

THE CHICAGO AREA
Entrepreneurship
HALL OF FAME

THE OLDEST AND MOST PRESTIGIOUS CHICAGOLAND ENTREPRENEURSHIP AWARDS

Please complete this form for yourself or an entrepreneur you wish to nominate. Full nomination forms must be received by October 5, 2009.

1. NOMINEE (PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

Nominee Name _____ Title _____

Company Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

The information for this nomination is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Nominee's Signature _____ Email _____

2. NOMINATOR (IF OTHER THAN NOMINEE)

Nominator Name and Organization _____ Email _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ Fax _____

3. OTHER BACKGROUND INFORMATION

When was the company founded? _____ When did the nominee become the CEO? _____

Is the company publicly held? _____ Is the nominee still actively involved in top management? _____

Was he/she a founder of the firm? _____

Is the firm's headquarters in one of these counties: Cook, DuPage, Lake, McHenry, Kane, Will (Illinois), or Lake (Indiana)? _____

4. BRIEFLY DESCRIBE THE BUSINESS, ITS PRODUCTS/SERVICES, AND THE MARKETPLACE IN WHICH IT COMPETES

Please cite history, innovation in products/services or management practices; risks taken; competition; and future expectations. (If focus is on past achievements, please adjust accordingly.)

Please attach a statement of no more than one-half page.

5. SPECIAL TALENTS AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Please review the last few years of business operations with attention to significant actions taken, difficulties faced, opportunities captured, adaptation to changing markets, changes in products/services, relationships with employees and customers, the current management team, and any other information you consider relevant.

Please attach a statement of no more than one-half page.

6. TELL US WHY THIS ENTREPRENEUR DESERVES INDUCTION INTO THE ENTREPRENEURSHIP HALL OF FAME

Please note such things as financial performance relative to industry averages, growth in sales and employees, adaptation to changing markets and/or customer needs, customer satisfaction, employee morale, investor performance, competitive strengths, leadership in the community, civic and industry activities, charitable involvements, moral character, and innovations in meeting challenges and capturing opportunities.

Please attach a statement of no more than one page.

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7. REFERENCES

Please list at least two individuals who have worked with the nominee in his or her business who could serve as references.

Accountant _____ Firm _____ Phone _____
 Address _____ Fax _____

Attorney _____ Firm _____ Phone _____
 Address _____ Fax _____

Banker _____ Firm _____ Phone _____
 Address _____ Fax _____

Other _____ Firm _____ Phone _____
 Address _____ Fax _____

8. PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

Note: All information in this area will be kept confidential unless released by entrant's written permission. **Financial statements are not required. If relevant, we encourage you to attach older historical, sales volume, and other information that reflects the nominee's achievements. The below requested sales and employee information is for the last five years (no projections please):**

Year (indicate month of year end)	Sales (\$)	Number of Employees	Is the Company profitable this year?	
			YES	NO

Do you wish to make any comments regarding profitability (optional)? _____

What were the annual sales (if any) when the nominee first took management control of the firm? \$ _____

Please attach previous sales and employee information if focus is on an earlier era of performance.

Has the company acquired or merged with another company within the past four years? _____

If yes, cite the amount of sales growth that resulted. \$ _____

Has the nominee or nominee's company been investigated by a government body or been the object of a civil or criminal complaint in the last four years? _____ (If yes, please explain briefly in an attached statement.)

Is there any serious pending threat to the reputation of the nominee or his/her achievements? _____

9. OTHER ATTACHMENTS OR ENCLOSURES

Provide 1-3 pages (maximum) of company advertisements or brochures and no more than two reference letters (optional).

10. MAILING

Please mail completed copy of the full nomination form to:
 UIC Institute for Entrepreneurial Studies, MC 244
 815 West Van Buren, Suite 400
 Chicago, IL 60607
 Phone: (312)996-2670

You may also fax responses to (312)413-1265 or email responses to ies@uic.edu.