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- Leader \$500 and above
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## What is the CPA-PAC?

The South Carolina CPA-PAC is a non-partisan committee comprised of CPAs, like you, who support the political voice of the CPA profession. It's an organization of your peers that combines financial resources for greater involvement, impact and results. Formed in 1993, the CPA-PAC invests in state political leadership by contributing funds to state legislators and candidates who support CPA and business interests.

## Your contribution is essential to your profession.

As a CPA, you've felt the impact legislative decisions have on the way business operates and accounting is practiced. Each year, the CPA profession faces increasing challenges at the state level in the form of unwanted and unnecessary regulations.

Investing in state political leadership secures the future of our profession. By providing financial support to candidates and legislators, the CPA profession demonstrates a commitment to pro-business legislative issues.

## Invest today to protect tomorrow.

Your investment will make a difference! The more you donate, the stronger our collective political voice! The CPA-PAC gives the profession:

**Access.** The CPA-PAC gives you a way to invest in and support candidates who have demonstrated a willingness to listen to our views. Access means that you have the opportunity to state your case to a lawmaker who is willing to listen to your views before he or she votes.

**Credibility.** The CPA-PAC gives our profession political clout and credibility. Lawmakers are held accountable for their votes, and the CPA-PAC gives you a way to either support them at election time or support their opponents in the next election.

## We need your support!

### I already pay my SCACPA dues. Isn't that enough?

No! State election laws prohibit the use of membership dollars for contributions to political candidates. Funds for political action committees must be from voluntary contributions raised separately from SCACPA funds.

### I already contributed to the candidate and party of my choice.

Great! You should continue to contribute to the candidates and the party of your choice. However, the CPA-PAC provides you the opportunity to have a statewide impact on the election of candidates who will shape the legislation that affects business and the accounting profession.

## I am philosophically opposed to political action committees.

Reconsider! The legislative process is not like a game of poker, where if you sit out you don't risk losing. If you sit out of the political process, you are virtually guaranteed to lose. The legislative process is a contact sport and the philosophies of those who compete in the process help determine the laws that are enacted. The CPA-PAC gives you, your firm and your profession a competitive edge.

## Deciding which candidates to support.

The CPA-PAC contributes funds to candidates who understand the importance of a sound South Carolina economy and the critical role of the CPA in preserving the state's business climate. Some criteria that guide the CPA-PAC's participation in election campaign include:

- ★ South Carolina candidates for state office only (no federal or local elections)
- ★ Legislators who have demonstrated pro-business philosophies and who understand and support protection of the public interest through maintaining high moral, ethical and professional standards for the accounting profession.
- ★ Members of key committees and leadership in the General Assembly
- ★ If the candidate is a SCACPA member
- ★ SCACPA member recommendations
- ★ Legislators with strong relationships with SCACPA Key Contacts