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Air Force Senior Master Sergeant Named *Quality Professional of the Year* from ASQ's Columbus Section

Columbus Section to acknowledge Jessica Stevens at Spring Conference

COLUMBUS, Ohio, February 19, 2018 — United States Air Force Senior Master Sgt. Jessica Stevens has been selected by the Columbus Section of the American Society for Quality as the recipient of its annual Quality Professional of the Year Award. The Columbus Section will publicly acknowledge Stevens's accomplishment March 19 at its annual Spring Conference at the Crowne Plaza Columbus North hotel.

Senior Master Sergeant Jessica M. Stevens currently serves as Superintendent, Metrology Evaluation Team, Laboratory Certification Branch, U.S. Air Force (USAF) Metrology and Calibration Division, Agile Combat Support Directorate, Air Force Life Cycle Management Center, located in Heath, Ohio. She joined the USAF in May 1998 and has held positions as calibration technician, calibration work area supervisor, Quality Assurance Evaluator, Quality Assurance Manager, Laboratory Manager, and Flight Chief prior to becoming an evaluator. In addition, she has served as the Assistant Non-commissioned Officer In-Charge (NCOIC) of Protocol, NCOIC of Combat Readiness Assessment Division, and as an Assistant First Sergeant.

Stevens is a sought-after calibrator, trainer and manager. She has been lauded by USAF senior leaders as a "Stellar Senior Noncommissioned Officer (SNCO) with a passion for excellence," a "Dynamic NCO, a self-motivated performer with impeccable integrity, outstanding results achieved," and a "Meticulous NCO." As a calibration technician Steve became certified in various calibration measurement area disciplines to include Microwave Frequency, DC/Low Frequency, Resistance, Phase Noise, Capacitance, Linear, Temperature, Pressure, Power, Hi-Voltage, RF Power, Attenuation, Mass, Force, and Torque. Her attention to detail and commitment to excellence separates her from her peers.

Stevens has a long history of superior performance as a leader, manager, and calibration technician. Below is a list of some of her most recent awards:

- Squadron SNCO of the Quarter, 2017
- Group Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award, SNCO Category, 2017
- USAF Meritorious Service Medal (MSM), 2016
- Squadron Lance P. Sijan Leadership Award, SNCO Category, 2014 & 2015
- Squadron SNCO of the Year, 2014
- Wing SNCO of the Quarter, 2014
- Additional Duty First Sergeant of the Year, 2012
- Group Maintenance Professional of the Quarter, SNCO Category, 2011
- NCO of the Quarter, 2010



Who We Are

ASQ is a global community of people dedicated to quality who share the ideas and tools that make our world work better. With millions of individual and organizational members of the community in 150 countries, ASQ has the reputation and reach to bring together the diverse quality champions who are transforming the world's corporations, organizations and communities to meet tomorrow's critical challenges. ASQ is headquartered in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, with national service centers in China, India, Mexico and a regional service center in the United Arab Emirates. Learn more about ASQ's members, mission, technologies and training at asq.org.

About the Columbus Section Quality Professional of the Year Award

The Columbus Section actively fulfills ASQ's mission to increase the use and impact of quality in response to the diverse needs of the world in the central Ohio area.

The Section's Quality Professional of the Year Award is bestowed annually to an individual who spends more than 50% of his or her time in professional quality related function such as engineering, auditing, process improvement, management, consulting, etc. Nominees for this award are judged against one or more the following criteria:

- 1) Leadership - demonstrating leadership or managerial skills in implementing continuous improvement and/or quality management.
- 2) Teamwork - demonstrating high regard for teamwork, team benefits and results.
- 3) Innovation - demonstrating support and encouragement of new and innovative ideas leading to the never-ending pursuit of excellence.
- 4) Volunteer service - demonstrating services provided to communities towards furthering the understanding of quality systems and techniques.

For additional information about the ASQ Columbus Section and the Quality Professional of the Year Award visit www.columbusasq801.com.