



CONFIDENTIAL APPLICATION FOR PROGRAM CANDIDACY

CRITERIA FOR PARTICIPANT SELECTION

The Dodie Londen Excellence in Public Service Series is a political leadership-training program for women. Applicants for this program are expected to have demonstrated considerable leadership skills in their chosen field of work or in their service to the community over a significant period of time. Applicants must display a commitment to the process of building a tradition of full participation in politics and government, and be able to confirm a loyalty to the Republican Party. To be considered as a candidate for the Dodie Londen Excellence in Public Service Series, an applicant must be sponsored by a fellow Republican, and submit an additional reference from a community sponsor who knows the applicant outside her party/government activities. Full-time students are not eligible to apply.

Members of the Advisory Board of the Dodie Londen Excellence in Public Service Series are responsible for the final selection of participants. They will use the following criteria in evaluating applicants.

The written portion of the application will be judged on the basis of:

1. Achievement
2. Leadership experience or ability
3. Commitment to public/political service

Finalists will be selected for interviews based on the strength of the written application.

Finalists are required to appear for a personal interview with members of the Advisory Board and Executive Director and other members of a Selection Committee. **PHONE INTERVIEWS WILL NOT BE OFFERED. PLEASE DO NOT REQUEST A PHONE INTERVIEW.** The personal interview portion of the process will be judged on:

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

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION

Twelve (12) copies of this application (pages 1-10), together with twelve current resumes, must be submitted by **June 1, 2010** to:

Ms. Bernadette S. Comfort
Executive Director
Dodie Londen Excellence in Public Service Series
57 S. Ninth Street
Indiana, PA 15701

The application must be type written and completed in full, even though the resume contains similar information. References should be submitted with the application. Incomplete applications will be returned for resubmission by the deadline. **Applications must be received or postmarked by June 1, 2010.**

The Selection Committee respectfully requests that you do not include materials other than those requested in this package. Should additional references be required, you will be contacted and asked to submit those. If selected, applicants will be asked to provide two (2) black and white glossy portrait photographs for publicity purposes. If chosen as a finalist, a candidate must be available to present herself for a personal interview at a location to be determined by the Selection Committee. Interviews will be scheduled to occur in May or June. Further, there must be no conflict with the candidate's employer (if applicable) with the required attendance for the Series.

All information submitted is confidential, as is the fact that an individual has submitted an application. The Selection Committee reserves the right to choose program participants based upon the selection criteria, but primary weight will be given to an applicant's commitment to public/political service. The Selection Committee is most interested in those candidates who the Committee feels will be most likely to utilize their leadership skills and political training in the public arena. Participants will also be selected to represent a diversity of the Arizona community in terms of geography, economic status, race, and national origin.

Notification of acceptance or rejection to the program will be given no later than August 10th every program year. The program commences in October each year and ends in either May or June.

Scholarship funding is provided for each woman selected for the Series to cover the costs of participants' overnight accommodations, food, program materials, etc. valued at nearly \$8,000. **Participants are responsible for a registration fee of \$250 at the time of their acceptance, as well as their travel costs to all training sessions throughout the program.** In cases of extreme hardship scholarships may be granted for the registration fee. The applicant should submit a written request in letter form, only after local sources of support have been solicited. The request should be thorough, detailing why the scholarship is needed. The request should be returned with the application on **June 1**. All requests are kept confidential.



**CONFIDENTIAL APPLICATION
For Program Candidacy**

Name: _____
Date: _____
County of Residence: _____

Application Deadline: June 1, 2010

PERSONAL DATA

NAME Ms/Mrs/Miss _____
First Middle Last

NICKNAME (Name you prefer to be called) _____

AGE: _____ BIRTHDATE: _____

COUNTY YOU VOTE IN : _____

PLEASE INDICATE PREFERENCES:

____ MAIL ____ HOME ____ OFFICE

____ FAX ____ HOME ____ OFFICE

HOME ADDRESS: _____

E-MAIL: _____

PHONE: (H) _____

(Cell) _____

BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

YOUR POSITION : _____

BUSINESS/ORGANIZATION NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

EMAIL : _____

BUS. PHONE : _____

FAX: _____

PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

In your career, what do you consider to be your most outstanding achievement so far?

In your life, what do you consider to be your most significant accomplishment so far?

How long have you been registered Republican? _____

Do you vote in every election? _____

Why did you register Republican? _____

Are you a member of any Republican organizations? Please identify.

What is the name and address of your Republican County Chairman? _____

What AZ House district do you live in and who is your representative? _____

What AZ Senate district do you live in and who is your Senator? _____

What US Congressional district do you live in and who is your Congressman/woman? _____

How did you first learn about the Dodie Londen Excellence in Public Service Series? _____

- From my employer _____ (contact name)
- From someone on State Committee _____ (contact name)
- From someone in elected or appointed office _____ (contact name & office)
- From a press release
- From the website
- Through a professional/community organization _____ (organization name)
- Other _____

Have you ever been arrested?

- No
- Yes (If yes, please explain.)

CURRENT RESUME

Each applicant must attach a current resume with the following information (please be as detailed as possible).

Employment History—please include employment history for the last ten years.

Professional Organizations—please include any special professional or work-related honors/awards.

Volunteer/Community Activities—please list community, civic, political, cultural, religious and social organizations

to which you have volunteered your time and for which you have not received monetary compensation.

Education—please include high school and all further education such as trade school/specialized training, partial college attendances and degrees received as well as any academic awards or honors.

Are you or have you been a Committeewoman/Precinct Chair?

Yes _____

No _____

Are you or have you been a candidate for elective office or party leadership?

Yes _____

No _____

What office? _____

When? _____

Where? _____

Have you served as an elected or appointed government official (paid or unpaid)?

Yes _____

No _____

What was your position? _____

Dates of service? _____

Are you currently an active candidate for a paid or unpaid government post at any level?

Please explain:



MENTOR PROGRAM QUESTIONNAIRE

Identify your political goal or objective for the next year or few years.

I am most interested in a mentor who has experience in:

(Please rank first and second preferences)

- running for office
- running a campaign
- seeking an appointed position (unpaid/paid/judiciary)
- working in a party position
- party leadership
- fundraising
- a specific issue (please identify)

I am most interested in a mentor who is experienced at the:

(Please rank first and second preferences)

- state level
- county level
- municipal level
- federal level

I am particularly interested in the following issue(s):

Provide some highlights of your political resume:

It would also be helpful for my mentor to know:

If more space is needed, attach another page labeled with the name of applicant.

Please explain how you know the nominee.

Signature _____ Date _____

REFERENCE CONTACT INFORMATION

NAME _____

TITLE _____

ADDRESS _____

WORK PHONE _____

HOME PHONE _____

Please return the completed reference to the applicant.
References must be submitted with the entire application.

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