

West Virginia Business Hall of Fame



NOMINATION CRITERIA

The West Virginia Business Hall of Fame will recognize business leaders who have established a record of distinction in their field and industry and excelled in one of these three categories:

- national/international businesses
- state-based enterprises
- entrepreneurial and family businesses

The intent is to publicly recognize business leaders and to establish a record of their achievement and its importance to our state and nation.

Nomination Form: To nominate someone for the West Virginia Business Hall of Fame Award you can use the enclosed form or you can download an electronic form from our website:

http://www.be.wvu.edu/hall_fame

Although nominations will continue to be accepted throughout the year, the deadline for the 2009 award is September 1, 2009. The 2009 West Virginia Business Hall of Fame Induction will be held on November 19, 2009 at the Waterfront Place Hotel in Morgantown.

Criteria:

- No more than four individuals will be inducted annually.
- Nominations will remain active for three years.
- **Nominations are not limited to West Virginia University graduates.**

Nominees will be judged on outstanding business performance coupled with high standards of ethics.

The nominee must:

- Have an established record of distinction in his/her field and industry
- Demonstrate a commitment to improving the community
- Serve as a role model for business students/professionals
- Have a clear West Virginia connection (for example: born in the state; extended years of residency; college attendance; business presence)
- Be present to receive the award. Posthumous inductees may be represented by a family member or business associate.

Note: *Enclosed you will find the 2 page nomination form.
All criteria must be completed in order for any candidate to be considered.*

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NOMINATION FORM

Nominee's Name Mr./Mrs./Ms./Dr. _____

Nominee's Title _____

Nominee's Company (if currently employed) _____

Company's URL Address (if applicable) _____

Home Address/Mailing Address _____

Business Phone Number _____ Home Phone Number _____

Email Address (if available) _____

The West Virginia Business Hall of Fame will recognize business leaders who have established a record of distinction in their field and industry. There are three categories from which honorees may be chosen. Please indicate below which category is most appropriate for this nominee.

- national/international businesses
- state-based enterprises
- entrepreneurial and family businesses

Please indicate the industry/area of expertise of the nominee. (*The list below may serve as a guide*). _____

Arts & entertainment	Hospitality/real estate/ construction	Manufacturing
Consumer & business services	Information technology	Networking & communications
Defense & security	Life sciences	Master entrepreneur
Emerging entrepreneur	Philanthropy	Retail & consumer products
Non-profit		Legal
Financial services		Other

Your Name _____

Your Mailing Address _____

Your Phone _____ Your Email _____

How you are associated with the nominee _____

On separate sheets for each section, please provide the following information. Feel free to include supporting documents (news clippings, magazine articles, etc.).

Section A - CHARACTER DESCRIPTION

1. Generally explain why you believe this person is worthy of this recognition. Provide examples of inspiring leadership, innovation in business, etc. Resume or curriculum vitae may be included.
2. Describe the nominee's distinction in his/her field. Provide examples of statewide/national/international prominence in his/her industry.
3. Describe how the nominee has demonstrated a high standard of business ethics. Examples of how the nominee has exhibited concern for business partners, environment, community/customers, employees, etc., may be included.
4. Discuss in what ways the nominee would be a good role model for contemporary business students and business practitioners aspiring toward excellence.

Section B - COMMITMENT TO COMMUNITY/ECONOMIC IMPACT AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

5. Provide examples of the nominee's tangible economic accomplishments.
6. List evidence of community/public involvement and service (e.g., awards, citations, boards, civic activities).
7. List specific outstanding professional accomplishments (e.g., honors, recognition, awards, honorary degrees, prizes).

Section C - EDUCATION AND WEST VIRGINIA CONNECTIONS

8. List any formal education (including degrees earned, major fields, granting institutions), if applicable.
9. Describe the connection the nominee has with West Virginia (e.g., by birth, extended years of residency, attendance at a West Virginia college/university, business presence).

Section D - ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

10. Provide a brief description of the nominee's business or activity (include primary products and services).
11. What additional information might you like to add?

Thank you for taking time to put forth your nominee for the 2009 West Virginia Business Hall of Fame. You will be notified around early-October 2009, regarding the status of your nomination.

Please mail your nomination packet to:

**WVU College of Business and Economics
West Virginia Business Hall of Fame
Attention: Vickie Trickett
P. O. Box 6025
Morgantown, WV 26506-6025**