

2019 Master Recipient
G. Richard Locke, III, MD, MACG
(September 21, 1961 – January 10, 2019)



G. Richard Locke III was a noted gastroenterologist at Mayo Clinic and a professor of medicine at the Mayo Clinic College of Medicine. He served as the vice chair of planning, director of the Esophageal Interest Group, and director of the Outcomes Research Unit for the Division of Gastroenterology and Hepatology. He was internationally known for his expertise and research related to the epidemiology of gastroesophageal reflux disease and irritable bowel syndrome.

Dr. Locke graduated from DePauw University in 1983 and was elected Phi Beta Kappa. He went on to study medicine at Harvard Medical School, graduating in 1987. He completed his residency in Internal Medicine at the University of Minnesota, where he served as chief resident, and completed his fellowship in gastroenterology at the Mayo Clinic School of Graduate Medical Education. He was also a member of the Board of Trustees of DePauw University. The G. Richard Locke III Endowed Prize for Pre-Medical Excellence is awarded each spring to the DePauw University student with the highest grade point average of those attending medical school.

Dr. Locke served as an associate editor of *The American Journal of Gastroenterology* from 2003 to 2009 and co-authored more than 30 papers in the journal. An ACG member for 28 years, he also served as the ACG Governor for Minnesota from 2009 to 2013 and was a member of the ACG Educational Affairs Committee.

In recognition of Dr. Locke's work and expertise in the epidemiology of functional gastrointestinal disorders and gastroesophageal reflux disease, and because of his contributions to service, public policy, and education, the College is proud to bestow to Dr. G. Richard Locke, III, the posthumous honor of Master of the American College of Gastroenterology.