

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CITATION



Allen M. Solomon

The Distinguished Service Citation recognizes long and distinguished service to the Ecological Society of America, to the larger scientific community, and to the larger purpose of ecology in the public welfare. The winner of the 2003 Distinguished Service Citation is Dr. Allen M. Solomon, Senior Global Ecologist in the Western Ecology Division of the U.S.E.P.A. Dr. Solomon has played many roles within the ESA, but he is being recognized

in particular for his dedication, commitment, and nearly single-handed management of the *ESA Bulletin* over the past decade. He has served as Editor-in-Chief of the *ESA Bulletin* since 1992, and under his tutelage the *Bulletin* has moved from a documentation of Society business to a vibrant, and entertaining, journal with special features that are timely and informative. Al Solomon has committed a tremendous amount of personal energy and enthusiasm to the *Bulletin*, including recruiting articles and adding new features. Because the *Bulletin* has historically been the only publication that is received by all members of the ESA, it has played an important role in informing the membership of news and activities of the Society, as well as documenting the many changes the ESA has undergone over the past decade. It is especially noteworthy that ESA recognize Al Solomon for his service this year, as the *Bulletin* has just successfully transitioned from the “hard copy” print version to a fully electronic format.

Al Solomon has contributed to the ESA in many other ways, as well. He has served as a member and/or chair of numerous committees, including the Public Affairs and International Relations Committees, the ESA Awards Committee, and several committees related to ESA publications. He helped organize the Paleoecology Section and served several terms as Chair. Al is also active in the Association for Vegetation Science and the American Quaternary Association. Importantly for our profession, from 1999 to 2001 he served as Senior Policy Analyst for the Office of Science and Technology Policy in the Executive Office of President Clinton.

For his service to the Society, to the scientific community, and to the purpose of ecology in the public welfare, ESA is pleased to award the Distinguished Service Citation to Dr. Allen Solomon.

Distinguished Service Citation Subcommittee: Katherine L. Gross (Chair), Paul Dayton, Peter Groffman, Nelson Hairston, Jr, Robert Holt, and Beatrice VanHorne.