# **Our History**

For over 200 years, the Bahamas Chamber of Commerce has promoted the commercial interests of the private business sector in the Bahamas. In 2011, the Bahamas Chamber of Commerce and The Bahamas Employers' Confederation amalgamated to form The Bahamas Chamber of Commerce and Employers' Confederation (BCCEC). Today the BCCEC is a Non-Government, Not-for-Profit, Business Member Organization that represents the interest of the private business sector and employers in The Bahamas. The amalgamation of the two entities has enabled the BCCEC to more effectively advocate for national policies that drive the socioeconomic climate of The Bahamas while encouraging the development of the business environment in the country.

The BCCEC works to stimulate and sustain the country's economic growth by providing a platform where members can engage in constructive dialog with the policymakers and the community activist to build a strong, sustainable, healthy, and robust economy. Though the islands that form our archipelago are unique, they encounter both common and island-specific challenges. For that reason, the BCCEC network of chambers consists of seven (7) Chambers of Commerce across The Bahamas. Through its working committees and the island-based Chambers of Commerce, BCCEC addresses matters that are of national importance and island-specific issues.

International partnerships are critical to the advancement of the BCCEC's mission. Hence, the BCCEC serves as the International Labour Organization's official representative in The Bahamas and maintains membership in the prestigious International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) and World Chambers Federation (WCF). Additionally, the BCCEC is a member of The International Organization of Employers (IOE), The Caribbean Employers Confederation (CEC), The Caribbean Association of Industry and Commerce (CAIC), and The Associations of Chambers of Commerce Executives (ACCE). Our membership in those organizations allows BCCEC to constantly explore approaches to improving its representation.



Bahamas Chamber of Commerce and Employers' Confederation

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## BAHAMAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND EMPLOYERS' CONFEDERATION



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#### **BAHAMAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** AND EMPLOYERS'CONFEDERATION MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

The Bahamas Chamber of Commerce and Employers' Confederation (BCCEC) is a membership-based organization, focused on providing access, advice and advocacy to ensure economic growth, environmental stewardship and business development opportunities to our members.

The BCCEC is governed by a Board of Directors elected by our corporate members. Application for membership to the BCCEC must be approved by the Board, in accordance with the Articles of Incorporation.

All new applications are subject to a one-time, non-refundable application processing fee of \$110.00 (VAT included).

#### **Business Information**

Business Name:	
CEO/Managing Director:	
Business Address:	
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Email Address:	
Website:	
Social Media:	
Business Type:	
Industry/Sector:	
No. of Employees:	
Business License No:	
Registration/Incorporation Date:	

### Additional Contacts

Please provide the names and contact details of persons in your company (Marketing/Public Relations Officer, Human Resource Manager etc.) to receive BCCEC Communications & Monthly Newsletters.

Website: www.thebahamaschamber.com

Name:	<ul> <li>Labor and Employment Committee</li> <li>Membership Committee</li> <li>Small Business Enterprise Committee</li> <li>Training and Professional Development Committee</li> </ul>
Name:	
Title:	
Work Phone:	Signature:
Email Address	Date of Application:

### Why join the BCCEC?

Membership Benefits include:

- Networking opportunities with policymakers, and within public and private sectors.
- Training and workforce development.
- Small and Medium-sized Enterprise (SME) business assistance
- Membership advocacy on industry and national issues.
- · Contribution to the national dialogue and legislative agendas and outcomes.
- Advertising, sponsorship, and promotion opportunities.
- Access to conferences, workshops, seminars, and social events.
- Access to international trade information, tools, opportunities, and trade help desk.

### Annual Membership Fees

All new applications are subject to a one time, non refundable New Membership Application Fee - \$110.00 (VAT included)

<u>CLASS</u>	<u># EMPLOYEES</u>	<u>VOTES</u>	FEE	FEE with + 10% VAT
Individual/Sole Proprietor	N/A	1	\$250	\$275
Service Clubs	N/A	0	\$250	\$275
Class A	2 - 25	2	\$500	\$550
Class B	26 - 100	5	\$1,500	\$1,650
Class C	101 - 250	8	\$3,500	\$3,850
Class D	250 Plus	12	\$4,500	\$4,950
Non-Profit Organization	N/A	None	\$1,000	\$1,100
Professional Associations	N/A	7	\$3,000	\$3,300

Are you currently a client of Access Accelerator Small Business Development Centre (SBDC)?

#### **YES** $\bigcirc$ NO

Are you interested in serving on a BCCEC Committee? If yes, please tick your interest:

⊖ YES	$\bigcirc$ NO	$\bigcirc$ Budget and Finance Committee
		$\bigcirc$ Digital Transformation Committee
		$\bigcirc$ Ease of Doing Business Committee
		$\bigcirc$ Labor and Employment Committee
		$\bigcirc$ Membership Committee
		$\bigcirc$ Small Business Enterprise Committee
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