

THE
Signature
AWARDS 2019

Celebrating the
best in business

1st February 2019

ICC Birmingham,

Broad Street,

Birmingham,

West Midlands B1 2EA

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The Signature Awards will celebrate the best in business and especially those operating in the business to business sector including the professions. The event will shine a spotlight on the work of those business professionals who have provided cutting edge thinking and have driven their organisations forward.

The awards will comprise of a black tie event commencing with a drinks reception followed by a 4 course meal, a keynote speech by a leading business figure and superb entertainment attracting the movers and shakers from the business community from the UK.

The Dinner will be held at the **ICC Birmingham, Broad Street, Birmingham, West Midlands B1 2EA**, and will be attended by 550 of the who's who of the business community.

The awards are designed to celebrate those in the wealth creating process such as entrepreneurs and those who support the business community such as those involved in the professional services. The awards will be limited to business, law, financial services, real estate, entrepreneurs and those involved in promoting the importance of apprenticeships, diversity and inclusivity.

The event will be of interest to those looking to promote their brands to an important section of the service and professional sectors who work within the business to business sector.

CATEGORIES:

1. **Excellence in Finance** (individual)
2. **Excellence in Financial Services** (organisation)
3. **Excellence in Law** (individual)
4. **Excellence in Legal Services** (organisation)
5. **Excellence in Real Estate**
6. **Excellence in the Owner Practice for the Professions**
7. **Promoting Apprenticeships**
8. **Excellence in Diversity and Inclusion**
9. **Business Person of the Year**
10. **Entrepreneur of the Year**
11. **Small Business of the Year**
12. **International / Innovative / Enterprise of the Year**



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To nominate or enter an individual for any award(s), please submit a typed A4 presentation (2,500 words max) giving details of why you believe the specific person or business should be considered for a category. This should provide details of an individual or company success and demonstrate how this relates to the chosen award category.

Guidelines for completing nomination form (2,500 words max)

For categories 1, 3, 5 & 6, please follow the following guidelines:

- List the nominees educational and business professional achievements
- Describe how the nominee has contributed to their industry beyond what would be expected from their daily activities?
- Has the nominee undertaken activities outside of their working hours to contribute to their local community or organisation?
- Finally, in completing the nomination, please articulate why the nominee has proven to be the best in their chosen industry – what makes them a clear achiever?

For categories 2 and 4

1. How has the organisation grown in terms of sales/billing ?
2. How does their product range and service differ from their competitors ?
3. How important is their culture to driving forward innovation and organisation cohesion ?
4. How are employees encouraged to progress and what role do they play in their local community ?

For category: 7 – Excellence in Promoting Apprenticeships

- For the category of Excellence in Promoting Apprenticeships, we are keen to hear from employers who regard the employment of apprenticeships as a key strategic goal for the overall success of their business and how they have integrated apprenticeships into the workplace.

For category 8 – Excellence in Diversity and Inclusion

- Evidence of how an organisation has embraced diversity and inclusion as part of their overall business strategy. The organisation needs to show diversity and inclusion in practice and how their strategy has benefited the organisation and the impact it has had on its bottom line and culture.

For categories 9 – 12

- How has the person / organisation grown its profits and turnover over the last 36 months?
- What contributions do they make to their community?
- What is the future vision / strategy for the organisation?
- How does the nominee / organisation seek to differentiate itself from the competition?

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Your presentation(s) must be accompanied by a completed nomination form. Only one form is required regardless of the number of awards entered.

Each nomination will be judged on its own merit according to resources and successes achieved.

Your completed nomination entry can be emailed to keerat@nachural.co.uk with a copy to narinder.johal@nachural.co.uk or sent by post to:

Nachural, Unit 6, Darlington Street, Wednesbury WS10 7SS.

The closing dates are as follows:

Receipt of completed nomination entries – Sunday, 16th December 2018.

Judging Process

- Judging will take place immediately following the closing date and three finalists will be selected in each category.
- If you are a finalist you will be notified before the presentation evening and be required to be available for filming which will be played on the night of the awards evening.
- Finalists will be required to attend the Signature Awards on 1st February 2018. The winner of each category will be presented with an award on the evening.
- Finalists may also be asked to produce information on business viability, including operating licences where appropriate.

The panel is composed of independent judges and their decision will be considered final.

Detach this form and attach it to your presentation(s).

All entries must be accompanied by this form to be considered for any of the awards.

Closing date for completed nomination entries is Sunday, 16th December 2018 at 11:59pm.

Please complete the form below in full in typed script or clear, legible handwriting in black ink and BLOCK CAPITALS.

Tick below all the award categories for which you wish to be considered:

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Finance (individual) | 7. <input type="checkbox"/> Promoting Apprenticeships |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Financial Services (organisation) | 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Diversity and Inclusion |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Law (individual) | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Business Person of the Year |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Legal Services (organisation) | 10. <input type="checkbox"/> Entrepreneur of the Year |
| 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in Real Estate | 11. <input type="checkbox"/> Small Business of the Year |
| 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Excellence in the Owner Practice for the Professions | 12. <input type="checkbox"/> International / Innovative / Enterprise of the Year |

Entrant/Nominee Details

Name	<input type="text"/>	Job Title	<input type="text"/>
Organisation	<input type="text"/>		
Address	<input type="text"/>		
Town/City	<input type="text"/>		
County	<input type="text"/>	Postcode	<input type="text"/>
Telephone	<input type="text"/>	Facsimile	<input type="text"/>
Email Address	<input type="text"/>		
Link to LinkedIn Profile of nominee (if available)	<input type="text"/>		

Business Details (for all categories with the exception of those applying as individuals)

Type of company: Limited Sole Trader Partnership Other Limited Guarantee

Name of business and brief description of activity

Date trading commenced (all entrants must have been trading for a minimum of 9 months)

Annual Turnover Number of Employees

Has the nominee ever been declared bankrupt or had civil proceeding taken against them? Yes No

If yes, please give details including county court judgments.

Credit checks will be made on all applicant organisations.

Nomination form 2

Additional Information

Has the nominee ever been convicted of a criminal offence?

Yes

No

If yes, then please give details.

Declaration (to be signed by the person completing this form)

I hereby certify that the information given in this entry form is correct. I agree to this business being nominated for this/these award(s), and its name used in any subsequent publicity.

Name

Relationship to entrant (if not nominee)

Telephone

Email Address

Signature

Date

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