

AzBA PAC

Political Action Committee for the Arizona Banking Industry



What is the AzBA PAC?

The Association formed the AzBA PAC to support federal and state candidates who are industry friendly. The PAC is administered by the staff of the AzBA in close collaboration with the AzBA PAC board of directors. Every dollar contributed goes directly to support federal and state candidates.

Why are PACs important?

PACs are an avenue of civic participation that allows voters to pool their contributions to support candidates with similar political objectives. Virtually every trade association, industry and economic interest in the United States has a PAC. With election costs increasing with each cycle, many state and federal legislative candidates rely on PACs for campaign funds. The most productive industries effectively combine a strong trade association and a solid grass roots program with a well-financed and carefully directed PAC.

Where does the money go?

AzBA PAC supports the election campaigns of individuals who share banking's legislative goals; and who are willing to listen to and address our concerns. Contributions are made to both federal and state candidates, Republicans, Democrats and Independents. A PAC is limited to the amount it can give to any particular candidate. AzBA PAC may contribute no more than \$5,000 to a federal candidate and \$5,200 to a state candidate per election cycle.

Who makes the decisions about contributions?

The Arizona Banker's Association's Board of Directors and the AzBA PAC Board Committee review and approve all contributions made by the AzBA PAC. They review matters of legislative pertinence, review the activities of AzBA PAC and direct contributions to candidates.

Who may contribute?

Corporations and organizations are prohibited from making contributions directly to political candidates, but the Federal Election Campaign Act permits the formation of political action committees (PACs) which may make contributions to candidates. Directors, stockholders, executive, administrative and exempt personnel of AzBA members may contribute to AzBA PAC. AzBA PAC solicitation of persons affiliated with a member may not be initiated without the written authorization of the CEO. (The PAC may receive no more than \$5,000 per year in personal contributions from any contributor.)

How do I contribute?

Contributions may be made through personal checks, cashier's checks, and payroll deduction. If the bank elects to offer payroll deduction, the employee can contribute each pay period. A Payroll Deduction Form must be completed and returned to AzBA PAC. Payroll deductions must be submitted within 10 days of each pay period with a list of all contributors and the amount of each contribution.

Information Collection Requirement

Federal law requires us to report the name, mailing address, occupation and employer of each individual whose contributions aggregate in excess of \$200 in a calendar year. AzBA PAC contributions are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. All contributions to AzBA PAC are voluntary. Anyone may refuse to contribute without reprisal.

How much should I give?

Your contribution amount is your personal decision. Participation in PAC is completely voluntary. The listed amounts are merely suggestions and you have the right to refuse to participate without fear of reprisal.

The AzBA has established new levels of recognition for bankers and directors who support AzBAPAC. Recognition will come in the form of ribbons and stickers on name tags at AzBA events, and in listings by bank in AzBA publications:

\$300 President's Club

Recommended for AzBA board of directors, bank directors, committee members, and senior bank officers.



\$200 Gold Membership

Recommended for middle managers and branch managers.

\$100 Silver Membership

Recommended for AzBA members, young bankers, and bank support staff.

AzBA PAC 300 Drives

Anyone can contribute to a 300 Drive. Simply contribute \$25 during any AzBA PAC 300 Drive throughout the year.

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CONTRIBUTION FORM

I would like to contribute to AzBA PAC. I have enclosed a personal contribution of \$_____ made payable to AzBA PAC.

I am voluntarily contributing to the AzBA PAC. Prior to my contribution, I am aware of the following:

- AzBA PAC is a political action committee established and operated pursuant to the Federal Election Campaign Act and I understand the purpose of the PAC.
- FEC law allows individuals to contribute a maximum of \$5,000 to the PAC.
- I may refuse to contribute without reprisal.
- Contributions to the PAC are not tax deductible.

Recognition Levels:

- **\$300 President's Club** - recommended for AzBA board of directors, bank directors, committee members and senior bank officers.
- **\$200 Gold Membership** - recommended for middle managers and branch managers.
- **\$100 Silver Membership** - recommended for AzBA members, young bankers and bank support staff.

I hereby authorize my employer, [Name of Employer], to pay the following AzBA PAC contribution through payroll deduction:

Please provide the following information for reporting purposes:

Name: _____

Title: _____

Employer: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

E-mail address: _____

Please return this form with your personal contribution to:

AzBA PAC
111. W. Monroe St. Suite 440
Phoenix, AZ 85003

Please contact **Kerensa Williams** at (602) 258-1200 or pac@azbankers.org if you have any questions regarding the AzBA PAC Campaign

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Monthly Auto Payment Through AzBA

Amount

\$500 \$250 \$100

\$50 \$25 \$10

Other Amount

Use the On-Line Donation page to sign up for a monthly payment to AzBA PAC.

Donate On-Line: <https://azbankers.org/pac>

Monthly Donation

I would like to donate this amount every month

-OR-

PAYROLL DEDUCTION FORM

Employee Name: _____

Employer: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

E-mail Address: _____

I hereby authorize my employer, _____, to pay the following AzBA PAC contribution through payroll deduction:

- \$50 \$30
 \$25 \$20
 \$15 \$10 Per Pay Period
 \$6 \$3
 \$ _____

Total Pledge Amount
\$ _____

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Signed: _____ Date: _____

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