



Special Operations Medical Association (SOMA) Call for Board Applications

The Nominations Committee is conducting the Call for Applications for open positions on the SOMA Board of Directors for the 2025-2027 election slate. The positions that will be elected by the membership in 2025 is Non Military Vice President, and two Member at Large position. The individuals elected for these offices will serve a two-year term.

The criteria for the open positions are listed below. The ability to offer more than one candidate for each office is dependent upon receiving a sufficient number of applications for each office from the membership.

We strongly encourage you to complete the electronic submission form for yourself. If you are aware of other current SOMA members that qualify for one of these positions, please encourage them to submit an application. ***All applications MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 8 2025, to be considered for the slate of candidates.***

Applications must be submitted electronically to SOMA's Executive Office through the link located on the SOMA website or below. Applicants will receive an e-mail acknowledgement of receipt of the Board application form within 3-5 business days of receipt. If such acknowledgement is not received within that time frame, please contact the SOMA Executive Office at (913) 222-8659 or info@specialoperationsmedicine.org. The slate of candidates will be compiled by the Nominations Committee and reviewed by the Board of Directors. Candidates that are elected by the membership will be required to adhere to SOMA's Code of Ethics and sign a Conflict of Interest disclosure annually. The Code of Ethics may be obtained by contacting the SOMA Executive Office at info@specialoperationsmedicine.org.

Candidate Criteria and Position Descriptions

The affairs of the Association are governed, supervised, and controlled by the Board of Directors. The authority delegated to the Board requires that it set policies and make relevant decisions on behalf of the Association's membership; therefore, Board Members should be the most knowledgeable about the activities and needs of the Association's members. Prior experience serving on SOMA committees or the Board of Directors is encouraged for officer positions. The Board's duties include:

- Ensuring that the needs of the membership are met.
- Approving and evaluating plans and policies of the Association.
- Budgetary approval and control.
- Monitoring and reviewing financial objectives.
- Long-term strategic planning.

Applicants for officer positions are encouraged to have participated on a committee and/or as a Board Member-at-Large.

Non Military Vice President (1 position)

The Non-Military Vice President will be currently or formerly employed by a governmental entity or contactor thereof in a capacity with direct oversight of and/or direct clinical practice in, non-military special operations, tactical, austere, or disaster medicine. May or may not be a veteran of the US armed forces.

- Applicant must be a member in good standing of SOMA.

- Must be currently or formerly employed by a governmental entity or contractor thereof in a capacity with direct oversight of and/or direct clinical practice in, non-military special operations, tactical, austere, or disaster medicine.
- The Non- Military Vice President may or may not be a veteran of the US armed forces.
- Shall have oversight over duties as assigned by the President.

Member-At-Large (2 positions available)

- Applicant must be a member in good standing of SOMA
- Must have a background in TEMS, Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines, Coast Guard, or Space Force.
- Ability to commit to the Board of Directors for a two-year term and act as peer representative of the membership.
- The duties of Members-at-Large shall be as assigned by the President or Board of Directors of the Association.

Submit your application electronically [here](#).