

# OUR DIVISIONS

## Executive Committee

The executive committee will continue to work with its committee members to address fronting issues such as accountability, transparency and anti-corruption.

## Chamber Institute

The Chamber Institute empowers the country's workforce (through industry training) to power our businesses. We encourage the implementation of industry-driven certification programs within each industry and association and establish grades and standards for all to follow, while developing vocational training programs that will produce productive, proud members of society.

## Communications, Planning & Membership Services

The Bahamas Chamber of Commerce and Employers Confederation (BCCEC) functions primarily through its Standing Committees which parallel the areas of responsibility of the Government Ministries. The Committees meet regularly to discuss problems and general matters of concern within their scope of reference.

## Ease of Doing Business & SME Development

To promote the growth of small and medium enterprises through the mentor ship program and venture fund. To provide SME with the knowledge base through the Chamber Institute and HR Help Desks they require to be successful in a competitive environment.

## Employment, Labor & Skills Development

The Employment and Labor Division works to foster strong relations with labor and encourage continued employee training and development. Strong ties between employment and labor are key to business success as one is the driver and the other the engine of the economy.

## Social Programme Reform

Works to improve the quality, process and methods of collecting trade related data.

## Trade, Foreign & Domestic Economic Development

This Division recognizes the necessity of attracting new businesses and industries to Bahamian shores. It works to develop ties and network with foreign Chambers in areas like South America and Indo-Asia to explore opportunities in areas such as lite manufacturing, trading centers, commercial banking, logistics and trans-shipment.

## Energy & the Environment

Energy reform is one of the single largest priority areas that the country is facing and the Chamber takes the urgency of this quite seriously. With energy costs at current levels, The Bahamas is not competitive as a nation. The ability to grow The Bahamas' economy is severely stunted by energy costs. The environment remains a serious concern due to the massive pressures that large-scale development puts in small island chains.

## Policy, Regulation & Commercial Dispute Settlement

The Policy & Regulatory Division recommends policy and regulations that will drive businesses and the economy forward. We must work to create an environment that attracts business to The Bahamas and allows businesses to grow and flourish on a regional and global level

## Fundraising

The objective of the Division is to manage the fiscal affairs of the BCCEC and to promote any and all revenue streams available to ensure the BCCEC is sustainable and accountable. The Finance Division will also work with the PR and Marketing and Trade and Economic Development Divisions, in order to provide advice to the Government on ways to improve the overall fiscal and monetary policy of The Bahamas.

## Family Island Development

The Family Islands Division is charged with bringing the Family Island Chambers and businesses into the BCCEC in an effort to unite common concerns and objectives of the country into one voice and set of objectives.

# MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS

- Career Development and Training
- Special events and discount opportunities
- Business Counselling
- Leadership Opportunities
- Networking Benefits
- Sponsorship and promotions
- Advertising Opportunities
- Business Counselling
- Partnerships
- Participation in conference, seminars and workshops
- Contribution to national dialogue and legislative interests

# FEE SCHEDULE

Member Type	No. of Employees	Votes	Fee
Individual	1	N/A	\$215.00
Class A	2-10	1	\$392.37
Class B	11-25	2	\$645.00
Class C	26-50	3	\$1,075.00
Class D	51-100	4	\$1,612.00
Class E	101-250	6	\$2,150.00
Class F	251-	8	\$3,225.00
Services Clubs	N/A	0	\$161.25
Non-Profit Org	N/A	0	\$392.37
Associations	N/A	6	\$2687.50

VAT Included

# JOIN THE CHAMBER

Name of Business Owner / Contact Person \* .....

Name of Type of Business .....

No. of Employees .....

Business / Individual's Address .....

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Telephone (work) ..... Telephone (mobile) .....

Email .....

Website .....

Date of Registration / Incorporation .....

Business License No .....

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What are your top 3 business needs? .....

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Are you interested in serving on a Committee?  Yes  No

## Please tick your area of interest:

- Chamber Institute
- Communications, Planning & Membership Services
- Ease of Doing Business & SME Development
- Employment, Labor & Skills Development
- Social Programme Reform
- Trade, Foreign & Domestic Economic Development
- Energy & Environment
- Policy, Regulation & Commercial Dispute Settlement
- Fundraising
- Family Island Development

Signature  Date

\*Member firms are encouraged to nominate senior/management level voting and associate representatives.