



**ROCKY MOUNTAIN DIVISION  
OF THE  
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR IDENTIFICATION**

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Ms. Amy Laabs, President  
Ms. Heather Hatfield Schlenker, Board Chair  
Officers and Members of the Board of Directors

Service to the Rocky Mountain Division was the legacy of founding member Jay R. Jensen, and the award bestowed in his name honors current RMD members who exemplify Jay's standard of exceptional service and dedication to both the identification sciences and to the Rocky Mountain Division. With these criteria in mind, it is my honor to nominate Mr. Michael Reid for the Jay R. Jensen award.

Mike's uninterrupted service to the Rocky Mountain Division spans over a decade. Mike served as Editor for *The Silent Witness* for many years before becoming RMD Vice President in 2015, when he organized the successful Grand Junction conference. After completing his three-year commitment as Vice President, President and Board Chair, Mike immediately assumed the duty of Webmaster, a position he still holds today. I believe we can all agree that today's website has improved significantly under Mike's guiding hand.

Mike's commitment to the RMD and its members is not confined to his service as an Officer and Board member. Mike has been an integral part of the 2019, 2020-21 and 2022 Conference Planning Committees. In 2021 Mike was heavily involved in site visits and coordinating with the Monarch staff, and his insights on technology proved especially valuable. Mike also handled nearly all of the registration and printing at the conference, as well as transporting one of our vendors up to Black Hawk and back to DIA. Mike has also been one of the few members to step up when extra help is urgently needed; the most recent example being his willingness to staff the RMD exhibitor table at the February 2022 ACSR/IAFSM conference.

I trust you will look upon this exemplary record of service to the Rocky Mountain Division with favor and recognize his ongoing commitment to the Division and its membership by conferring upon Mike Reid the Jay R. Jensen Award he so fully deserves.

Respectfully,

George E. Slack, CSCSA  
2001 and 2021 Jay R. Jensen Award honoree