



**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

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 Certificate # \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Fields in CAPITAL LETTERS are Required Information**

**\*NAME** \_\_\_\_\_ **\*BUSINESS PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_  
 Company/Organization \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
**\*MAILING ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_ Fax Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
**\*CITY/STATE/ZIP** \_\_\_\_\_ If Post Office Box, give UPS delivery address also:  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

**\*SELECT AT LEAST ONE (1) DESIGNATION, GIVE STATE AND LICENSE # WHERE APPLICABLE**

State	License #	Association Affiliation(s):
<input type="checkbox"/> Certified .....	* _____ *	<input type="checkbox"/> AICPA
<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled Agent .....	* _____ *	<input type="checkbox"/> MACPA
<input type="checkbox"/> Cert Fin Planner.....	* _____ *	<input type="checkbox"/> NSA
<input type="checkbox"/> IRS PTIN #.....	* _____ *	<input type="checkbox"/> NAEA
<input type="checkbox"/> Insurance Licensed ..	* _____ *	<input type="checkbox"/> NATP
<input type="checkbox"/> Member of Bar .....	* _____ *	<input type="checkbox"/> IBCFP
<input type="checkbox"/> Financial Planner		<input type="checkbox"/> ACAT-ABA
<input type="checkbox"/> Accountant		<input type="checkbox"/> ACAT-ATA
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)		<input type="checkbox"/> ACAT-ATP
		<input type="checkbox"/> Other(s)

**\*HAVE YOU HAD ANY PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATES or LICENSES REVOKED?**  Yes  No  
 If yes, explain: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*YEARS OF EXPERIENCE** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*FIRM OWNER, PARTNER or PRINCIPAL?**  Yes  No  
**\*STAFF ACCOUNTANT?**  Yes  No  
**\*OTHER, PLEASE EXPLAIN** \_\_\_\_\_  Yes  No

How did you become aware of MSA?  Mailing  Referral  
 Seminar  Other

**\*ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SERVING ON A MSA COMMITTEE?**  
 Yes  No

If yes, check committee below (see reverse for committee description):

<input type="checkbox"/> Awards	<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Financial Planning	<input type="checkbox"/> Procurement
<input type="checkbox"/> By-Laws	<input type="checkbox"/> Legislative	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Affairs
<input type="checkbox"/> Convention	<input type="checkbox"/> Membership/Marketing	<input type="checkbox"/> Student
<input type="checkbox"/> Committee on Prof. Regulation	<input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter	<input type="checkbox"/> Tax Affairs
<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Policy & Procedures	<input type="checkbox"/> Technology

**PRINCIPAL Member** .....  One Year - \$160.00.....  Two Year - \$295.00  
**ASSOCIATE Member** .....  One Year - \$115.00.....  Two Year - \$205.00  
**EDUCATOR Member** .....  One Year - \$115.00.....  Two Year - \$205.00  
**STUDENT Member**.....  One Year - \$15.00.....  Two Year - \$25.00  
 College \_\_\_\_\_  
Submit Unofficial Transcript  
 (See reverse side for Membership qualifications)

List two character references that we may call:

**\*NAME** \_\_\_\_\_  
**\*PHONE #** \_\_\_\_\_ MSA Member:  Yes  No  
**\*NAME** \_\_\_\_\_  
**\*PHONE #** \_\_\_\_\_ MSA Member:  Yes  No  
 Sponsor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby state that the accompanying statements are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief; and I further state that I have never been suspended or expelled from any professional organization and that I have not suppressed any information which might have a bearing on this application.  
 I further state that if I am accepted as a member I will abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Society and will practice in strict conformity with the Code of Ethics and Rules of Professional Conduct adopted by the Society.

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Must be signed in order to process application)

Dues Payment:  Check  Credit Card  
 Credit Card Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Expiration Date \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. Code \_\_\_\_\_  
 Card Holder's Name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**Dues Payment Policy**  
 Annual dues are payable in full in advance and are prorated in the second year (One Year Renewal Only) by MSA on a monthly basis to June 30-the end of the membership year. This application is subject to approval by the MSA Board of Directors and the Membership Committee. Deposit of your check does not imply acceptance in membership. Applicant not received into membership will receive a full refund. (March, 2012)

## You Will Receive.....

- A strikingly impressive membership certificate (11" x 14") on parchment suitable for framing, to be displayed with pride in your office.
- "The Free State Accountant", a quarterly publication to inform the members of current developments in the profession, both locally and nationally.
- Education seminars with reduced rates for members.
- Association with fellow professional accountants to exchange ideas and information.
- E-Weekly Newsletter
- Attend an Ethics Webinar for FREE

### MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATIONS

**PRINCIPAL** - A person who meets all of the following criteria:

1. Must be an accountant, tax practitioner, or bookkeeper.
2. Must be actively engaged in the practice of his/her respective profession as an owner, partner, or principal.
3. Must offer services to the public.
4. Must have at least two years experience in public practice.

OR

Be licensed by a government agency to perform accounting or tax services, or be Accredited by the Accreditation Council for Accountancy and Taxation.

**ASSOCIATE** - Accountants, tax practitioners, or bookkeepers actively engaged in the practice of their respective profession as owners, partners or principals who do not meet the other criteria to be classified as a member.

OR

Individuals employed as accountants, tax practitioners, or bookkeepers in an area of business, industry, or government, and all other individuals concerned with the furtherance of the rights of accountants, licensed and unlicensed, to practice their profession in the State of Maryland.

**EDUCATOR** - Faculty and administrators of State approved colleges or universities, or community colleges.

**STUDENT** - Accounting, tax, or business students enrolled full time in a program leading to a degree or certificate.

### COMMITTEE DESCRIPTIONS

Awards: To recognize the individuals who best represent the aims and purposes of the Maryland Society of Accountants.

By-Laws: To review the By-Laws and recommend amendments, and to review amendments suggested by members.

Committee on Professional Regulation: To monitor the State Legislature for professional regulations.

Convention: To plan the Annual Convention of the Society.

Education: To develop, promote and present educational programs for accounting and tax professionals.

Legislative: To monitor regulation of the profession including the State Board of Accountancy and the State Legislature and recommend responses to the actions and proposals of those bodies.

Membership/Marketing: To establish procedures for the solicitations and renewal of membership applications, review of those applications, and member benefit programs.

Newsletter: To solicit articles for the quarterly newsletter and recommend the format of the newsletter.

Personal Financial Planning: To offer education to the accounting professional on wealth management so they can better serve their clients.

Policy and Procedures: To develop working systems for the daily activities of the Maryland Society of Accountants.

Procurement: To research and recommend arrangements with vendors to offer discounts and other benefits to the members.

Public Affairs: To promote the society and the profession to the business world and general public.

Student Membership: To reach out to high school and college students in the Maryland area who may be interested in pursuing a career in accounting and having M.S.A. assist and guide them in their pursuit of an accounting career.

Tax Affairs: To promote open communication and professional relationships with tax administrators and collectors on a federal, state and local level.

Technology: To inform and educate the Society members about relevant changes in Technology that will help them be more effective in their practice.