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Confidential Application for Program Candidacy

Name: _____

Date: _____

County of Residence: _____

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION:

Application Deadline: Due no later than 5:00 pm, October 30, 2009

Submit: Please submit one (1) completed and signed copy of this application and your resume to:

By mail:

Marian Bergeson Excellence in Public Service Series
Ann Rommel, Executive Director
Scholar Selection Committee
8 Fresian
Coto De Caza, CA 92679

By email: *attach as PDF file and mail original hard copy to above address*

Attention ~ Ann Rommel: info@thebergesonseries.com

**Please do not include materials other than those requested.
All information submitted will be held confidential.**

BERGESON SERIES REQUIREMENTS:

Successful Bergeson Series candidates demonstrate existing or considerable leadership potential in their chosen fields of work and/or in service to their community over a significant period of time. Applicants should ideally be actively involved in an elected, appointed, staff, Republican Party, volunteer, or advocacy role at the local, state or national level, display commitment to the full participation of women in politics and government, and affirm loyalty to the Republican Party.

Scholars selected for the 2010 Marian Bergeson Series will provide two black and white identical glossy portrait photographs for publicity purposes upon acceptance to the Series. Scholars are required to pay a registration fee of \$250, as well as their transportation to and from seminars, Sacramento in June, and Washington D.C. in May. Additionally, Scholars must commit to contribute or raise an additional \$1,000 on behalf of the Series, submitting the funds to the Series' Board of Directors no later than May 5th. Scholars who do not meet this required goal will not attend the Washington D.C. seminar or graduate from the Series.

Scholars are required to attend all seminars. Upon notification of selection and prior to the first seminar in January, Scholars will complete and submit an Attendance Agreement & Employer Approval Verification form to the Series' Board of Directors. The only excused absence from a seminar will be in the event of a family emergency or other pre-authorized absence (by the Executive Director). A second absence will result in being dropped from the Series.

Seminars are scheduled to be held in 2010 on the following dates at the following locations:

January 29, 30 (Orange County)
February 19 (Orange County)
March 27 (Long Beach)
April 23 (Fresno)

May 9, 10, 11,12 (Washington DC)
June 8, 9, 10 (Sacramento)
July 23 (San Diego)
August 20 (graduation Tustin)*

**Graduation will be held in conjunction with the August CWLA Membership Meeting.
Please note, dates and locations may be subject to change!*

SELECTION PROCESS:

Primary consideration will be given to those candidates whom the Bergeson Series Board of Directors feel are most likely to utilize their leadership skills and political training in the public arena. Scholars will be chosen (to the extent possible) that reflect the diversity of both the California Republican women's community and the State of California. Applicants invited to advance to a personal interview must be available in the second week of November to meet with the Scholar Selection Committee in either Northern or Southern California. The Bergeson Series Board of Directors reserves the right to select Series Scholars based upon submitted applications, in-person interviews, personal and political references, and utilizing the criteria outlined herein. Notification of acceptance to the Bergeson Series will be made in mid to late November 2009.

CRITERIA FOR BERGESON SERIES CANDIDATE EVALUATION:

The Board of The Marian Bergeson Excellence in Public Service Series will utilize the following criteria to evaluate Series candidates. The written portion of the application will be judged on:

1. Achievement
2. Leadership experience or ability
3. Commitment to public/political service
4. Communication skills
5. Personal & political references

Selected finalists for the personal interview portion of the process will be judged on:

1. Communication skills
2. General presence
3. Sincerity of commitment to public service
4. Critical thinking skills
5. Problem solving ability
6. Personal & political references

PERSONAL DATA:

Name:

Ms. Mrs. _____
/ / Miss *First* *Middle* *Last*

Nickname (Name known by):

County in which you vote:

Congressional District:

State Senate District:

State Assembly District:

Personal Data (cont.)

Are you registered to vote as a Republican in California? Yes No

Age: _____ Birth date: _____ Social Security #: _____
 (needed for security clearances in Washington D.C.)

Home Address: _____

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<i>Contact Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip Code</i>
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Business/Organization or Employer: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

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<i>Contact Address</i>	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>Zip Code</i>
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Telephone: _____ *Contact Phone Number*

Home: (_____) _____ •

Work: (_____) _____ •

Cell: (_____) _____ •

Fax: (_____) _____ •

Email: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime (other than minor traffic violation)? Yes No
 If yes, please attach explanation.

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING IN DETAIL:

Why would you like to be selected for the Bergeson Series and what do you hope to contribute to the civic life of our state?

What do you consider to be your most outstanding achievement in your career so far?

What do you consider to be your most outstanding achievement in your life so far?

How long have you been a registered Republican?

Why did you register Republican?

Are you a member of any Republican organization(s)? Please specify.

What type of public service have you been involved in? Explain how and why you got involved.

Have you ever run for office or volunteered on a campaign for a candidate or ballot measure? Please explain.

What are the top 3 issues (in CA) that elected officials should be addressing?

How did you first learn about the Marian Bergeson Excellence in Public Service Series?

Where do you see yourself in 5 years?

Reference 2

Name/Title: _____

Address: _____

City State Zip Code

Home/Work: (_____) _____

Cell: (_____) _____

Fax: (_____) _____

Email: _____

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Reference 3

Name/Title: _____

Address: _____

City State Zip Code

Home/Work: (_____) _____

Cell: (_____) _____

Fax: (_____) _____

Email: _____

POLITICAL REFERENCE:

Name/Title: _____

Address: _____

City State Zip Code

Home/Work: (_____) _____

Cell: (_____) _____

Fax: (_____) _____

Email: _____

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APPLICANT AGREEMENT & CANDIDACY REQUEST:

I hereby request that the Board of the Marian Bergeson Excellence in Public Service Series consider my qualifications for candidacy. I understand that if selected, my attendance is mandatory at all Seminars (Jan. 29, 30 , Feb. 19, March 26, April 23, May 9,10,11,12 June 8, 9,10, July 23, and Aug.20), except in case of family emergency and that a second absence will result in my being dropped from the Series. (Please note: Dates & locations may be subject to change due to events beyond our control.)

I understand that the Board of Governors of the Bergeson Series reserves the right to revoke membership or graduate status for actions or behaviors that it deems inappropriate or offensive at any time.

Further, I understand that if selected, I will be required to pay a registration fee of \$250, as well as my transportation to and from all seminars, including Fresno in April, Sacramento in June, and Washington D.C. in May, and graduation in August. Additionally, I will commit to contribute or raise an additional \$1,000 on behalf of the Series, submitting the funds to the Series' Board of Directors no later than May 5th. Finally, I understand that if I do not meet this required goal I will not be allowed to attend the Washington D.C. seminar and will be dropped from the Series.

Signed: _____

Date: _____