



MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____ Title: _____

Business: _____ Years in Business: _____

Street Address: _____ Suite No.: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Website Address: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

____ Yes, I wish to join the SBE Council at the following level (please see explanation of *Membership Levels* and benefits of each listed below):

Business Start-Up Level \$50 General Council Member \$100

Entrepreneurs' Council \$500 The CEO Council \$1,000

____ My check is enclosed. Please send me the SBE Council 2009 Member decal right away.

Please send me additional information

SBE Council is a 501c(4) nonprofit advocacy organization that works to influence legislation favorable to small business growth and entrepreneurship. As such, contributions to SBE Council are not deductible for income tax purposes.

**PLEASE JOIN THE SBE COUNCIL TODAY!
MUCH IS AT STAKE FOR SMALL BUSINESS GROWTH, OUR SYSTEM OF
FREE ENTERPRISE AND THE FUTURE OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

Send Check and Form to:
SBE Council
Membership Office
2944 Hunter Mill Road
Suite 204
Oakton, Virginia 22124

(Descriptions of membership levels on next page)

2009 Membership Levels

Business Start-Up Level: \$50

New entrepreneurs (3 years or less), or those considering the rewarding path of entrepreneurship, are encouraged to join the SBE Council at the **Business Start-Up Level**, which grants you all the benefits of a **General Council Member**.

General Council Member: \$100

Benefits:

- **Your Advocate:** The SBE Council is your lobbying and advocacy center in Washington, D.C., which means you get the most effective and respected representation in the halls of Congress, within the Administration and Federal government regulatory agencies.
- **Your Watchdog and Issue Specialist:** SBE Council staff reviews hundreds of legislative and regulatory proposals to ensure these initiatives encourage, rather than hinder, small business growth and entrepreneurial activity.
- **SBE Council Weekly Briefing:** This popular report arrives each Friday in your email folder. The concise and action-packed update will keep you apprised of our legislative and advocacy work, special reports and links to our regularly published Op-Eds or news articles. Action Items for SBE Council members are also included in the update.
- **Tools and Briefing Materials:** The SBE Council will call on you to contact your Members of the U.S. House or Senate, or officials within the Administration and Federal agencies to help either advance or defeat proposals. We will provide you with background information about these key issues, enabling you to contact your federal representatives and officials armed with the facts.
- **Special Events:** The SBE Council hosts special briefings, meetings and conferences where the General Membership will be regularly invited (*please note*: these events may include registration or meal fees).
- **Member Surveys, Feedback & Involvement:** SBE Council members are asked for their opinion and ideas on policy issues. Your personal stories are also very important for SBE Council research, educational and advocacy efforts. Therefore, SBE Council members are called upon to speak with the media, government officials and testify before the U.S. Congress as well as special Commissions and Task Forces.

Entrepreneurs' Council: \$500

Benefits:

- All of the above benefits of our General Council Member category, plus...
- **Small Business & The Economy Monthly Report:** An analysis and review of key economic and policy trends impacting business, investment, competitiveness and economic growth. The report, prepared by SBE Council Chief Economist Raymond J. Keating, looks at what legislators and policymakers are doing (and perhaps, what they should be doing) on fiscal & monetary policy, spending and reform efforts in a number of areas that impact entrepreneurs.

The CEO Council: \$1,000

Benefits:

- All of the above benefits of **General Council Membership**, the **Entrepreneurs' Council**, plus...
- **The Quarterly Briefing Book: CEO Council** members will receive an exclusively prepared portfolio on SBE Council special reports, our progress on key initiatives, as well as our inside analysis of the direction of legislative and policy initiatives. "The Book" will include a preview of our key reports, including, for example, the yearly Small Business Survival Index, published Op-eds, media and outreach activity.
- **VIP Guest Pass:** The **CEO Council** members will be invited as SBE Council guests to all special luncheons and exclusive events with leaders in business, media and the political world.