

2017 SBA Mississippi Veteran Small Business Champion of the Year

An Individual who has fulfilled a commitment to advancing small business opportunities for veterans of the U.S. armed forces may be nominated. Nominees may or may not be veterans.

1. Active support for legislative or regulatory action designed to help small businesses.
2. Evidence of increased business opportunities for veterans as a result of the nominee's actions.
3. Advisory activities to improve awareness of small business opportunities among veterans' groups.
4. Advocacy of special consideration for veteran-owned small businesses in government policymaking.
5. Demonstrated success in obtaining support within the community for the establishment of veteran-owned small businesses.
6. Other accomplishments demonstrating the nominee's effective advocacy of veteran-owned small businesses.

What information must the nomination package contain?

Nominations must contain the information required below. Incomplete nomination packages will not be considered. All evaluation/selection criteria must be specifically addressed.

1. A completed background form (SBA Form 3300, Award Nominee Background Form) which is available through SBA district offices and the online nominations portal. For "team" nominations, a background form is required for each team member;
2. A completed nomination form (SBA Form 3301, Small Business Person of the Year) which is available through SBA district offices and the online nominations portal;
3. An original 8" x 10" or 5" x 7" photo of the nominee or a digital photo – at least 300 dpi is required; photocopies are not acceptable. For "team" nominations, a photo of each nominee or group photo is acceptable;
4. Additional supporting documentation deemed significant by the nominator, including news clips, letters of recommendation, nomination letter (if not self-nominated) and other evidence of the appropriateness of the nomination (supporting documentation must not exceed 10 pages). Videos will not be considered.
5. Nominee's full name, title, business addresses, telephone, fax numbers, e-mail address and the award for which the nomination is being made.
6. The nominator's name, title, place of business, business address, telephone number and e-mail.
7. A one-paragraph description of the nominee's business and/or professional occupation.
8. A brief biography of the nominee, not exceeding one page.
9. A business profile, not exceeding one page.
10. Four to five additional photos from the nominee's company/organization, employees at work.