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Dr. Arthur A. Socolow to Receive 2007 Ian Campbell Medal

Alexandria, VA – Dr. Arthur A. Socolow has been named the recipient of the 2007 Medal in honor of Ian Campbell. Socolow will be presented this prestigious award at the Geological Society of America (GSA) Presidential Address Ceremony in Denver, Colorado on October 27, 2007.

Dr. Socolow received his B.S. in geology from Rutgers University and both his M.S. and Ph.D. from Columbia University. While in graduate school, he also worked with the U.S. Geological Survey. After receiving his Ph.D., he began his career as a professor of geology at Southern Methodist University, Boston University, and the University of Massachusetts.

In 1957, Socolow joined the Pennsylvania Geological Survey where he worked as Director and State Geologist until 1986. After stepping down as Director, he began working as a consulting geologist, focusing on projects addressing environmental geology, engineering geology, mineral resources evaluation and ground water development.

Socolow has authored over 100 papers and publications. He has served on numerous advisory committees including for the U.S. Department of the Interior, U.S. Department of Energy, National Research Council, and the Interstate Oil Compact Commission. In addition, Socolow has been President of the Association of American State Geologists, the Geologic Section of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the Association of Stratigraphic Nomenclature.

Socolow is the 26th recipient of this award that is given annually in memory of Ian Campbell, a man of remarkable accomplishment and influence. Dr. Socolow's long history of service to the science and profession makes him extremely deserving of this honor. Previous recipients of this award may be viewed at <http://www.agiweb.org/direct/awards.html>.

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