

An Invitation . . .

*to carry on the tradition & legacy
of the FBI Family*



**Society of Former Special Agents
of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Inc.**

**ASSOCIATE
MEMBER**



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Society is to promote the welfare of its members, preserve the friendships and loyalties achieved while Special Agents of the FBI and to support the FBI and law enforcement as positive forces in American society.

Benefits of Associate Membership

- *the Grapevine* is our magazine that is published monthly. It provides news to Society members about members in the spirit of friendship, loyalty and goodwill.
- Members-only Online Community is a robust interactive web based tool to access and promote networking within the membership.
- The Career Center is part of the online community offering employers opportunities to post available positions within their companies to former FBI agents.
- Local Chapter Membership.
- Regional Conferences offer social and fraternal congregations open to all members of a region and Society members in general.
- Annual conventions are the one occasion each year when all members, their spouses, and special guests are given an opportunity to gather for several purposes: fraternal, educational and official business. The Society has held an annual convention since 1954.
- Former Agents of the FBI Foundation is the charitable arm of the Society.
- Society projects such as the Oral History Program which is designed to develop, preserve, and widely disseminate an oral history of the Federal Bureau of Investigation for use by journalists, scholars, documentary productions, and the interested public. Our Oral History Program puts a human face on FBI history and delivers a more accurate picture of the FBI than has previously been available.
- Transition to regular membership upon retirement or resignation from the FBI.

The Society's Formation

The Society began in February 1937 at the Lincoln Hotel in New York City. A small group of young former FBI Agents met to discuss the preservation of their friendships formed during Bureau service and in June of 1937, The Society of Former Special Agents of the FBI was formed. From the beginning to the present, the Society has afforded a social and fraternal function for its members and has focused on two primary objectives: 1) to help each member of the Society, and 2) to aid and support the FBI from which stemmed our common backgrounds.

Gradually, the Society spread across the country and today is divided into seven geographic regions and more than 130 Chapters. The National Board of Directors is elected by the membership and includes the President, President-Elect, Secretary, Treasurer, Foundation Chairman, three Members-at-Large, and seven Regional Vice-Presidents.

The Society's Heritage

The J. Edgar Hoover Physical Memorial at FBI Headquarters and the annual Living Memorial Scholarship program give testament to the mutual interests and pride in service of active and former Agents. The Hall of Honor at the FBI Academy, Quantico, VA, a jointly sponsored project of the FBI and the Society, was formally dedicated on November 10, 1987. The Hall symbolizes the success of “the FBI family” — leadership, devotion to duty and genuine caring for each other. The dedicatory plaque defines the threefold purpose: “Dedicated to all the men and women who are serving and all who have previously served in the FBI — to the Special Agents who gave their lives honoring their commitment — and to the Directors whose honor, dignity and sacrifice inspire us all.”

Society Support of the FBI

At each of the annual National Conventions, the FBI Director presents a main address and joins the Society President in presenting the Louis Peters Memorial Award to recognize a civilian chosen by the FBI for their outstanding contributions to an FBI investigation. In 2000, the Society initiated the William Webster Award to recognize and honor an active FBI Special Agent for outstanding civic activities and contributions.

The Society is a vital member of “the FBI family” and its members have assumed important roles in our nation’s communities. The status of the Society in American history was noted by President Ronald Reagan’s comment in connection with the Society’s 50th Anniversary, celebrated at the Dallas, Texas convention in October 1987:

“Your gathering cannot help but call to mind your tremendous contributions to the safety and well-being of every American. Your service and sacrifice in the line of duty — your vigilance and your quiet heroism — bespeak of a love of country that time will never efface. You have justly won the lasting esteem and gratitude of the American people.”

Application



Name of Applicant: _____
First MI Last

Birth Date: ____ / ____ / ____ Name of Spouse: _____

Home Address: _____
Street Address

City State Zip Code

Home Email: _____ Home Phone: () _____

Business Phone: () _____ Cell Phone: () _____

Current Division: _____ EOD: ____ / ____ / ____

Society of Former Special Agents Chapter Affiliation: _____

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Note: This Associate Membership Application MUST be accompanied by a check or credit card payment in the amount of \$67.50. This includes the application fee of \$25.00 plus annual dues of \$42.50.

Amount \$ _____

Date: _____

Number: _____

Society Use Only

Type of Card: Visa ___ MasterCard ___ Discover ___ 3-Digit VID ___ ___

Expiration Date: _____

Account # _____

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Billing Address: _____

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