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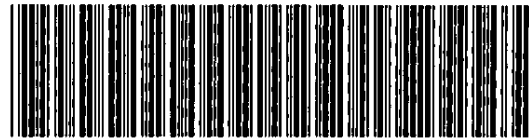
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**COVER LETTER**

**TO:** Registration Section  
Division of Corporations

**SUBJECT:** Pride in Business

(Mark to be registered)

The enclosed Trademark/Service Mark Application, specimens and fee(s) are submitted for filing.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

Antonio G. Tapia, Esq.

(Name of Person)

AGT Law, P.A.

(Firm/Company)

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(Address)

Maitland, FL 32751

(City/State and Zip Code)

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Antonio G. Tapia

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APPLICATION FOR THE REGISTRATION OF A TRADEMARK OR SERVICE MARK  
PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 495, FLORIDA STATUTES

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PART I

1. OWNER/APPLICANT: Enter the name and address of the individual or the business entity to be listed as the owner of the Trademark and/or Service Mark on the records of the Florida Department of State.

(a) Owner's/Applicant's name: Metropolitan Business Association, Inc.

(b) Owner's/Applicant's business address: 189 S Orange Avenue, Suite 1110S  
Orlando, FL 32801

City/State/Zip

If different, Owner's/Applicant's mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip

(c) Owner's/Applicant's telephone number: (321) 800-3946

Check the appropriate box to indicate the Owner/Applicant is a(n):

- ☐ Individual      ☐ Corporation      ☐ Joint Venture      ☐ Limited Liability Company  
☐ General Partnership      ☐ Limited Partnership      ☐ Union      ☒ Other: Non Profit Corporation

If the Owner/Applicant is a business entity, the business entity must have an active filing or registration on file with the Florida Department of State. If the Owner/Applicant is not an individual, enter the business entity's Florida registration/document number in #1, the state or country under the laws of which the business entity is currently formed, organized or incorporated under in #2, and the entity's federal employer identification number (EIN) in #3.

(1) Florida registration/document number: N49579 ✓

(2) Domicile State or Country: Florida

(3) Federal Employer Identification Number: 593518878

2. (a) SERVICE MARK: If the owner/applicant is using the name, logo, design and/or slogan being registered in connection with a type of service, the mark is a service mark. If the mark is a service mark, the applicant/owner must list the specific service(s) the mark is being used in connection with. For example: furniture moving services, diaper services, house painting services, wholesale and retail sales of tractor equipment, etc. If the owner/applicant is using the mark to identify services available in the market place, enter the specific service(s) being rendered here:

(Note: List only those services currently being rendered by the owner/applicant. Do not include future services.)

Services relate to providing education, training, networking and cultural activities related to best practices, and other information on LGBT-owned businesses and their allies.

2. (b) TRADEMARK: If the owner/applicant is using the name, logo, design and/or slogan being registered in connection with an actual product manufactured by the owner/applicant or on the owner/applicant's behalf, the mark is a trademark. If the mark is a trademark, the applicant/owner must list the specific product(s) the name, logo, design and/or slogan is being used to identify. For example: ladies sportswear, cat food, barbecue grills, shoe laces, etc. If the owner/applicant is using the name, logo, design and/or slogan to identify goods available in the market place, enter the specific product(s) the name, logo, design and/or slogan is being used to identify:

(Note: List only those product(s) currently available. Do not include future products.)

n/a

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2. (c) HOW IS THE NAME, LOGO, DESIGN AND/OR SLOGAN CURRENTLY USED:

SERVICE MARKS: If the name, logo, design and/or slogan are/is being used in connection with a type of service, you must specify the form(s)/mean(s) of advertisement the applicant/owner is using to advertise the services to the general public. For example: newspaper advertisements, business cards, brochures, flyers, pamphlets, menus, etc. If the mark is being used in connection with a type of service, state how the name, logo, design and/or slogan are/is being used in advertising here:

The mark is used continuously and consistently on all collateral materials related to the initiatives of the chamber of commerce and shows the services affiliated therewith: Website, brochures, flyers, advertisements for events, networking functions and other programs.

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TRADEMARKS: If the name, logo, design and/or slogan are/is being used to identify a product manufactured by or for the applicant/owner, you must specify how the mark is applied or affixed to the actual product or its packaging. For example: a tag, label, imprinted or engraved on the actual product, etc. If the mark is being used in connection with a specific product, state how the name, logo, design and/or slogan is applied or affixed to the actual product(s) or the packaging:

n/a

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2. (d) FEE(S) AND CLASS(ES): There are a total of 45 classes or categories in which all products or services must be categorized. The fee to register a mark is \$87.50 per class. Make check payable to Florida Department of State.

List the class(es) which apply to the product(s) and/or service(s) listed in 2(a) and/or 2(b) above:

2(b) Class 41 Education; providing training; entertainment; and sporting and cultural activities.

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## PART II

1. You must state the date the name, logo, design and/or slogan was first used in the state of Florida, and, if it was used in another state or country, the date you first used the name, logo, design and/or slogan in the other state or country. Enter the month, day, and year the name, logo, design and/or slogan was first used by the applicant/owner, the predecessor, or a related company in Florida. If the name, logo, design and/or slogan has been used in another state or country, then you must also enter the month, day, and year the name, logo, design and/or slogan was/were used in another state or country, when applicable.

**Note: The Florida Statutes require a mark to be in use prior to registration.**

(a) Date first used in other state or country, if applicable: January 26, 2012

(b) Date first used in Florida: January 26, 2012

## PART III

### **ENTER NAME, LOGO, DESIGN AND/OR SLOGAN BEING REGISTERED:**

1. Enter the name, a brief description of the logo or design, and/or the slogan you are registering. The description of the logo and/or design must be 25 words or less. List the exact name, slogan, and/or description of the logo/design here: (NOTE: The name, logo, design and/or slogan listed in this section must match the exact name, logo, design and/or slogan listed on your specimens or examples.)

Pride in Business

Provide the English translation of any and all terms listed #1 above, when applicable: n/a

### 2. DISCLAIMER STATEMENT (if applicable):

Your mark may include a word or design that is commonly used by others. Commonly used terms or designs must be disclaimed. When you disclaim a specific term or design, you are acknowledging this term is commonly used by others and that you do not claim the exclusive right to use the disclaimed term or design. All geographical terms and representations of cities, states or countries must be disclaimed (i.e., Miami, Orlando, Florida, the design of the state of Florida, the design of the United States of America, etc.). Corporate suffixes and terms readily associated with the specific product(s) and/or(s) service being provided must also be disclaimed.

Enter all terms listed in #1 above which require a disclaimer in the space provided below:

NO CLAIM IS MADE TO THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHT TO USE THE TERM(S)" \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ "APART FROM THE MARK AS SHOWN.

3. ATTACH OR INCLUDE THREE SPECIMENS OR EXAMPLES OF THE TRADEMARK OR SERVICE MARK BEING REGISTERED

Chapter 495, F.S., requires you to submit three specimens (samples or examples) of the mark in use. You must submit three specimens FOR EACH CLASS listed in Part I #2(d). The name, logo, design and/or slogan on the specimens must be identical to the name, logo, design and/or slogan being registered. You may provide three identical specimens or three different specimens. For each service mark class (classes 35-45), you may provide three newspaper advertisements, business cards, brochures, flyers, or any combination thereof. For each trademark class (classes 1-34), you may provide three tags, labels, boxes, etc. or any combination thereof. Photographs of bulky specimens are acceptable if the mark being registered and the good(s) or product(s) are clearly legible.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT/OWNER AND NOTARIZATION:

I, Antonio G. Tapia, being sworn, depose and say that I am the owner and the applicant herein, or that I am authorized to sign on behalf of the owner and applicant herein, and to the best of my knowledge no other person except a related company has registered this mark in this state or has the right to use such mark in Florida either in the identical form thereof or in such near resemblance as to be likely, when applied to the goods or services of such other person to cause confusion, to cause mistake or to deceive. I make this affidavit and verification on my/the applicant's behalf. I further acknowledge that I have read the application and know the contents thereof and that the facts stated herein are true and correct.

Antonio G. Tapia

Typed or printed name of applicant

Applicant's signature  
(List name and title)

STATE OF Florida

COUNTY OF Orange

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 27 day of Sept 2013. Antonio Tapia  
(Name of Individual Signing)

☒ who is personally known to me ☐ whose identity I proved on the basis of FDL

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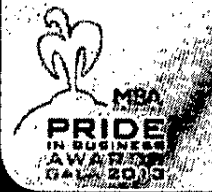


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## PRESS INFORMATION SHEET

### MBA Orlando presents The Pride in Business Awards Gala

**WHEN:** April 20, 2012 from 7 - 10 p.m.

**WHERE:** The Mezz in Downtown Orlando, 100 S Eola Drive Orlando, FL 32801

#### **PURPOSE OF EVENT**

Coinciding with our 20th anniversary as an organization and after four years of recognizing the Debbie Simmons Community Service Award, we have expanded the festivities into a red-carpet awards affair!

Celebrate with us as we recognize LGBT & Allied business and community leaders with awards who go above and beyond the call of duty for the LGBT community whether they be... Small business or big business... Employer or employee... For-profit or not-for-profit... LGBT or Allied. The most critical factor is that they demonstrate Pride in Business. (see "Award Criteria" for specific awards).

**DESCRIPTION** Red carpet entrance, 7 Award Categories, Photo Art Exhibit by Snap! Orlando  
Silent Auction, Keynote Speaker TBA, Musical Entertainment  
Post-event reception at The Abbey

#### **WHO IS INVITED?**

150-250 LGBT & Allied business, civic and community leaders. Anyone and everyone who believe that diversity and inclusion make Central Florida a more successful place for us all.

#### **WHAT'S THE COST?**

\$55 per ticket before April 1st, \$65 per ticket after. Heavy hors d'oeuvres, free beverages, cash bar. Sponsorship opportunities are available as well. All proceeds from the evening's event go to the Metropolitan Business Association of Orlando, a 501(c)(6) not-for profit corporation.

#### **ABOUT MBA ORLANDO**

Since 1992, the Metropolitan Business Association of Orlando, Central Florida's LGBT chamber of commerce, continues to work with like-minded business owners, professionals and corporate allies who believe that inclusive and welcoming workplaces are good for business and our community. MBA Orlando is the parent company for Come Out With Pride and Converge Orlando, Central Florida's LGBT convention and travel organization.

#### **CONTACT FOR GENERAL TICKETS**

Please purchase tickets at [www.MBAPrideGala.eventbrite.com](http://www.MBAPrideGala.eventbrite.com). Contact [Info@MBAorlando.org](mailto:Info@MBAorlando.org) or 321-800-3946 with general questions.

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