

## **DECLARATION OF LGBT STATUS AFFIDAVIT**

I (We) have completed and submitted the NGLCC Supplier Diversity Initiative Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBT) Supplier Certification Application as requested by the National Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce (NGLCC) and hereby certify that the information contained herein and on all attachments submitted are true, correct, and accurate to the best of my (our) knowledge and belief. I (We) understand that this Application for Certification and the criteria set forth have been developed according to the guidelines established by the NGLCC. The certification, when granted, will be for a one (1) year period. I (We) further understand that completion and submission of this form, together with all attachments hereto, is not necessarily the sole criteria for determining certification of LGBT status by the NGLCC.

I (We) acknowledge that if the NGLCC discovers that a statement has been made herein which the applicant knows to be false, the certification process will be terminated immediately and no refund will be given. I (We) agree that all materials submitted with this package shall become the property of the NGLCC.

I (We) further agree that once certified, the continued certification and registration by the NGLCC will be according to the guidelines, rules, and regulations of the NGLCC and may be amended from time to time. Termination of my (our) status may be based upon, but not necessarily limited to, any one of the following:

1. Cessation of business operation by the LGBT business.
2. Discovery that any false information was knowingly supplied to the NGLCC in the completion of this form or as contained in any attachments submitted.
3. Failure to provide timely notice or withholding of any notice to the NGLCC of the transfer or loss of ownership and/or management and control of the business by its LGBT group member(s).
4. Failure or refusal to allow the NGLCC and/or its representative access to the company's place of business upon reasonable notice and demand for the purpose of a site visit.
5. Sale, exchange, or transfer of ownership of the LGBT business, if such transfer results in the loss of control and ownership of the business by the LGBT group member(s).

I (We) understand and agree that the NGLCC reserves the right to request any additional information that it may deem necessary to substantiate the information and representations made by the applicant(s) for certification. I (We) declare that the company in whose name this application is being submitted is at least fifty-one percent (51%) owned by one or more LGBT individuals (as defined herein) and such individuals control, operate, and manage the company.

I (We) understand that my (our) company will be accessible by NGLCC corporate partners as well as published on at least an annual basis as an NGLCC LGBT certified supplier to the general public.

The undersigned hereby agree(s) to hold the NGLCC free and harmless from any and all claims, demands, and damages whatsoever arising out of the presentation of this application and agrees to indemnify and hold the NGLCC harmless for any and all liability in connection with the certification of the information contained in this application.

The undersigned hereby declare(s) under penalty of perjury that all statements made in this application and any attachments hereto are true and correct. I (We) understand that the certification fee included is non-refundable. Recertification is \$200.00 and is assessed on an annual basis. Requirements for recertification are available from the NGLCC.

**Business Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature(s) of Proprietor, all Partners or President of the Corporation:**

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please have this form NOTARIZED, retain a copy of this application for your files, and return the original completed application (including attachments) to:**

**Supplier Diversity & Corporate Relations  
National Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce  
1612 U Street, NW, Suite 408  
Washington, DC 20009**

State of: \_\_\_\_\_

County of: \_\_\_\_\_

**On this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_, before me appeared (name[s]) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ to me personally known, who being dully sworn, did execute the following affidavit, and did  
state that he or she was properly authorized by \_\_\_\_\_ (name of firm) to execute the affidavit  
and did so as his or her free act deed. (Seal)  
WITNESS my hand and official seal.**

Notary Public: \_\_\_\_\_ (Seal) \_\_\_\_\_

Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

Public Law 99-272, the "Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1985," which amends Section 16 of the Small Business Act, established penalties of up to a \$50,000 fine or imprisonment of up to five years, or both, for misrepresenting, in writing, the status of any concern or small business owned and controlled by socially and economically disadvantaged individuals (a "DBE") in order to obtain for oneself or another any prime subcontract to be awarded as a result or in furtherance or any provision of federal law that specifically references Section 8(D) of the Small Business Act for a definition of eligibility.