

This year's recipient founded his company in 1991 with his wife, starting with a 2 bay shop offering truck repairs in Philadelphia. Shortly afterward, he purchased trucks to lease and rent and began his affiliation with what is now NationaLease.

In 1993 the company became a Hino dealer selling Class 4-7 medium duty trucks. In 1995, a second location was added in New Jersey. As the company continued to grow, he opened facilities in Delaware and then finally in Florida. During this time, the company added the UD Nissan Diesel franchise to its expanding business. The Philadelphia location also added Mitsubishi to its line and the new location in the Northeast will have Isuzu and GM Parts and Service.

His achievements in the industry include being name the second highest volume dealer for Hino Motors in the country in 2000 and 2001. In 2004, his dealership received the Ambassador Award from Toyota for over \$5 million in finance sales followed by a second award in 2006 for exceeding \$10 million in finance sales. On the leasing side, this dealer has won the Leading Initiative award presented by NationaLease for the second year. The nominee served two terms on the Hino-DAC. He currently serves as a member of the NationaLease Board of Directors and on the Hino Trucks dealer advisory board

He has worked diligently designing and developing state of the art facilities to accommodate multiple business uses and is recognized as a leading regional truck leasing and truck dealer in the Mid-Atlantic States.

In addition, this year's nominee has been a long time supporter of many local civic and charity organizations, including the AJ Foundation, Police Athletic League and the YMCA Strong Kids Campaign.

Fred Bentley has a strong dedication to his dealership and the truck industry. He has built a solid reputation in the industry by maintaining high standards and strong customer relationships. Because of his many accomplishments and contributions to the industry and his community, this year's recipient for PTD Truck Dealer of the year is Mr. Fred Bentley.