to advancing Commercial Card and Payment professionals. Every year, the organization recognizes extraordinary individuals who have given stand-out service to the professional community and the industry at large during the previous year.

“Without the leadership, input, and expertise of our members we would not be the significant, global organization we are today,” said Diane McGuire, CPCP, MBA, NAPCP Managing Director. “It is with great pleasure and gratitude that we present our annual awards to these deserving individuals who uphold the best that our industry has to offer.”

Renee Merritt, Senior Purchasing Specialist, Temple University
Commercial Card Manager of the Year 2019

Renee Merritt is an accomplished procurement professional with more than 15 years of experience within the public and private sectors, including higher education, corporate maritime and hospitality. Renee holds a degree in business administration from the University of Phoenix. In her current role with Temple University, she serves as the Purchasing Card manager. For the past six years, Renee and her team of one, has managed all aspects of development, oversight, customer service, reporting and auditing for 800+ P-Card accounts. She is continually focused on process improvements and thrives on training and collaboration. Renee has one son who is currently a junior at Temple University, and she enjoys volunteering with her church at women’s shelters and nursing homes throughout Philadelphia, PA.
Jeri Winkleblack, CPCP, Card Account Manager, Bank of America Merrill Lynch
Commercial Card Provider of the Year 2019
Jeri Winkleblack is a card account manager with Bank of America Merrill Lynch, and has been in the card industry for over 20 years, also working with two other card provider organizations. Jeri currently manages the State of Florida card program as well as two other large card consortiums in Florida, including a wide range of public sector clients from cities and counties to public higher education, school boards and special districts. Jeri earned her CPCP and has been an active member of the NAPCP since it formed. She is excited to be a part of the NAPCP Government-K12 team. In her spare time, Jeri likes to travel, which is a good thing, since she is on the road for work much of the time.

JoAleen Ainslie, CPCP, Manager, Accounts Payable & Procurement Card, City of Tacoma, Washington
NAPCP Outstanding Contributor 2019—End-User
JoAleen has often been described as a passionate visionary and innovator who loves the question, “Why not?” She is a believer in lifelong learning for both business and pleasure. She has an intense interest in human psychology, worldwide cultures, religions, history and current events—all of which translates to her love of the Procurement Card and Commercial Payment industry. This has paid off as evidenced by her recent promotion from management analyst II, Procurement Card program manager to management analyst III, accounts payable manager with oversight of ePayables and the new Procurement Card program manager. She is currently tasked with expanding the City of Tacoma’s card program exponentially through its new P2P eProcurement/eInvoicing platform that went live May 22, 2017.

Her career consists of many milestones in this chosen field, which includes frequently serving as a contributor to white papers and articles, and presenter, panelist and facilitator at supplier outreach sessions, conferences and forums for various organizations (NAPCP, NIGP, NLC and Washington State to name a few). She has an extensive background ranging from being a private credit collections firm partner, the manager of the Office of Student Accounts at a private business college, to finance, procurement and payables for many years in the K-12 environment where she was exposed to Commercial Cards as their very first coordinator. This fueled her passion for this industry, which resulted in moving to the City of Tacoma to expand their program. She credits her success in this arena to her long-time, valuable membership in the NAPCP since 2002.

John Stockinger, CPCP, Director, Global Commercial Services, American Express
NAPCP Outstanding Contributor 2019—Provider
John Stockinger is a director of global commercial services for American Express. He leads a team of professional account managers responsible for optimizing supplier payments programs with global Fortune 100 organizations. He has been in the industry since 1994, working directly with large corporate customers for more than 17 years.

Prior to joining American Express, John was a global account manager for GE Capital, leading MasterCard Incorporated and Visa commercial relationships. His corporate expense management experience also includes operations, credit and risk management, and product development.

John is a Six Sigma Quality Greenbelt and Certified Purchasing Card Professional, and 14-year member of the National Association of Purchasing Card Professionals. His experience in the procure-to-pay space includes a focus on Virtual Card ePayables.

About the NAPCP
The NAPCP is a membership-based professional association that has advanced Commercial Card and Payment professionals and industry practices worldwide since 1999. Serving a community of more than 20,000, the NAPCP is a respected voice in the industry and an impartial resource for members at all experience levels in the public and private sectors. The NAPCP provides unmatched opportunities for continuing education and peer networking through its conferences, Regional Forums, webinars, website, virtual demonstrations, newsletters and regular communication. The association sponsors research and publishes timely and relevant white papers, survey results and other documents. The NAPCP also offers a Certified Purchasing Card Professional (CPCP) credential. Become a complimentary subscriber for limited access to the resources on our website, or join today for exclusive access to all content: www.napcp.org/WhyJoin

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