



# SOCIETY OF INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL EARTH SCIENTISTS

## Application for Membership

\_\_\_\_\_ (Applicant's full name)

**MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY:** FULL \_\_\_\_\_ LIMITED \_\_\_\_\_ JUNIOR \_\_\_\_\_

In making your application for Membership in the Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists, please fill in all blanks wherever possible. The information which you give should be correct, leaving no room for doubt, misinterpretation or misrepresentation. Before making a formal application for Membership, you should procure and read the Society's Constitution, which you can obtain from your sponsors or at [www.sipes.org](http://www.sipes.org). Failure to inform yourself on these instruments will in no way excuse you from compliance with the requirements. We further ask that you read the affidavit on this page before you fill in this form.

- The Board of Directors

### PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS ON PAGE THREE

To the Board of Directors, Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists:

I hereby make application for Membership in the Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists. I submit the statements in this application for your information and consideration.

### AFFIDAVIT

In affixing my signature to this application, I warrant that all statements made by me are true and correct, and further I affirm that I have read the Constitution of the Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists and that I subscribe to and will abide by it and all the provisions therein as now in effect, or hereafter amended, and that any untrue or incorrect statements made by me in this application, or my failure to abide by the Constitution shall be sufficient grounds for my suspension or expulsion and revocation of my certification from the Society, as may be determined and directed by the Board of Directors. In the event such action is taken, I agree to return immediately the Society's Certificate.

It is my understanding that said Constitution as now existing or as it may be amended hereafter shall be the sole measure of my rights and privileges in the Society.

I hereby agree that admission to the Society of Independent Professional Earth Scientists shall be granted or refused at the sole discretion of the Membership Committee, and I further agree that, in the event Membership is not granted to me, or if granted and I am later censured, suspended or expelled by the Board of Directors, as provided for in Article 3, Section 7 of the Constitution, I will make no claim against the Society, its Board of Directors or any individual member.

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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed)

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### NAMES OF SPONSORS

### OR

### RECIPROCAL MEMBERSHIP

X \_\_\_\_\_  
(Sponsor Name Typed or Printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIPES No.

DPA CPG No. \_\_\_\_\_

SPEE Member No. \_\_\_\_\_

X \_\_\_\_\_  
(Sponsor Name Typed or Printed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIPES No.

X \_\_\_\_\_  
(Sponsor Name Typed or Printed)

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SIPES No.

Applicant: When you have completed this form and the affidavit is signed, please return to the local chapter membership chairperson, or to the National office if At Large.

PLEASE SEND MAIL TO MY (check one):  Home  Business

Print your name below as you would like it to appear on your membership certificate:

Business: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip) (Phone)

Home: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip) (Phone)

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Spouse \_\_\_\_\_  
Profession \_\_\_\_\_ Specialty \_\_\_\_\_

Sole Proprietor \_\_\_\_\_ Partner \_\_\_\_\_ Corporate Officer \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security Paid By \_\_\_\_\_  
Consulting \_\_\_\_\_ Non-consulting \_\_\_\_\_ Both \_\_\_\_\_ Petroleum \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
Exploration \_\_\_\_\_ Development \_\_\_\_\_ Appraisal \_\_\_\_\_ Operations \_\_\_\_\_ Research \_\_\_\_\_ Management \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Qualifications: List other earth science disciplines of competence and areas worked: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

### **DETAILED STATEMENT OF COLLEGE WORK**

From (Year)	To (Year)	College or University	Major (Specific Earth Science)	Degrees Received	Date

### **RECORD OF EXPERIENCE**

From (Year)	To (Year)	Company	Description of Your Work Including Title of Position

INDEPENDENT SINCE \_\_\_\_\_ (Year) *Required for Full Membership application*

### **PROFESSIONAL AND SCIENTIFIC AFFILIATIONS**

Name other scientific societies to which you belong, stating grade of membership and office held, and honors received from these societies. List any certification(s). If you are a licensed professional, give state(s) and license number(s).

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### **PUBLICATIONS**

State title of any published articles, books, etc. of which you are the author. Even if unpublished, give title and synopsis of your college thesis. If your bibliography is long, you may list titles of your major works and list groups of general subjects of others. You do not need to list all publications.

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For office use only:

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**LOCAL MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE COMMENTS**

SPONSORS 1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_ 3 \_\_\_\_\_  
AFFIDAVIT \_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURES \_\_\_\_\_  
APPLICATION \_\_\_\_\_  
PHOTO (digital) \_\_\_\_\_

RECOMMEDATION:  
\_\_\_\_\_ FURTHER INVESTIGATION  
\_\_\_\_\_ APPROVAL  
\_\_\_\_\_ REJECTION

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chair, Local Membership Committee

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**NATIONAL COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP COMMENTS**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date received

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chair, National Membership Committee

RECOMMENDATION:  
\_\_\_\_\_ FURTHER INVESTIGATION      \_\_\_\_\_ APPROVED      \_\_\_\_\_ REJECTED

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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE APPLICATION**

**PRIMARY SPONSOR**

1. In addition to the data on the education and experience of the applicant, the form requires three sponsors. For applicants in SIPES Chapter states, sponsors must be current SIPES Full Members. For applicants of At Large membership, three letters of recommendation from professional colleagues are required. Sponsors are not required if the applicant is currently a member in good standing of the DPA of the AAPG or a member of SPEE. This should be noted on the front page.
2. The applicant’s profession (on page 2) must be shown as an earth scientist, e.g. Geophysicist, Petroleum Engineer.
3. A photograph of the applicant is requested. Send a digital photo to sipes@sipes.org.
4. The completed application should be given to the local membership chairman. If there is no local chapter (applying for At-Large membership), please email the application to the SIPES National office at sipes@sipes.org.
5. Fees and dues are to be paid only upon notification by the SIPES Treasurer. DO NOT SEND ANY FUNDS WITH THE APPLICATION.
6. If any questions require more space for answers, please attach another sheet with those answers to the application.
7. Please remember to indicate who pays your social security taxes.

**SPONSORS**

1. Sponsors’ signatures are required on the sponsor form, with their seal imprints affixed to the form.
2. Sponsors should mail or deliver their completed sponsor forms to the primary sponsor or local membership chair.

**MEMBERSHIP ACCEPTANCE**

Each applicant is considered by the Board of Directors Membership Committee. If approved, notice of election to the Membership will be mailed, along with a statement for the initiation fee and National dues. Each new member will receive a membership certificate. Full members will receive a seal with their name and membership number.



## SPONSORSHIP FORM FOR MEMBERSHIP

### SOCIETY OF INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL EARTH SCIENTISTS

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Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

#### INSTRUCTIONS TO SPONSORS

1. Sponsor's signature and seal are required on this form.
2. Primary sponsor should mail or deliver completed sponsor forms to the Chapter Membership Chairperson. If the applicant is from an area without a chapter, mail or email the form to the SIPES National Office.
3. Sponsors must provide complete information to help the board determine the applicant's eligibility.

#### POINTS TO CONSIDER

1. You must have known the applicant for at least one year.
2. Candidates for Membership must:
  - A. Be engaged in the business of earth sciences or engineering.
  - B. Have freedom of choice in selection of clients (*Full Members only*).
  - C. Applicants for Full or Limited Membership should have 12 years of experience in the earth sciences. Credit is given for time spent in earning degrees from accredited colleges or universities, per Article 2, Section 2 of the Bylaws: Four years for a Bachelor's degree; two years for a Master's degree; and two years for a Doctorate in science or engineering, and one year for each year of work experience not running concurrently with university studies.
  - D. Applicants for Junior Membership should have at least eight (8) years of experience.
1. How long have you know the applicant?
2. What relationship have you had with the applicant to enable you to judge his/her abilities and qualifications?
3. Give a brief but specific statement on the professional experience of the applicant.
4. Give a brief statement regarding the character and professional conduct of the applicant.
5. Provide any further information which may bear on the acceptance of the applicant.

**6. DOES THE APPLICANT HAVE FREEDOM OF CHOICE OF CLIENTS? \_\_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO**

Name of Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print or type)

Signature of Sponsor \_\_\_\_\_ SIPES No. \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsor:  
affix  
SIPES  
seal