

2007 SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCATE OF THE YEAR AWARD

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Thank you for participating in the search for the 2007 Small Business Advocate of the Year. Here are a few guidelines to ease the process:

1. Self-nominations are allowed, but all applicants must be a small-business owner.
2. The nomination process will yield five finalists and ultimately one winner.
3. Potential award winners will demonstrate:
 - A commitment to small-business advocacy
 - A proven history of voluntary efforts and endeavors to advance small business and improve the conditions for small-business owners
 - Success and growth as a small-business owner
 - Any other accomplishments demonstrating merit as an effective advocate for small-business interests
4. The nomination process will proceed using the following schedule:

DEADLINE	LOCATIONS
Friday, Sept. 22	Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Dakota, and Wisconsin.
Friday, Oct. 20	Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, and Vermont.
Friday, Nov. 17	Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming.
Friday, Dec. 22	Delaware, District of Columbia, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and West Virginia.
Friday, Jan. 19, 2007	Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Louisiana, Mississippi, Puerto Rico, and Texas.

Please submit nominations to:

Rob Yunich
 Small Business Advocate of the Year Award
 National Small Business Association
 1156 15th Street NW Suite 1100
 Washington, DC 20005-1755

5. If you have any questions, please contact Rob Yunich at 202-293-8830.

Note: Please do not bind, glue, fasten, or place your application in a notebook. Please staple or use a paper/binder clip to keep the application together. Also, please only use 8 1/2 by 11 paper. Thank you.



NOMINATION FORM

GENERAL APPLICANT INFORMATION

YOUR NAME _____

COMPANY NAME _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP CODE _____

BUSINESS PHONE _____ BUSINESS FAX _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

WEB SITE _____

BUSINESS INFORMATION

OWNERSHIP STATUS C Corp S Corp LLC Partnership Sole Proprietor

IN WHAT INDUSTRY IS YOUR BUSINESS? _____

FOUNDING DATE _____

NAME OF FOUNDERS _____

CURRENT BUSINESS LEADERSHIP *(Please list names and titles for each person)*

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
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PLEASE COMPLETE THE INFORMATION BELOW

	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002
Revenue					
Number of Employees					

PLEASE DESCRIBE HOW YOU HAVE SHOWN A COMMITMENT TO SMALL BUSINESS ADVOCACY. (*Suggested topics include: what sector(s) you are part of (i.e. public, private, local, state, national, media, etc.); your voluntary efforts and endeavors to advance small business and improve the conditions for small-business owners; your success and growth as a small-business owner; any other applicable accomplishments.*) Please type your entry and use as many pages as you wish. However, please try to keep entries less than 1,500 words.

PLEASE SUBMIT ENTRY (ALONG WITH SUPPORTING MATERIALS SUCH AS PRESS CLIPPINGS, BUSINESS PLANS, OTHER RECOGNITIONS, ETC.) TO:

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Award committee reserves the right to contact nominees for further information during nomination process.