



AMERICAN BACKFLOW PREVENTION ASSOCIATION

To all ABPA Members in Regions 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11:

The ABPA Board of Directors is the foundation of the Association's leadership, working for the membership of ABPA to oversee ongoing association operations and set and implement a strategic plan for future action. Region Directors are elected each spring. I am pleased to invite you to submit nominations for the American Backflow Prevention Association's **Directors** for the Regions listed below.

Nominations close Tuesday January 15, 2019.

REGION 1

Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Rhode Island, Vermont

REGION 3

Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee

REGION 5

Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming

REGION 7

Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington

REGION 9

Ontario, New Brunswick, New Foundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Quebec

REGION 11

Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio

Every ABPA Board member is expected to actively, diligently, and ethically represent the interests of the American Backflow Prevention Association members at the expense of other interests. Serving two-year terms, Board members act both as advisors to the Executive Committee and as a united leadership team for the Association.

ABPA Board members carry significant responsibilities. Please give careful consideration to who would best represent the interests of ABPA, or if considering self-nomination, how you would work with leadership to create the best organization for all ABPA members.

The Elections Committee reviews all potential candidates for eligibility.

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Director Nominee Criteria:

- ✓ The candidate for Region Director shall be a member in good standing of the Association for at least two years, who is actively involved with the Association, has a strategic focus, is visionary and pragmatic with an interest in furthering backflow prevention protection and cross-connection control; and,
- ✓ The candidate for Region Director shall have attended at least one National Association Board of Directors meeting previous to their nomination; and,
- ✓ The candidate for Region Director shall either reside or have their primary employment within the Region. No individual shall be a candidate in more than one Region.
- ✓ All nominees, whether nominated by another member, by a Chapter, or by self-nomination, must have a completed nomination form on file with ABPA by **Tuesday, January 15, 2019**. The nomination form is to include the following (sample documents are available <http://www.abpa.org/?page=2019Elections>):
 - A letter of intent/statement of qualifications (250 words or less in length) from the nominee announcing his/her desire for candidacy and describing one's priorities for the ABPA if elected.
 - An employer letter of support (if applicable*).
- ✓ Nominees may submit this information electronically via the online form on the webpage: <http://www.abpa.org/?page=2019Elections>, or return materials back to the ABPA national office.
- ✓ All nominees may download a packet <http://www.abpa.org/?page=2019Elections> that will include additional details on Board members' responsibilities.
- ✓ The individual, if elected, will be required to:
 - prepare for and attend all meetings of the Board and committees to which they are appointed
 - participate in conference calls when scheduled
 - maintain confidentiality regarding discussions held in closed sessions at these meetings
 - avoid conflicts of interest between serving in the position of Board Member and your professional or personal life, and disclose conflicts if they arise
 - respect the opinions of other Directors and support actions taken by the Board of Directors
 - act in the best interest of the ABPA, above personal interests or beliefs
 - represent the ABPA in a positive and supportive manner at appropriate meetings and functions in your region
 - submit timely reports when required by the Executive Committee of the ABPA Board of Directors
- ✓ Board meeting travel and partial lodging, less meals, will be provided by national ABPA or your Region with pre-approval.

To obtain a nomination form, download it from the ABPA website at: <http://www.abpa.org/?page=2018Elections> or contact Bill Hamrick, at Elections@abpa.org.

Your continued personal investment in the American Backflow Prevention Association ensures our organization's long-term success. I look forward to learning which members will help drive our Association through the Year 2021.

Thanking you in advance for your continued interest in the future of ABPA.

Respectfully,

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* If candidate is self-employed or has no employer support, enter the candidate's name and "self-employed" or "no employer support" on the Employer Letter of Support submission.