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To: Potential Associate Members

From: Kristen Kern, Associate Member Contact

In this attachment, please find information on associate membership with the Mississippi Bankers Association. I hope that membership in our association can be of benefit to you in promoting your company's services to our banks.

Becoming an MBA Associate entitles you to the following:

- **Web Site Listing** — go to www.msbankers.com and click on 'MBA Members,' then 'Associates' for a list of members, along with contact information and links.
- **The Latest Banking News** — a 1-year subscription to *The Mississippi Banker*, MBA's bi-monthly magazine
- **Detailed Info About Mississippi Banks** — a copy of our annual *Mississippi Bank Directory*
- **Invaluable Advertising** — a listing in the Associates section of the *Mississippi Bank Directory* and annually in *The Mississippi Banker*
- **A 50% Discount** — when attending MBA events, associates pay the member fee for registration to seminars, conferences and our annual convention. (The non-member fee is usually double the member fee.)
- **Two Free Convention Registrations** — when you purchase a Trade Show booth at the MBA annual convention. Registration in 2008 was \$425 per person. (Non-associates get only one free registration with their booth.)
- **Priority Booth Space** — at the MBA Trade Show, priority is given to associates.

As you will note from the enclosed application, annual Associate dues are \$600 and will be effective for the membership year of 2008-09. Membership will be from the date of acceptance by the board until June 30, 2009. As stated on the enclosed application, each associate member must be approved by our Board of Directors. Please contact me to find out when the next regular meeting of this committee is scheduled.

For detailed information on the MBA, please feel free to visit the Mississippi Bankers Association's web site at www.msbankers.com. I will be glad to answer any questions you may have, as I am the staff contact for associate members. Please do not hesitate to call me if I can be of assistance to you.



APPLICATION TO BECOME AN MBA ASSOCIATE

The person or firm making application must have a servicing, supporting or other functional relationship with commercial banks and/or savings institutions, such as equipment firms, accounting firms, law firms, consulting firms, advertising agencies, printers, credit life insurance companies, stock and bond brokerage firms, out-of-state financial institutions or other firms or companies. Applications must submit the name of a Mississippi banker as a reference and must be approved by the Association.

Associates are not considered members of the Mississippi Bankers Association, are not entitled to any vote in affairs of the Association, have no right or interest in any income or assets of the Association, and must comply with rules adopted by the Association's Board of Directors. The annual fee for Associates is set by the Association's Board of Directors. This fee is not deductible as a charitable contribution for federal income tax purposes, but may be deductible as a business expense.

Application is hereby submitted to become an Associate of the Mississippi Bankers Association. It is understood that approval of this application entitles the person or firm to be placed on the MBA Associates mailing list; to attend MBA conferences and the annual convention for the MBA member fee; to receive a one-year subscription to *The Mississippi Banker* magazine; to receive a copy of the *Mississippi Bank Directory*; and to receive other pertinent information published by the Association. Our check to cover the projected annual fee of \$600 for 2008-2009 (from the date of acceptance through June 30, 2009) is enclosed.

Complete information for the person to be placed on the MBA Associates mailing list:

Contact Person: _____

Firm: _____

Type of Business: _____

Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Contact's Email: _____

Company Web Site, if any: _____

Signature: _____ Title _____ Date _____

Reference : _____

Your application cannot be submitted without a reference. Your reference must be a Mississippi banker. A signature is not necessary, only a name and bank name. Please contact the MBA if you have any questions about references.

Return this form with payment to : MBA, P.O. Box 37, Jackson, MS 39205-0037. (601) 948-6366