

TOGETHER: MAKING A DIFFERENCE

What is NMBA BankPac?

NMBA BankPac is a statewide, non-partisan Political Action Committee (PAC) organized by members of the New Mexico Bankers Association to benefit the entire banking industry through political contributions to state and federal candidates.

NMBA BankPac was organized to provide financial support for the political committees and campaigns of candidates for the New Mexico State Legislature and candidates for U.S. Congress, whose views and positions on banking issues are compatible with the interests of our industry. Today's NMBA BankPac provides the lawful means by which bank officers, directors and stockholders can increase their political impact through a united, collective effort in support of sound legislators and legislation.

Why Should I Contribute?

No industry faces the regulation and legislation that banking does. Every year, state legislators and members of Congress spend months in Santa Fe and Washington, DC considering proposed legislation. Thousands of these bills affect banking. NMBA's involvement in the legislative process provides you with a direct link to the decision and policy makers in your government.

Without a well-funded PAC, our voice in government will be weakened, and we could find ourselves competing in tomorrow's marketplace with more restrictions and less opportunities. That's why all of us in banking need a strong BankPac to help us support candidates who believe in our right to compete on an equal basis in the financial marketplace.

DO IT TODAY!

Don't Our NMBA Dues Pay For This?

No! All political contributions must be made voluntarily by bank directors, officers and stockholders. It is up to you!

Do NMBA BankPac Funds Support Both State and Federal Candidates?

Yes. NMBA BankPac supports New Mexico State Legislative candidates and U.S. Congressional candidates from New Mexico who are pro-banking.

How Are Candidates Selected?

Candidates, regardless of party affiliation, must be the clear choice of the banking industry in his or her district. They may be incumbents or challengers. For incumbents, voting records, committee assignments and general attitude towards banking are important considerations.

Can Individual Bank Officers, Directors and Stockholders Make Personal Contributions?

Yes. Our most useful contribution is the personal contribution because it may be allocated to either state or federal PAC. Corporate contributions cannot be used for the federal PAC. All individuals may specify whether they want their personal contributions to go to state or federal candidates from New Mexico.

Simply fill out the attached form and enclose your personal check. The amount you give us is up to you, but please be generous. Help us support those candidates who believe in your free right to compete in the financial marketplace.

Personal/Corporate Contribution

Please make check payable to and mail form and your contribution to:

NMBA BankPac
c/o New Mexico Bankers Association
316 Osuna NE, Suite 502
Albuquerque, NM 87107

Name: _____

Title: _____

Bank: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip _____

Occupation: _____

Signature: _____

Allocation Preference:

- Fund for New Mexico State Office Candidates
- Fund for New Mexico U.S. Congressional Candidates
- Undesignated: I intend my contribution to be used at the full discretion of NMBA BankPac.

**ALL CORPORATE CONTRIBUTIONS
MUST BE ALLOCATED TO
STATE LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATES.**

**NATIONAL BANKS MAY NOT MAKE
CORPORATE CONTRIBUTIONS.**

Can A State Bank Make A Corporate Contribution to NMBA BankPac?

Yes. NMBA BankPac encourages corporate contributions. However, corporate contributions can only be allocated to state or local candidates. **National banks are prohibited from making corporate contributions for any political purpose.**

Can A Bank Holding Company Make A Corporate Contribution?

Yes. Bank holding companies, regardless of how their subsidiary banks are chartered, can legally make corporate contributions. However, corporate contributions can only be allocated to state or local candidates.

When Should I Give To NMBA BankPac?

Now! NMBA BankPac accepts contributions at any time, but early contributions allow us to plan the most effective means of disbursements. In off-election years, we collect funds needed for primaries and for election years. What we are really talking about is a cyclical process. Please join us in pledging financial support to NMBA BankPac.

Should I Contribute to NMBA BankPac Instead Of To My Local Candidates?

A contribution to NMBA BankPac does not limit your ability to contribute to your local candidates. But, BankPac can and does become involved in a majority of the legislative races. Your contribution to NMBA BankPac will support the entire banking industry. Our strength is in our numbers. BankPac contributions have a greater impact on the candidates who recognize they are being supported by many people with common interests. NMBA BankPac is an important link to NMBA's legislative programs, providing financial support to candidates who support our views and are interested in our concerns as an industry.

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(Federal regulations require this notice).
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&
Stockholders

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