



SouthWest
MOBILE COUNTY
CHAMBER of COMMERCE

2017 Diplomat Application

*Assisting the Chamber in Retaining and
Growing its Membership*

Name: _____

Company Name: _____

Position: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ St: _____ Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Website: _____

General Questions

1) Did someone recommend you become a Diplomat? If so, who? _____

If no, please list one reference. _____

2) How long have you worked for your current employer? _____

3) Which SouthWest Mobile County Chamber of Commerce events & activities have you attended in the past year?

(Mark all that apply)

Small Business Award Lunch
Business After Hours
Annual Christmas Luncheon
Chamber Training
Executive Roundtable
Grand Opening / Ribbon Cutting
Legislative Forum/Open Forum Luncheon
Coffee with the Chamber
Monthly Networking Luncheon
Business After Hours/Open House
SWMCC Golf Tournament
Citizen of the Year Banquet
Prayer Breakfast
Other _____

4) What is your impression of the SouthWest Mobile County Chamber and the services it offers?

5) List 3 benefits your company has received from its Chamber membership.

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Applicant Questions

1) Why do you want to be a SouthWest Mobile County Chamber of Commerce Diplomat?

2) What do you hope to gain from the experience?

3) Rank from 1-3 (*1 highest, 3 lowest*) your priorities/interest in:

- _____ Networking
- _____ Identifying potential new member businesses
- _____ Helping retain current member businesses

4) What do you hope to bring to the Diplomat Program?

5) Give an example of a volunteer experience you've had that has prepared you to effectively carry out the responsibilities of a SouthWest Mobile County Chamber Diplomat?

Agreement

Please initial next to the following items that you have read, understand and agree with the following expectations of being a Diplomat

- _____ I will carry out the mission of the Diplomats and represent the SouthWest Mobile County Chamber of Commerce in a professional manner, including abiding by a "business casual" or nicer dress code when serving as Diplomat (no shorts, jeans etc.)
- _____ I will be informed about the events, activities, and work of the SWMCC in the region, and work to engage new members into the offerings of the Chamber.
- _____ I will ensure that my company remains in good standing with SWMCC.

- _____ I will serve on a Diplomat Team and work to meet the requirement of attendance at all Grand Opening / Ribbon Cuttings / Open Houses etc.
- _____ I will remit a non-refundable Annual Fee of \$20.00 for personalized name badge, and administrative expenses. (Name tags must be worn at event in order to be considered Diplomat participation.)
- _____ I understand that failure to meet the attendance, duty, conduct, or professional expectations of the program may result in dismissal from the Diplomat Program, and forfeiture of the Annual Fee.
- _____ My workplace is aware of my possible involvement as a Diplomat and supports me making the necessary commitment of time.

By submitting this application, I affirm that the facts set forth in it are true and complete. I also affirm that I am willing and able to make the time commitment required.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

SWMCC provides equal opportunities without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, gender, sexual preference, age, or disability.

Thank you for completing this application form and for your interest in volunteering with the SouthWest Mobile County Chamber of Commerce. You will be contacted in the next 30 days regarding your application to serve as a Diplomat

Diplomat Code of Conduct

Mission Statement: Diplomats assist the Chamber in retaining its members.

Code of Conduct: All representatives of the SouthWest Mobile County Chamber of Commerce, as advocates for the community, will provide an inviting and open atmosphere for networking and conducting business. As public relations representatives for the Chamber, Diplomats must demonstrate respect for the community, other businesses, and each other. The purpose of this document is to acknowledge the standards and measures of conduct to which Diplomats will be held accountable by the Chamber and by each other.

Diplomat Conduct: As a member of the Diplomat Committee, I recognize that membership is a privilege. Furthermore, membership brings with it the responsibility to ensure that all members also understand and commit to the membership standards and guidelines.

Accordingly, I commit to:

1. Conduct all business and professional activities in a reputable manner, to reflect honorably upon myself and my business, and to respect the good reputation of the Chamber, and represent the Chamber accordingly;
2. Understand, support, and promote the Missions and Goals of the Chamber;
3. Refrain from making sexual or other inappropriate comments, jokes or innuendo;
4. Practice restraint when consuming alcohol at all Chamber associated events as to avoid intentional or accidental inappropriate actions, comments or words;
5. Respect the persons with whom I interact by honoring boundaries, recognizing there are different opinions, understandings and comfort levels, and accepting that it is possible to agree to disagree;
6. Respect the property, personal and professional, of the people and businesses with which I interact, by never stealing or defacing public or private property;
7. Participate, whenever reasonably possible, in the functions and activities of the Chamber, promoting business growth and related activities in Mobile.

I also understand that failure to adhere to the professional and personal obligations outlined above, and further defined in the Chamber By-Laws, can result in the termination of my membership in the Diplomat Program.

Diplomat Signature

Diplomat (please print)

Date