Dr. Lynne Billard, University Professor in the Department of Statistics at the University of Georgia’s Franklin College of Arts and Sciences, is the recipient of the Tenth Annual Janet L. Norwood Award for Outstanding Achievement by a Woman in the Statistical Sciences. She will accept the award at the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Dr. Billard received her B.Sc. and Ph.D. from the University of New South Wales, Australia where she began her teaching career in 1966. She has held appointments at the University of Waterloo in Canada and Florida State University, among others. Currently, Dr. Billard is a university professor at the University of Georgia, adjunct professor at Australian National University, and an honorary professorial fellow at the University of Melbourne. Her research interests include: epidemic theory relative to AIDS; stochastic processes with emphasis on model building; sequential analysis with emphasis on hypothesis testing; statistical inference with emphasis on estimation problems, time series analysis; and symbolic data analysis. Dr. Billard is a long-standing member and recipient of numerous honors from many notable societies such as the American Statistical Association (President 1996), the International Biometric Society (President 1994, 1995), the Institute of Mathematical Statistics (Fellow 1988) and the Interface Foundation of North America (Founding Secretary 1987), to name a few.

The UAB School of Public Health has a fund-raising effort to grow the endowment for this award in honor of Dr. Norwood and her influence on women in the statistical sciences. For more information about this effort, please contact Dr. David Allison at Dallison@uab.edu.
Janet L. Norwood, Ph.D.

The Janet L. Norwood Award for Outstanding Achievement by a Woman in the Statistical Sciences was established in 2002 not only to honor Dr. Norwood’s achievements, but also to recognize the contribution of all women to the statistical sciences.

Dr. Norwood obtained her B.A. from Douglass College at Rutgers University, and her M.A. and Ph.D. from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University, as well as an honorary LL.D. degree from each of the following: Florida International University, Carnegie Mellon University, and Harvard University.

Dr. Norwood was the first woman commissioner of the US Bureau of Labor Statistics and is Past-President of the American Statistical Association. She was the Presidential appointment to the Chair of the Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation from 1993-96. From 1979 through 1991, Dr. Norwood was the U.S. Commissioner of Labor Statistics, responsible for the Bureau of Labor Statistics and its work in compilation, publication, and interpretation of statistics on employment and unemployment, prices, compensation, industrial relations, productivity, and economic growth. She testified monthly before the Joint Economic Committee and frequently before other Congressional Committees. In recognition of her public service, Dr. Norwood received Distinguished Rank in the Senior Executive Service from President Reagan.

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