



2019 MEMBERSHIP NOMINATIONS

SUBMITTAL DATE: Membership nominations are accepted at any time prior to the deadline. We encourage early submissions.

DEADLINE: Friday, February 8th, 2019.

Please read this carefully as the nomination requirements have changed.

The Ely Chapter of Lambda Alpha International continually seeks nominations for new members and will annually initiate a new class of highly accomplished leaders representing the diverse professional disciplines related to land economics. Please read the following membership criteria and directions carefully before submitting a nomination.

Criteria for Membership

- The **foremost criterion** for membership is an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the development, redevelopment, preservation, or enhanced utilization of the world's land resources.
- The nomination should demonstrate the candidate has distinguished him or herself in the civic realm through **noteworthy community and public service within the last five (5) years**. The nominee's service contributions must be documented in the nomination form and in the submitted résumé and/or cover letter.
- Candidates must have a minimum of ten (10) years of professional work experience **in a field related to land economics**.
- **Candidates must attend a minimum of two (2) LAI events** prior to induction at the June Initiation Banquet.

The Ely Chapter seeks members who will be active in the organization and willing to contribute to our professional community. We are eager for our chapter membership to reflect racial, ethnic, and gender diversity.

Nomination Process

Submissions to the Membership Committee must include the following:

- **A cover letter**, signed by the sponsor and co-sponsor, highlighting the qualifications of the nominee and the reasons why the candidate should be considered for membership.
- The candidate's **résumé**.
- A completed **nomination form** (see attached) that includes a brief citation that will appear on the membership certificate should the nominee be admitted to the Chapter.
- A photo (head shot) in jpg format to be used at the Initiation Banquet.
- All membership nominations for the 2019 class are due by 5:00 p.m. Friday, February 8, 2019. Nominations received after that time will be considered for the 2020 class.

Please send the letter of nomination, candidate's résumé and nomination form with citation electronically (all documents except photo combined in one PDF file is appreciated) to: nominations@ely-chicago.org

The email subject line should read: Lambda Alpha Membership Nomination.

All correspondence and deliberations will be kept strictly confidential.

PLEASE NOTE: SUBMISSIONS WILL ONLY BE CONSIDERED IF THEY ARE SENT TO THE ABOVE EMAIL ADDRESS. NOMINATIONS SUBMITTED THROUGH ANY OTHER MEANS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

Rules and Responsibilities for Sponsors

- Sponsors and co-sponsors must be members in good financial standing (including current dues paid) with Ely Chapter and Lambda Alpha International.
- A member may sponsor only one candidate per year and co-sponsor only one other candidate per year.
- **The sponsor and co-sponsor cannot be employed by the same firm or organization as the nominee.**
- Sponsors are expected to ensure their nominees are interested in membership and active participation in the Chapter.
- Sponsors and co-sponsors are expected to accompany their nominees to the initiation ceremony, which generally takes place on the **third Wednesday of June**.
- We **strongly** encourage sponsors to accompany new members to luncheons and other programs throughout the year to help new members gain a level of comfort and familiarity with the organization and its membership.

Thank you. We look forward to your nominations!

The Ely Chapter Membership Committee



Nomination Form

Applications are accepted at any time prior to the deadline.

Deadline: Friday, February 8th, 2019.

Please ensure accuracy of all spelling and contact information.

Nominee's Name: _____

Professional Designations (if applicable): _____

Company or Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Professional Awards & Honors

Sponsorship Information

Sponsor's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Company: _____ E-mail: _____

Co-Sponsor's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Company: _____ E-mail: _____

Community and Public Service

(Must be within five years of nomination)

Organization Name: _____

Title Held: _____ Dates of Service: _____

Detailed Explanation of Responsibilities:

Organization Name: _____

Title Held: _____ Dates of Service: _____

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Title Held: _____ Dates of Service: _____

Detailed Explanation of Responsibilities:

Add additional pages if necessary

Citation

Please complete the following statement in less than 20 words for the nominee's citation.

"In recognition of his/her contribution to:

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To be considered, the nomination must include:

- Completed Nomination Form with citation
- Cover Letter of Nomination from Sponsor/Co-Sponsor
- Nominee's Resume
- Nominee's Photo (head shot) in jpg format

Incomplete Applications will NOT be considered.

Please send applications electronically with the subject line as follows: **Lambda Alpha Membership Nomination** to:

Ely Chapter Membership Committee Chair
nominations@ely-chicago.org

Sample Nomination Letter

January 10, 2019

Ely Chapter Nominations Committee
nominations@ely-chicago.org

Re: Lambda Alpha Membership Nomination of _____

Dear Ely Chapter Nominations Committee:

It is my pleasure to nominate architect _____ for membership in Lambda Alpha International. I have known _____ for more than _____ years in his capacity as principal of _____.

Since 1990, _____ has applied his passion for practical, engaging architecture to many of _____'s most successful commissions, large and small.

As leader of the firm's hospitality practice, _____ has helped his clients realize their vision for their hotels, conference centers, and restaurants. He remains a champion of the firm's belief that the adaptation or rehabilitation of an old building, whether historic or not, is frequently the best course of action to reposition a building into a viable financial model. From single buildings to planned communities, Rick has led projects that improve the built environment for existing tenants, new users, and surrounding communities.

_____ skill and knowledge have contributed to the success of award-winning residential, commercial, and hotel projects as diverse as the adaptation of a historic office building into a 441-bed student housing facility, the complete overhaul and repositioning of a series of hotel properties under the _____ flag, the 65-acre _____ Public Housing complex, and a _____.

In addition to his professional responsibilities, _____ volunteers his time with _____, _____ School and _____ School, both in Chicago. _____ holds memberships in the Urban Land Institute and the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

The Ely Chapter would be well served to include _____ among its members.

If you have any questions about this nomination, please call me.

Very truly yours,

Sample Citations

In recognition of her contribution to the field of architecture through a design approach to sustainable and affordable housing, particularly benefitting residents with special needs.

In recognition of his significant contribution to the commercial real estate industry specializing in urban infill and adaptive re-use, brokerage, design and development.

In recognition of her contribution to improving neighborhoods and communities through innovative approaches to trails, parks, zoning, and planning.

In recognition of her contribution to both the public and private sectors by adding value to underutilized assets and creating vibrant urban environments, both large and small scale.