



2018 MRA BOARD OF DIRECTORS CANDIDATE INFORMATION & APPLICATION

Dear MRA Member:

The MRA Board of Directors consists of 33 Directors and 8 Officers. It meets quarterly at various locations around the state. The Board of Directors sets the policies for the Association, and it decides “what” needs to be done in order to protect, improve, and enhance our industry.

Have you ever wondered how you can get involved? Have you ever thought about giving back? Do you see some things that could be done that are not being addressed by the MRA at this time?


If you have answered “Yes” to any of these questions, I invite you to apply for consideration for Board service. Our Nominating Committee will be meeting soon to suggest a slate of officers and directors for the upcoming Annual Meeting in June.

Board service is rewarding in many ways. Not only will you learn about the many things that affect your business and the entire foodservice industry in Massachusetts, but you will have the opportunity to meet and interact with others who share your values and passions. It is also very rewarding to see ideas become policy and to witness the impact of your efforts on the entire industry.

I hope that you will consider applying for Board service. Thank you, in advance, for your willingness to help your Association. We appreciate your continued support.

In order to be considered, your application needs to be received at the MRA office no later than **May 11, 2018**.

Sincerely,



Bob Luz
MRA President & CEO

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

To be considered for election to the MRA Board of Directors, candidates must:

- File a completed application by the **May 11, 2018** deadline.
- Be actively engaged in the senior management or ownership of a foodservice company.
- Confirm on the application that you are willing to invest the time, effort, and resources necessary to be an effective member of the MRA Board of Directors as outlined above.

DIRECTOR RESPONSIBILITIES

The MRA Board of Directors work together to establish and approve policies and positions for the Association:

- Attend regularly scheduled, as well as specially-called, Board Meetings and assigned committee and task force meetings.
- Advise and assist the MRA Executive Committee in carrying out their assigned duties and responsibilities.
- Support and defend the policies, positions, and programs of the Association.
- Promote the restaurant industry and the advancement of the Association when requested by the Association’s leadership (when personal schedule, resources and comfort level permit) by participating as an Association representative in panel discussions or hearings, and accepting speaking engagements before industry-related groups.
- Engage in political activities relating to the industry on the state and national levels.
- Undertake other duties and assignments as directed by the Chairperson of the Board.

BOARD CANDIDATE SUBMISSION FORM

Only those candidates who meet the qualifying criteria and qualify for a Board seat vacancy will be presented to the Nominating Committee.

Candidate's Name: _____

Business/Corporation Name: _____ Position/Title: _____ Length: _____

Business Address: _____

Business Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

Email: _____

OPERATIONS DETAILS

Please list all and identify the type of operation (i.e., theme restaurant, full service, fine dining, contract, quickservice, catering, etc.)

Name of Operation	Type of Operation	# of Units	Annual Foodservice Sales Volume
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If you are operating in more than one state, please list additional states: _____

ASSOCIATION BOARD INVOLVEMENT

Why I would like to serve on the Massachusetts Restaurant Association Board of Directors: _____

My special areas of interest to assist the MRA would be: _____

ACTIVITIES/ORGANIZATIONS (LAST FIVE YEARS)

If you served in any industry-related activities or organizations in the past five years, please list.

INDUSTRY-RELATED

Organization	Position Held	From	To	My Special Contribution

NON-INDUSTRY-RELATED

Organization	Position Held	From	To	My Special Contribution

THE MRA'S PURPOSE

To support, promote, and enhance the food and beverage industry in Massachusetts for the benefit of both our members and the public.

Please indicate your level of commitment:

- ☐ Yes, I'm prepared to spend four days or more a year in my involvement on the MRA Board.
- ☐ Yes, I am prepared to make this commitment, with the knowledge that it may cost my company up to \$1,000 per year on MRA events (business tax-deductible).

Candidate Signature: _____
(Your signature or electronic signature here)

Date: _____

Completion of this application does not ensure nomination. A limited number of seats will be filled. Applications of candidates not receiving nominations will be referred to future work groups for consideration. Candidates will be contacted prior to referral to determine a continuing desire for consideration. Please return via email or postal mail by **May 11, 2018** to Renée Serafino at rserafino@themassrest.org or mail to address below, attention Renée.