



*June 26, 2008
Arlington, TX*

Annual Small Business Procurement Fair Advocate Awards

REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS

The ALLIANCE TEXAS Awards Committee will recognize five outstanding individuals or organizations that have made a great impact on the economic development of the small business community over the past year.

We are looking for advocates that have demonstrated "over and above" performance in supporting, providing excellent services and resources, and/or championing initiatives in the growth and development of small businesses. Individuals and/or organizations from within the five state region (Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Texas) will be recognized.

These five deserving individuals and/or organizations will be honored at the 7th Annual ALLIANCE Texas Small Business Procurement Fair Luncheon on Thursday, June 26, 2008 at the Arlington Convention Center.

The nomination form is attached which describes the guidelines for your submission. For more information, please contact LaVida Barnes at lavida.barnes@gsa.gov or 817-978-0800. **All nominations must be submitted to LaVida Barnes by fax: 817-978-0440 or email (lavida.barnes@gsa.gov) by 5:00 pm on May 16, 2008.**

You can learn more about and register for the upcoming 7th Annual ALLIANCE Texas Small Business Procurement Fair at <http://www.allianceforbiz.com/>.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Royalyn B. Reid".

Royalyn B. Reid
Consumer and Market Insights, Inc.
Advocacy Awards Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "LaVida Barnes".

LaVida Barnes
Business Specialist
GSA Small Business Utilization



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General Information

NAME OF NOMINEE (Individual or Organization): _____

Company/Agency: _____

Position: _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Name of Person Submitting Nomination: _____

Company/Agency: _____

Mailing Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____ Phone #: _____

Outstanding Performance

(Please type your answer below each question. You may use as much space as you deem necessary.)

I. Nominee's Background (10 points)

- *What are the nominee's job responsibility and/or volunteer involvement in the small business community?*

II Small Business Community Involvement (45 points)

- *Please list the nominee's involvement in at least two initiatives or programs that have made a positive impact on small businesses over the past year?*
- *What role did the nominee play in the initiatives/programs (named above) to assist in overcoming barriers and growing the small business community?*

III Demonstration of "Over and Above" Performance (45 points)

- *How has the nominee demonstrated "over and above" performance in supporting and providing excellent service/resources to the small business community?*
- *Please provide any additional information for consideration.*