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NOMINATION FORM

FISSEA EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD

Please review the nomination information including the due date provided on the FISSEA website before completing the form.

Name of Nominee: Michael Petock

Employing Organization: ANG

Position and/or Title: Subject Matter Expert, Department of State, Information Assurance Branch

Nominee's Phone Number: _____

Nominee's E-mail Address: _____

Qualifications Statement: (What has the nominee done to warrant this nomination?)

I nominate Michael Petock of ANG for FISSEA Educator of the Year: Mike Petock has provided exceptional subject matter expert (SME) support for the design, development and maintenance of several role-based training courses supporting the Department of State's information assurance (IA) training program. Implementing his vision in concert with customer feedback, he oversees, and completed revisions to six of the Department's core courses to include Cybersecurity Foundations for ISSOs, Cybersecurity Foundations for System Administrators, IA for Managers, IA for System Owners, IA for Executives and Software Assurance for Developers. This effort is essential to the contract supporting the Department's information assurance training program, as well as meeting accreditation standards. Though his efforts to incorporate the input of SMEs, instructors, a technical writer and a graphic artist, he was instrumental in accomplishing this deliverable through a defined and collaborative approach. His ability to research a plethora of publications, gather qualitative data through working group discussions and interviews, synthesize and interpret the data, and develop course solutions speaks to his organizational and leadership skills. Mike's detailed knowledge of cybersecurity principles, legislation and policies has enabled him to be a contributor to National Institute of Standards Technology (NIST) publication updates, multiple Department Foreign Affairs Manual policy updates, revisions to the National Initiative for Cybersecurity Careers and Studies portal, and exercising due diligence with crosswalks between the Department's IA training objectives and the National Cybersecurity Workforce Framework. His adherence to Federal Law Enforcement Training Academy accreditation standards in the progression of course development has ensured the Department's IA courses meet standards and adhere to governing policies.

