

2019 Rhode Island Small Business Awards



**Small Business
Awards
Class of 2019**

Small Business Person of the Year

Justin Oakley
Mike Vieira
Co-Owners
Oakley Home Access
(Narragansett)



New England Manufacturer of the Year

Sennen Conte
Galen Conte
Co-Owners
Gerbs Allergy Friendly Foods
(Johnston)



**New England
Woman-Owned
Small Business**

Susan Pascale-Frechette
Owner
Pods Swimming
(East Providence)



**New England
Veteran-Owned
Small Business**

Chris Sanford
Owner
PuroClean Disaster
Restoration Services
(Warwick)



**New England
Young Entrepreneur**

Bryan Gibb
Co-Owner
Bolt Coffee
(Providence)





Small Business Exporter

**Naresh Mehta, Co-Founder
Aman Mehta, Co-Founder
Chris Mainiero, Partner
Grow Materials, LLC
(East Greenwich)**

**Financial Services
Champion**

**Pamela LaBreche
AVP, Relationship
Manager
Navigant Credit Union
(Smithfield)**



**Jeffrey Butland
Family-Owned
Small Business**

**Gwen Graham, President
Roger Graham, V.P.
Miller's Roast Beef
(East Providence)**



Microenterprise

Matthew Banoub

Owner

Aten Energy Conservation
(Pawtucket)



**Minority-Owned
Small Business**

Lei Nichols
CEO

Wise Mouth Tea
(Warren)



District Director Award

Raymond Fogarty

Director

The John H. Chafee
Center for International
Business
Bryant University
(Smithfield)

Posthumously





**JOSEPH G.E. KNIGHT
AWARD FOR
ENTREPRENEURIAL
EXCELLENCE**

Kristi Langslet, CEO
Sommerfly LLC
(Cranston)

State & Regional Awardees

(L-R)

Sennen Conte

Chris Sanford

Susan Pascale-Frechette

Bryan Gibb

Galen Conte



Photographed with Small Business Award winners are SBA Regional Administrator, Wendell G. Davis; and Rhode Island District Director, Mark S. Hayward.