



2012 MTA Board Election Candidate Application

CHECK LIST

- Complete Conflict of Interest Certification and Disclosure and application, and sign
- Attach resume/personal biography
- Attach statement: "Why I want to serve on MTA's Board of Directors" (200 word maximum)
- Attach answers to the following three questions (150 word maximum for each answer):
 - 1) What does a cooperative mean to you?
 - 2) What do you feel is the biggest challenge facing MTA and what should MTA do about it?
 - 3) If elected to the MTA Board, what will be your first order of business?
- Attach two photographs – head shots

This form is considered public information and may be shared with MTA members and the news media. If you do not provide any of the required attachments, that portion of the public information shared will be noted as "Candidate declined to answer or provide."

DEADLINES

Applications from candidates seeking to be **Endorsed and Nominated by the MTA Nominating Committee** must be **received** (not postmarked) by **Friday, March 9, 2012**. (Nominating Committee Members are: Craig Thorn, Bert Hall, Gary Hessmer, Randi Perlman, Merry Braham, and Jim Kellard.) The Nominating Committee will post a list of candidates at the Palmer Headquarters Building on March 15, 2012. Applications from candidates Nominated by Member Petition must be received (not postmarked) by Friday, March 30, 2012.

WHERE TO RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION

The completed application and all required attachments can be mailed to:

Matanuska Telephone Association, Inc.
Attention: MTA Nominating Committee
1740 S. Chugach Street
Palmer, AK 99645

Or hand delivered to MTA Headquarters at 480 Commercial Drive in Palmer on or before the deadlines noted above.

QUESTIONS

Contact Connie Egger (Senior Executive Assistant) at 761-2410.

Please indicate whether you are applying to be nominated by the MTA member Nominating Committee or by member petition (see MTA Bylaws, Article IV, Section 4):

Nominating Committee

Petition

Legal name _____ Date _____

Mailing address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Physical address of primary residence if different from mailing address _____

Printed name as you wish it to appear on MTA's Official Annual Meeting Notice and Ballot _____

Contact information to reach you

Residence phone number _____

Cell phone number _____

Business phone number _____

Email address _____

To become a Board Member, a person must meet certain qualifications contained in MTA's Bylaws, Article IV, Section 3

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| 1. | Are you a Member in good standing of the Association and current in your obligation to the Association? | Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> | No
<input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. | Are you a candidate on behalf of an organization, such as a corporation or church, that is an MTA member? If "Yes", please complete the following. | Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> | No
<input type="checkbox"/> |

Name of organization _____

Address of organization _____

Main telephone number of the organization _____

Your position with that organization _____

Is your position one that has you substantially occupying, directing or using the premises served by MTA? Yes No

Are you a permanent and year-round resident within or in close proximity to an area served by MTA? Yes No

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| 3. Are you at least nineteen years old? | Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> | No
<input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Are you a bona fide resident in the area served by the Association? | Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> | No
<input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5. Do you receive MTA service at your primary residence? | Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> | No
<input type="checkbox"/> |

It is the duty of a Director to devote significant attention to the affairs of the Association. One Director has estimated that a Director spends a minimum of 100 hours per year on Association business. Board Members serve without salary, on a fee basis only, plus reimbursement for expenses in connection with travel on Association business.

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| 6. Does your schedule and other commitments allow you to attend regularly scheduled board meetings, board workshops, and committee meetings? | Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> | No
<input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7. Are you willing to attend additional special meetings of the board, the meetings of state and national telephone organizations, and training seminars to aid you in keeping informed on matters affecting the Association? | Yes
<input type="checkbox"/> | No
<input type="checkbox"/> |

I certify that the disclosure and application I am submitting is true, accurate, and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that I meet the qualifications to hold a seat on the board of Directors of MTA. Should I become aware of any potential conflict of interest or disqualification, I will immediately disclose any such potential to the Board of Directors for resolution.

Signature _____ Date _____



Conflict of Interest Certification and Disclosure Form

Under MTA's Bylaws, directors and candidates for director are required to annually disclose:

- Their involvements with other organizations, with vendors, or any associations that might be or might reasonably be seen as being a conflict, and
- Whether they have had a financial interest in a bid, proposal, project or contract with the organization within the last two years.

The questions in this form are designed to help directors, candidates for director, and the members of MTA to determine whether or not a conflict of interest exists.

1. Do you have a close relative who is a director or employee of the Association? (Close relative is presently defined in the Association's Bylaws, Article IV, Section 8[e] – "... parents, husband, wife, children, brothers, sisters by blood, by marriage, by law, or by adoption and individuals residing in the same residence.")

Yes

No

2. Are you employed by or financially interested in an enterprise which:

- a. Competes with the Association or one of its subsidiaries?

Yes

No

- b. Is a wholesale, resale, interexchange, interconnection or competitive local exchange service provider?

Yes

No

- c. Is involved in a joint venture or other business relationship with the Association?

Yes

No

- d. Is a business selling telecommunications service and telecommunications supplies to the Association?

Yes

No

A "yes" answer to any of the questions above disqualifies the member from serving on the Board of Directors.

3. Are you an owner, officer or director of any organization that supplies goods or services worth more than \$1,000 annually to MTA?

Yes

No

If you answered "yes", please explain _____

4. Do you, your spouse, children, or any other close relative have any other business, financial, or similar relationship that would reasonably be expected to affect your ability to act in the best interests of MTA?

Yes

No

If you answered "yes", please explain _____

5. Within the past two years, have you:

a. Had a financial interest in a bid or proposal submitted to MTA?

Yes

No

b. Been a party to or performed work under a contract with or on a project for MTA?

Yes

No

If you answered "yes", please explain _____

If you answered "yes" to any of the questions above and need additional space to answer any of the questions above, please attach additional pages.

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