

THE STELLA WALSH AWARD EXCELLENCE IN THE FIGHT AGAINST FRAUD

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Introduction

This Award may be presented to any woman within the fraud industry who has made a major contribution of excellence that, in the opinion of her peers and the Award Sub Committee of the Fraud Women's Network, has been of outstanding value.

The Nominee's contribution can be within any area of the fraud arena. The reasons for nomination may include, but not necessarily be limited to:

- an outstanding fraud investigation;
- innovative product development;
- bravery through fraud related work; or
- long term commitment to preventing fraud (a life time achievement).

Subject to the restrictions set out below, the recipient in the first instance would be a member of the Fraud Women's Network but, if a suitable Nominee is not found within the Fraud Women's Network then the search area can be expanded to include women within the industry as a whole.

The Award may be sponsored through the Fraud Women's Network.

The Award will normally be presented at the Fraud Women's Network Annual Event by a representative of the sponsor of the Award, however, it may at the discretion of the Fraud Women's Network Steering Committee, be presented at any other Fraud Women's Network Event.

Restrictions

1. This Award is open to women (resident in the UK) over the age of 18 of good standing.
2. The Award is not open to any member of the Fraud Women's Network Steering Committee or the sponsor of the Award whilst in situ or for one year from the date they 'stepped down' from that position.
3. The Award can be withdrawn should the recipient be involved in any activity that the Award Sub Committee of the Fraud Women's Network determine in their absolute discretion may bring the Award into disrepute.
4. The Award will normally be issued to one individual per year.
5. Nominations will only be accepted in the format of a written document no more than 1000 words and no less than 500 words. No responsibility can be accepted for incomplete, illegible, lost or damaged entries. Proof of sending is not proof of receipt.
6. By submitting an entry, both the Nominee and the nominator will be deemed to have read these terms and conditions and agree to be bound by them.
7. The decision of the Award Sub Committee of the Fraud Women's Network is final.

The Fraud Women's Network agree:

The Award will be highlighted on the Fraud Women's Network home page.

Three months prior to the date when it is intended that the Award will be presented the Fraud Women's Network will canvas its members for nominations.

If no acceptable nomination is received then the Fraud Women's Network Steering Committee reserves the right to set another date at which to canvass its members and other contacts for nominations. The date will be advertised on the Fraud Women's Network website. Members of The Fraud Women's Network Steering Committee can also make nominations provided that the nominees are not members of the Fraud Women's Network Steering Committee or the sponsor of the Award.

If acceptable nomination(s) are received recommendations will be submitted to the Fraud Women's Network Steering Committee for final review and endorsement.

The Fraud Women's Network Steering Committee will convene an Award Sub Committee to deal with the review process that will comprise:

- Two Steering Committee Members of the Fraud Women's Network; and
- A representative of the sponsor of the Award (if any).

Before the nomination is accepted there must be full sign off of the Nominee by the Fraud Women's Network Steering Committee.

The Award Sub committee of the Fraud Women's Network will:

- Promote the Award in the fraud arena and arrange for a press release giving details of the Nominee and the Fraud Women's Network Event at which the Award will be presented;
- Undertake any appropriate checks necessary to confirm that the Nominee is of good standing;
- Invite the Walsh family as guests to attend the Fraud Women's Network Event at which the Award will be presented should they so desire; and
- Arrange for a suitable award to be purchased and engraved.

The Nominee will be made aware of their nomination and invited to the Fraud Women's Network event at which the Award will be presented. The Nominee(s) must accept their invitation by no later than the date provided in the invitation. In the event that an acceptance is not received the Award Sub Committee of the Fraud Women's Network reserves the right to select another Nominee.

After acceptance of the invitation has been received from the Nominee the Nominee's details will be made available upon written request and placed on the Fraud Women's Network Website.

To agree to take part in reasonable pre and post event publicity and to allow the use of their name, story and photograph to be used in such publicity.

The sponsor agrees:

To provide one small Award on each occasion that the Award is presented which will be retained by the Nominee.

To provide a representative to sit on the Award Sub Committee of the Fraud Women's Network and present the Award at the Fraud Women's Network Event at which the Award is to be presented.

The recipient agrees:

To permit the Award Sub Committee of the Fraud Women's Network to conduct appropriate checks to confirm their good standing.

To take part in reasonable pre and post event publicity.

To allow the use of their name, story and photograph to be used in such publicity.

STELLA WALSH

As a senior fraud investigator and Deputy MLRO, Stella Walsh worked for Corporate Security at Bank of America in London with specific responsibility for fraud in Europe, Middle East and Africa (EMEA). She was a dedicated professional within the fraud arena at a time when there were few women prepared to enter what had traditionally been regarded as a strongly male environment.

Throughout her time working in fraud she set new standards for her peers. Her strength of character and her determination to ensure that the best result was always achieved through thorough and meticulous attention to detail was well known.

Her approach to fraud could be described as persistent and determined, and was always accompanied by a strong sense of humour which stayed with her until her premature death at the age of 40.