

# NCPLA Membership Application

First Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Middle \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_  
State Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Web \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
State Bar Number \_\_\_\_\_

## Membership Categories:

### Choose one or select all that apply:

- Association, Corporation and Independent Lobbyist - \$100/one year membership
- Young Lobbyist Member - \$100/one year membership
- Associate Member - \$100/one year membership
- State Legislative Liaison - \$100/one year membership
- Retired Lobbyist - \$100/ one year membership

## Committees:

Please volunteer for ONE or more Association Committees:

Communications  
Events  
Membership  
Website & Directory

Education  
Finance  
Standards & Contacts

## DIRECTORY INFORMATION

### Client Listing

List all clients you wish to include in the NCPLA Directory. Please DO NOT abbreviate client names.

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## Specialties

*Please select up to, but not more than 3 specialties (one per dropdown)*

**Specialties 1 Choose One:**

Agriculture Arts & Cultural Resources;  
Business & Commerce;  
Banking & Financial Services;  
Beverages;  
Building & Construction;  
Civil Rights;  
Children, Youth & Families;  
Consumer Affairs;  
Education;  
Energy & Utilities  
Environment & Natural Resources  
Economic Development  
Government,  
Local Government,  
State Government,  
Local & Federal  
Hospitals  
Health & Human Services  
Insurance, Health  
Infant Mortality  
Insurance, Property and Casualty  
Labor & Employment  
Law Enforcement  
Law  
Manufacturing  
Nonprofits  
Pharmaceuticals  
Real-Estate  
Reproductive Health  
Retail  
Taxation  
Transportation  
Telecommunications & Media Technology  
Women's Issues

**Specialties 2 Choose One Above**

**Specialties 3 Choose One Above**

## AGREEMENT

**I hereby apply for active membership in the North Carolina Professional Lobbyists Association. I am currently registered with the North Carolina Secretary of State ( or formerly, for retired members), and agree to comply with the Guidelines for Professional Conduct adopted by the Association.**

\_\_\_\_\_(Initials) I have read the above statement and agree to it's content.

*The North Carolina Professional Lobbyists Association was chartered in 1998 as a 501 (c)(6) not-for-profit corporation (tax identification #56-2086325). Your dues may be deductible as a business expense.*

## **Code of Conduct**

The professional lobbyist plays an important role in our system of government by helping to ensure that lawmakers have full and accurate information with which to make decisions.

Members of the North Carolina Professional Lobbyists Association have an obligation to conduct themselves in such a way that they maintain public respect for their profession and for the legislative process

Members of the North Carolina Professional Lobbyists Association:

1. Shall conduct with integrity and honesty all relations with public office holders, clients, potential clients, employers, the public and other lobbyists.
2. Shall comply with all applicable laws and regulations governing lobbying as well as standards of conduct applying to officials and staff of the North Carolina General Assembly.
3. Shall disclose the identity of the person or organization for whom they are acting.
4. Shall provide information that is accurate and factual to public office holders, and shall not engage in misrepresentation of any nature.
5. Shall not divulge confidential information unless they have obtained the informed consent of their client, employer or organization, or such disclosure is required by law.
6. Shall not represent conflicting or competing interests without the informed consent of those whose interests are involved.
7. Shall not place public office holders in a conflict of interest by proposing or undertaking any action that would constitute an improper influence on a public office holder.

## **Violations of Code of Conduct**

Violation of the NCPLA Code of Conduct may result in loss of membership status in the Association.

A written and signed complaint by a member of NCPLA alleging violation of this code may be filed with any officer of the Association. Upon receipt of such complaint the Standards and Conduct Committee will inform the accused member and investigate the complaint. The Standards and Conduct Committee will make a recommendation for disciplinary action to the Board of Directors. Action will be determined by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Disciplinary action may include:

- Dismissal of the charges against the lobbyist.
- Reprimand of the lobbyist.
- Loss of membership in the Association.