9TH NATIONAL SMALL BUSINESS CONFERENCE

“ACCELERATE YOUR GROWTH IN TODAY’S CONTRACTING CLIMATE”

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

➤ Kathleen P. Sridhar Small Business Executive of the Year Award Presentation

➤ 2011 Small Business Success Story Award Winner

➤ Mr. Andre Gudger, Director, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Office of Small Business Programs

➤ Mr. Jaymie Durnan, Senior Advisor to the Principal Deputy, Assistant Secretary of Defense

➤ Mr. Michael Chodos, Associate Administrator for the Office of Entrepreneurial Development, U.S. Small Business Administration

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JUNE 20-21, 2012
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TUESDAY JUNE 19, 2012

12:00 pm - 5:00 pm  CONFERENCE REGISTRATION OPEN
  ▶ Registration will be at the Donald E. Stephens Convention Center
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm  EXHIBIT SETUP

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 2012

7:00 am - 7:00 pm  REGISTRATION OPEN
7:00 am - 7:00 pm  EXHIBIT HALL OPEN
7:00 am - 8:00 am  NETWORKING BREAKFAST
  Located in the Exhibit Hall
8:00 am - 8:30 am  WELCOME AND ADMINISTRATIVE REMARKS
  ▶ Lt Gen Larry Farrell, Jr., USAF (Ret), President and CEO, NDIA
  ▶ Ms. ML Mackey, Chair, Legislative Committee, NDIA; CEO, Beacon Interactive Systems
  ▶ Ms. Megan McKinney, Conference Chair; Business Development Manager, SupplyCore
8:30 am - 9:15 am  LEGISLATIVE PANEL
  ▶ Hon. Bobby Schilling, Congressman, 17th District of Illinois
  ▶ Ms. ML Mackey, Chair, Legislative Committee, NDIA; CEO, Beacon Interactive Systems
  ▶ Mr. Pete Steffes, Vice President of Legislative Affairs, NDIA
9:15 am - 9:45 am  DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY SMALL BUSINESS
  ▶ Ms. Trish Culbreth, Small Business Specialist, Office of Small Business Programs, Defense Logistics Agency
9:45 am - 10:15 am  NETWORKING BREAK
  Located in the Exhibit Hall
10:15 am - 11:00 am  U.S. AIR FORCE MATIERIAL COMMAND
  ▶ Ms. Carol White, Director, Small Business Program, U.S. Air Force Materiel Command
11:00 am - 11:45 am  SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
  ▶ Mr. Michael Chodos, Associate Administrator for the Office of Entrepreneurial Development, U.S. Small Business Administration
11:45 am - 1:15 pm  NETWORKING LUNCHION
  ▶ 2011 Small Business Success Story Award Presentation
  ▶ Presented by Ms. Shauna Burrows, Business Development Manager, ORBIS, Inc.
1:30 pm - 2:00 pm  DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 20, 2012 CONTINUED

2:00 pm - 2:45 pm  PROCUREMENT PANEL
Moderator:
» Ms. Aina Vilumsons, Executive Director, Wisconsin Institute / WPI
Panelists:
» Ms. Dianne Wheeler, Small Business Specialist, U.S. Army Sustainment Command
» Ms. Maureen Cruz, Business Services Specialist, GSA Federal Acquisition Service
» Ms. Priscilla Abeyta-Perez, Deputy for Small Business, Army Corps of Engineers

2:45 pm - 3:15 pm  NETWORKING BREAK
Located in the Exhibit Hall

3:15 pm - 4:00 pm  DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE SMALL BUSINESS
» Mr. Andre Gudger, Director, Office of the Secretary of Defense, Office of Small Business Programs

4:00 pm - 4:45 pm  MID TIER ADVOCACY
» Ms. Tonya Speed, Principal, Washington Premier Consulting, LLC

4:45 pm - 5:30 pm  HOW EXPORT CONTROL REFORM WILL AFFECT SMALL BUSINESS DEFENSE CONTRACTORS
Panelists:
» Mr. Stephen Hall, Senior Policy Analyst, Office of Exporter Services, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce
» Ms. Mary Quach, Export Compliance Specialist, Munitions Control Division, Bureau of Industry and Security, U.S. Department of Commerce

5:30 pm - 7:00 pm  NETWORKING RECEPTION
Located in the Exhibit Hall
Hosted by the Great Lakes Chapter

THANK YOU TO OUR CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

Chair, NDIA Small Business Division:
» Ms. Linda Hillmer, President & CEO, Hillmer, Inc.

Conference Chair:
» Ms. Megan McKinney, Business Development Manager, SupplyCore, Inc.

Committee Members:
» Mr. William Capelle, Director of Business Development, VAL-FAB, Inc.
» Mr. Paul Darley, President & CEO, W.S. Darley and Company
» Mr. Richard Deschauer, Director of Contracts & Compliances, DRS Power & Control Technologies, Inc.
» Ms. Patty Jelen, Marketing Manager, Navistar Defense, LLC
» Mr. Dain Sundstedt, Marketing Specialist, SupplyCore, Inc.
» Ms. Ally Veres, Government Sales Division, AEG
» Ms. Aina Vilumsons, Executive Director, Wisconsin Procurement Institute
THURSDAY, JUNE 21, 2012

7:00 am - 5:00 pm  REGISTRATION OPEN

7:00 am - 2:45 pm  EXHIBIT HALL OPEN

7:00 am - 8:00 am  NETWORKING BREAKFAST
Located in the Exhibit Hall

8:00 am - 8:30 am  OPENING REMARKS
Ms. Megan McKinney, Conference Chair; Business Development Manager, SupplyCore

8:30 am - 9:15 am  NAVY 2012-2013 OUTLOOK
Captain Randall Lynch, USN, Commanding Officer, Naval Station Great Lakes

9:15 am - 10:00 am  ASC & EAGLE
Mr. Craig Behne, Deputy Director for Field Support, U.S. Army Sustainment Command

10:00 am - 10:30 am  NETWORKING BREAK
Located in the Exhibit Hall

10:30 am - 11:15 am  R&E WITH DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Mr. Jaymie Durnan, Senior Advisor to the Principal Deputy, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Engineering

11:15 am - 12:15 pm  CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS
See pages 6-7 for breakout descriptions

PTAC PANEL
Ms. Vicky Miller, Director, Illinois Procurement Technical Assistance Center, Black Hawk College
Ms. Aina Vilumsons, Executive Director, Wisconsin Procurement Institute
Mr. Marc Violante, Director, Illinois Procurement Technical Assistance Center (T-302), College of Lake County
Ms. Beth White, Government Contracting Specialist, Iowa State University Extension and Outreach, CIRAS

GSA - GETTING ON A SCHEDULE
Dr. Ann Kalayil, Regional Administrator, General Service’s Administration

STRENGTHEN YOUR BRAND BY STRENGTHENING YOUR STORY
Ms. Janet Chihocky, President and CEO, Janson Communications

12:15 pm - 1:45 pm  NETWORKING LUNCHEON
Kathleen P. Sridhar Small Business Executive of the Year Award presentation
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HOW TO DO BUSINESS WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
▷ Ms. Kathy Granger, Small Business Specialist, Office of Small Business Programs
   U.S. Army Sustainment Command & Joint Munitions Command

JOINT VENTURES AS A MAXIMUM WIN STRATEGY
▷ Mr. Jerry Miles, Attorney, Shulman Rogers

CAPITALIZING ON THE RULE OF TWO AND OTHER SET-ASIDE BUSINESS STRATEGIES
▷ Mr. Bill Hughes, Attorney, Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek S.C.

2:45 pm - 3:15 pm  NETWORKING BREAK
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MANUFACTURING SUPPLY CHAIN PANEL
Moderator:
▷ Mr. Jerry Kroon, Board of Directors, Thomas James International
Panelists:
▷ Ms. Jennifer Moll, President, Miller-Holzwarth, Inc.
▷ Ms. Laurie Moncrieff, President, Adaptative Manufacturing Solutions
▷ Mr. Chuck Muizers, Chief Strategy Officer, Skylla Engineering, Ltd
▷ Mr. Peter Provenzano, President and CEO, SupplyCore, Inc.

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT
▷ Mr. Brent Paris, Co-owner, BID Designs

“MY PROPOSAL HAS BEEN REJECTED! MY AWARD HAS BEEN PROTESTED! WHAT DO I DO?” HOW TO HANDLE PROTESTS IN THE CURRENT ENVIRONMENT, WITH A LEADING EXPERT ANSWERING QUESTIONS
▷ Mr. Ron Perlman, Attorney, Holland & Knight, LLP

4:15 pm  CONFERENCE CONCLUDES
BREAKOUT DESCRIPTIONS

THURSDAY JUNE 21, 2012
11:15 AM - 12:15 PM

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Room 24
GSA - GETTING ON A SCHEDULE
Dr. Ann Kalayil, Regional Administrator, General Services Administration
Dr. Kalayil is going to give an overview of what GSA is and how they do business. She is also going to discuss the how to get on the GSA Schedule. In addition, she will speak to some of the business lines that may interest the National Defense Industrial Association Small Businesses such as: Global Supply and GSAs Defense and Military schedules.

Room 23
STRENGTHEN YOUR BRAND BY STRENGTHENING YOUR STORY
Ms. Janet Chihocky, President and CEO, Janson Communications
Ms. Chihocky will offer insights to help you communicate your strategic vision and priorities so stakeholders embrace the relevance, promise, and value of your message. Janet will help you think through the framework for driving awareness and customer connectivity.

1:45 PM - 2:45 PM

Room 25
HOW TO DO BUSINESS WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT
Ms. Kathy Granger, Small Business Specialist, Office of Small Business Programs, U.S. Army Sustainment Command & Joint Munitions
How to do business with the federal government, with a highlight on business opportunities with the Army Sustainment Command, Joint Munitions Command, and the Army Contracting Command-Rock Island customers.

Room 24
JOINT VENTURES AS A MAXIMUM WIN STRATEGY
Mr. Jerry Miles, Attorney, Shulman Rogers
Joint ventures are teaming arrangements that help small businesses leverage relationships with and resources of strategic partners to become more competitive for larger bids and to tap into new markets. It is critical for all contractors to understand the circumstances under which joint ventures can be a viable strategy for winning bids when competing with contractors who only utilize the prime-subcontractor form of teaming arrangement. This discussion will show you how to use joint ventures as a strategy for pursuing ongoing opportunities with small, midsize, and large companies and how to avoid common pitfalls in structuring joint venture teams.
BREAKOUT DESCRIPTIONS

1:45 PM - 2:45 PM CONTINUED

**Room 23**

**CAPITALIZING ON THE RULE OF TWO AND OTHER SET-ASIDE BUSINESS STRATEGIES**

*Mr. Bill Hughes, Attorney, Whyte Hirschboeck Dudek SC*

The federal government provides many opportunities for small businesses to receive contracts on a preferred or set-aside basis without competing with large businesses for award. Understanding how to maximize and take advantage of these opportunities is critical for small businesses. This session will provide information regarding eligibility requirements for various set-aside programs, including set-asides for small businesses, disadvantaged businesses, woman-owned businesses, and service-disabled veteran-owned small business concerns. SBA size standards and affiliation rules, particularly relating to joint ventures will be addressed, along with essential information regarding ownership and control requirements. The focus of the session will be on successful strategies for having procurements set aside, pursuing set-aside awards and filing or defending against size-status protests.

3:15 PM - 4:15 PM

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**BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

*Mr. Brent Paris, Co-owner, BID Designs*

Business development for government contractors begins well before the RFP is released and a proposal is developed. The most significant wins for companies are a result of solid strategy development and implementation crafted for the specific solicitation – focused on the customer’s needs. A strategically marketed and developed proposal will stand out from the competition, increasing your win probability.

This session, designed specifically for small businesses, will provide the fundamentals for identifying, pursuing, and winning more government contracts. Attendees will leave empowered to immediately put these fundamentals in motion, helping their companies devise winning strategies to increase their bottom line.

**Room 23**

**“MY PROPOSAL HAS BEEN REJECTED! MY AWARD HAS BEEN PROTESTED! WHAT DO I DO?” HOW TO HANDLE PROTESTS IN THE CURRENT ENVIRONMENT, WITH A LEADING EXPERT ANSWERING QUESTIONS**

*Mr. Ron Perlman, Attorney, Holland & Knight, LLP*

In the current Federal Government Contracting environment, protests are a fact of life. Size protests, protests against improper evaluations, protests against Low Price Technically Acceptable awards, etc. In the break-out session planned, Ron Perlman (one of the leading Government Contract attorneys, will deal with situations involving these situations, providing both industry practical and legal information, both strategic and tactical. This session will be of value to anyone involved in the contract proposal or award process.
## EXHIBIT HALL

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