



Dear Company:

Welcome to the Writers Guild of America, East (WGAE) Signatory Process. Included in the attached packet are the following forms which need to be completed and returned to us for processing **prior** to optioning, purchasing, or commencement of a writer's services.

Please return originals of the following signatory documents:

- Signatory Company Application
 - For Sole Proprietorships, signatory documents must be filled out with the legal name of the <u>individual</u>, not the fictitious business name.
- Letter of Adherence to the 2014 MBA
- Guarantee Agreement
- Form 5 B (Letter of Adherence to the Pension Plan & Health Fund)
- Notice of Agent for Service of Process

PLEASE NOTE: Any individual signing signatory documents must provide some form of photo identification.

Please submit as applicable:

- Corporation Articles of Incorporation
- Limited Liability Company Articles of Organization
- Joint Venture/Partnership-Fictitious Business Name Statement & Partnership Agreement

PLEASE PROVIDE A COPY OF EACH WRITER'S AGREEMENT (executed or not)

We are very pleased that you are interested in becoming a signatory company. If you have any questions about this application or the signatory process, please contact us at 212/767-7837.

Sincerely,

Signatories Department
Writers Guild of America, East, Inc.
250 Hudson Street
New York, NY 10013
(212) 767-7837
rrubin@wgaeast.org



SIGNATORY COMPANY APPLICATION

***Address NO P.O. BOXES OR EQUI	VALENT (NOT PRODUCTION OFFICE - N	O P.O. BOXES OR EQUIVALENT)	
Contact		Phone #	
Email		Website	
·	ficial company address f	or WGA records, correspon	dence and notices.
□ ATTORNEY		☐ OTHER BUSINESS REI	D.
a at toknet		a office bosiness rei	•
Name		Name	
Company or Firm		Company or Firm	
Street Address		Street Address	
City	State Zip	City	State Zip
Phone#		Phone#	
Fax#		Fax#	
Email		Email	
TYPES OF CONTENT THI	S COMPANY PRODUC	ES OR INTENDS TO PRO	DUCE:
☐ Theatrical Features	☐ TV Series	☐ Reality TV	☐ Internet/Mobile Conter
☐ Independent Films	☐ Miniseries	☐ Nonfiction Basic Cable	☐ Informational
☐ Low Budget Under \$1.2M	☐ Made-for-TV Movies	☐ Game Shows	□ Videogames
☐ Theatrical Documentary	□ Comedy/Variety	□ TV Documentary	
☐ Theatrical Animation	☐ Direct-to-Video/DVD	☐ TV Animation	
COLLECTIVE BARGAININ	NG AGREEMENTS: Is v	our company signed with any	of the following
		Please check all that apply b	

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COMPANY INFORMATION

Company Name:	
Please complete Section A, B or C	
	D LIABILITY COMPANY
Incorporated/Formed in the State of:	
Principal Place of Business in the State of:	
Date of Incorporation/Formation:	
Federal ID#:	Organizational ID#:
OFFICERS / MANAGERS	PRINCIPAL SHAREHOLDERS / MEMBERS** % OWNED
Chairman:	
President:	
Vice Pres:	
Treasurer:	
Parent Corporation:	
Subsidiaries:	
	mpany please complete another copy of this form for that entity. For each e complete an INDIVIDUAL INFORMATION form (Page 3).
·	e complete an individual information form (Fage 3).
B. GENERAL PARTNERSHIP	☐ LIMITED PARTNERSHIP ☐ JOINT VENTURE
Organized in the State of:	
Date Formed:	
General Partners/Joint Venturers**	Limited Partners**
	%
	%
	%
	%
who is a partner or joint venturer please complete an	
	ORSHIP (Signatory documents must be filled out with the legal name of the
Legal Name of Individual:	
Fictitious Business Name (d/b/a—if applicable):	

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INDIVIDUAL INFORMATION

Please complete this form for each person who is a 10% or more owner or any individual signing these signatory documents. If the principal shareholder/member is a company, please complete another Company Information form for that entity.

Professional Name	·		
	PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE		
Full Legal Name:	PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE		
Social Security #:			
Home Address:	NO P.O. BOXES OR EQUIVALENT		
Home Phone #		Cell #:	
Primary Source of I	ncome:		
Occupation/Position	າ:		
Employer:			
Employer Address:	NO P.O. BOXES OR EQUIVALENT		
Work Phone #	Т	ype of Business:	
Name of Spouse: _			
	names of any motion picture/television	· -	hich you are a
Please list any prev	ious projects you have produced:		
,	represent the services of writers? □ , owner or partner of any other product		r:
	Company Name	Relationship to Company	WGA Signatory?
			Yes No
			Yes No
		_	Yes No
			Voc. No.



CURRENT PROJECT INFORMATION

(Complete one form for each project)

Project Title:	
Initial Release: ☐ Theatrical ☐ Low Budget Agreement (\$: ☐ Television (Network)	
☐ New Media/Internet (Website)	
Name of Writer(s) 1.)	Date of Employment or Purchase ☐ Option/Purchase ☐ Employment
2.)	☐ Option/Purchase ☐ Employment
3.)	☐ Option/Purchase ☐ Employment
4.)	☐ Option/Purchase ☐ Employment
Above-listed Writer's work is to be based upon	the following source or assigned material:
Written By	y Entitled
□ Story: □ Treatment: □ Screenplay: □ Unpublished Novel: □ Published Novel: □ Stage Play:	
Other (describe):	
	ON INFORMATION
Production Office Information:	Production Start Date:
Street Address	
City State Zip	
Phone#	
Fax#	



FINANCIAL INFORMATION FOR CURRENT PROJECT

(Complete one form for each project)

Projected budget of project:	\$		_	
FINANCING SOURCES		24		
% of budget financ	ced	% o	f budget financed	
Name		Name		
Company or Firm		Company or Firm		
Street Address		Street Address		
City State	Zip	City	State	Zip
Phone#		Phone#		
Fax#		 Fax#		
Email		Email		
DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION				
□ Domestic		☐ Foreign		
Distributor Name		Distributor Name		
Street Address		Street Address		
City State	Zip	City	State	Zip
Phone#		Phone#		
Fax#		Fax#		
Email		Email		
	COPYRIGH	T INFORMATION		
The entity who will own the copyright	t once the projec	is completed:		
As an officer, owner and/or partne application is true and accurate to	r in this compa	ny, I acknowledge all of t knowledge.		
By:		Title:		
Print Name:		Date:		



LETTER OF ADHERENCE

LETTER OF ADHERENCE TO THE 2014 WGA THEATRICAL AND TELEVISION BASIC AGREEMENT

The undersigned company ("Company") and the Writers Guild of America, East, Inc., on behalf of itself and its affiliate Writers Guild of America, West, Inc. (collectively "WGA" or "Guild"), accept and agree to abide by all terms ar th

•	elevision Basic Agreement ("2014 MBA") as negotiated between
the Alliance of Motion Picture and Tel	evision Producers ("AMPTP")
the production companies of ABC, CE	BS and NBC ("Networks")
terms and conditions is enclosed. The economic the Networks are the same with three exceptions noted in an Addendum at the end of the Summary	agh and including May 1, 2017. A Summary containing the and other terms of the MBAs negotiated with the AMPTP and The three exceptions, which relate to long-form television, are y. Regardless of which version of the 2014 MBA is selected, the I also be bound to the terms and conditions of Attachment 1 s.
, -	standing, the Company shall remain primarily liable for all the nt the undersigned should sell, transfer or assign any of its rights
compensation (including but not limited to residual are entitled under the MBA or their individual agree Company shall promptly provide such assurances deposit or escrow, security agreement and/or such	e reasonable financial assurances that writers will receive all als and other forms of contingent compensation) to which they be seements with company. Upon the Guild's written request, the is as are acceptable to the Guild in the form of a lien, bond, cash the other type acceptable to the Guild. In the event the Company have the right to withhold the services of writers until such
will independently determine whether your compa	ributions are required by the 2014 MBA are separate entities and any may participate in these trusts. Should the Company be ontributions for bona fide covered employment will be accepted
A photocopy, facsimile, electronic or other copy or signed original.	f this agreement shall have the same effect for all purposes as a
AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED	WRITERS GUILD OF AMERICA, EAST, INC. on behalf of itself and its affiliate WRITERS GUILD OF AMERICA, WEST, INC.
By:	Ву:
SIGNATURE	LOWELL PETERSON, Executive Director

2014 WGAE Signatory Application

Title:

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ATTACHMENT 1, LETTER OF ADHERENCE TO THE 2014 WGA THEATRICAL & TELEVISION BASIC AGREEMENT

1. Substitute the following expanded list of Los Angeles arbitrators in Articles 11.C.2.e.(3), 11.E.4., 11.F.5.a.(7), 11.G.5. and Theatrical Schedule A, paragraph 26.a.(3)(e):

LOS ANGELES

Sara Adler Joel Grossman
Norman Brand Fredric R. Horowitz
Mark Burstein Fred Kuperberg
Christopher Cameron Ken Perea

Tom Christopher Michael Rappaport
Douglas Collins Sol Rosenthal
Paul E. Crost Robert Steinberg
Dixon Dern Jan Stiglitz
Catherine Fisk Terri Tucker

William Gould IV

Edna Francis

- 2. Amend Section 2.a.(1) and (2) of Appendix C of the 2014 MBA as follows:
 - "2. The rates and other conditions of employment or for the acquisition of literary material from a professional writer applicable to programs made for basic cable shall be as follows:

Barry Winograd

- a. The following shall apply except with respect to high budget dramatic programs, as defined in subparagraph 2.b. below:
 - (1) The Company may elect, with respect to all other programs, including Appendix A programs, to apply the provisions of subparagraph 2.b. to the employment of a writer. Otherwise, either the Guild or Company may notify the other that it wishes to bargain concerning rates and other conditions of employment to be applicable to the employment of writers or the acquisition of literary material for programs of the types heretofore traditionally produced for free television pursuant to any WGA Basic Agreement, produced primarily for the basic cable market. The parties agree to commence such negotiations within thirty (30) days of receipt of such notice. If no agreement is reached within sixty (60) days after bargaining has commenced, the Guild may, upon written notice to Company, instruct its members to refuse to render services with respect to such programs.
 - (2) Until such time as the Guild instructs its members to refuse to render services with respect to such programs produced pursuant to subparagraph 2.a.(1) above, the employment of a writer for such an entertainment program (herein "Program") produced within the metropolitan areas of Los Angeles or New York, or of a writer hired within such areas for a Program to be produced within the United States, shall be subject to: (a) the Guild Shop provisions of this Agreement; (b) Articles 10-12 (grievance and arbitration); (c) Article 17, the Pension Plan and Health Fund provisions of this Agreement; provided that in no event shall the Company be required to make pension and health contributions in an amount greater than would be required if the Program were made for free television; (d) the requirement that the Company tender a written contract of employment to the writer within ten (10) days following the commencement of his or her employment and the requirement that the Company send to the Guild a copy of any writer's

executed contract for employment on a Program within one (1) week after receipt by Company of such executed contract; and (e) the requirement that the Company notify the Guild of its intention to produce such a program at least ninety (90) days prior to commencement by any writer of writing services on the Program provided, however, that with respect to material written to be part of such a Program, this subparagraph 2.a.(2) shall apply to continuity material only when such material is written to be a part of a Program originally produced for exhibition on basic cable (as distinguished from a program originally produced for exhibition in another medium). If the Company fails to provide timely notice of its intention to produce such Program as required in this subparagraph, then the provisions of subparagraph (1) above shall not apply and the Guild may, not earlier than twenty-four (24) hours after written notice to the Company, instruct its members to refuse to render services with respect to such Program.

(3) The employment of a writer for a dramatic program one (1) hour or longer which is to be produced in the United States for basic cable television under a budget less than (i) \$530,000 for a one (1) hour program; (ii) \$850,000 for a ninety (90) minute program; or (iii) \$1,250,000 for a two (2) hour or longer program (other than one covered by Paragraph 2.a.(2) above) shall be subject to the requirement that the Company notify the Guild at least ninety_(90) days prior to commencement by any writer of writing services on the program."



GUARANTEE **A**GREEMENT

GUARANTEE AGREEMENT UNDER THE 2014 WGA THEATRICAL AND TELEVISION BASIC AGREEMENT

Reference	e is made to the Letter of Adherence to the 2014 Writers Guild of America Theatrical and
Television	n Basic Agreement ("2014 MBA") between
(herein af	ter "Company"), and Writers Guild of America ("WGA") which is entered into concurrently with
this guara	antee. To induce the WGA to sign the Letter of Adherence, the undersigned, as an individual,
agrees to	the following:
You agre	e to guarantee performance of the 2014 MBA by Company.
You agree	e to assume all obligations of Company under each employment agreement for writing
	and option or purchase agreement for literary material entered into at any time during the e 2014 MBA.
You agree	e to assume all obligations of the 2014 MBA pertaining to such employment and option or
purchase	agreement and specifically agree to be bound by, and a party to, any grievance and/or
arbitration	n under the 2014 MBA, should a dispute between a writer and/or WGA and Company arise.
You and or settlem	Company shall be deemed jointly and severally liable under any grievance, arbitration award nent.
You agree	e that service upon Company pursuant to the 2014 MBA shall constitute service upon you.
This guar	antee is irrevocable. Nothing contained in this agreement shall be construed to relieve
	from its obligations under such employment and option or purchase agreement or its under the 2014 MBA.
•	opy, facsimile, electronic or other copy of this agreement shall have the same effect for all as a signed original.
AGREED	TO AND ACCEPTED
Ву:	
Name:	INDIVIDUAL'S SIGNATURE
Λ ddrass:	PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE INDIVIDUALS'S NAME
Address:	NO P.O. BOXES OR EQUIVALENT

Date:



Producer-Writers Guild of America Pension Plan Writers' Guild-Industry Health Fund



Jim Hedges, Chief Executive Officer

Form 5-B

2014 Theatrical & Television Agreement

The undersigned employer represents and declares:

- 1. That it employs Writers (herein "Such Writers") who render writing services in the preparation of literary material subject to the 2014 WGA Theatrical and Television Basic Agreement ("2014 MBA") and/or such other collective bargaining agreements as the Writers Guild of America may enter into with employers (herein "Basic Agreements").
- 2. That it is familiar with the provisions of (a) the Agreement and Declaration of Trust establishing the Writers Guild-Industry Health Fund dated September 23, 1973, as amended, herein referred to as the "Health Fund", and (b) the Producer-Writers Guild of America Pension Plan dated March 31, 1960, as amended, hereinafter referred to as the "Pension Plan", and (c) said applicable 2014 MBA.
- 3. That the employer and the Writers Guild of America are signatories to one or more such Basic Agreements, which Basic Agreements are in conformity with the law for the employee unit described below, and such union (a) is a party to the Health Fund, as set forth in Section 1 of Article I of the Health Fund, with respect to Such Writers, and (b) is a party to the Producer-Writers Guild of America Pension Plan as set forth in Section 31 of Article I of the Pension Plan with respect to Such Writers. The rate and obligation of the undersigned employer to make contributions (a) to such Health Fund with respect to Such Writers, and (b) to such Pension Plan with respect to Such Writers, shall commence on and continue for the period and in accordance with the Health Fund and the Pension Plan provisions of the 2014 MBA.
- 4. Also in accordance with such 2014 MBA and for the period and purposes set forth therein, the employer shall pay to the Pension Plan and Health Fund through its administrator in pursuance of the 2014 MBA the contributions the undersigned employer is obligated to make under such Basic Agreements to the Health Fund.
- 5. The undersigned by this document adopts and intends (a) to become a party to and to participate in the Health Fund with respect to Such Writers to the same extent as though the undersigned had executed such Trust Agreement or a counterpart thereof, in accordance with Section I, Article IX of said Health Fund, and (b) to become a party to and participate in the Pension Plan with respect to Such Writers by the execution of the document, in accordance with Section 2, Article XIII thereof.

The employer appoints as its agent (check one, if any):	
☐ Alliance of Motion Picture & Television Producers ☐	Other:
to act for it under the terms and conditions of said Health Fund empowered to act under the provisions of Article VI, or Section Plan, or under the provision of Section 2 of Article VIII of the H	2, of Article VII and Section 3 of Article XIII of the Pension
EXACT LEGAL NAME OF THE COMPANY	_ For Office Use Only
By: SIGNATURE	Accepted the day of, 20
Name: PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE	Producer-Writers Guild of America Pension Plan and on behalf of Writers' Guild-Industry Health Fund
Title: PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE	By:CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Data:	_



NOTICE OF AGENT FOR SERVICE OF PROCESS

notices

The undersigned company hereby appoints the following individual as the Agent for Service of Process in connection with any matters related to the Writers Guild of America collective bargaining agreement.

Should this individual cease to act as agent for service of process for any reason whatsoever, company agrees to appoint a new agent without delay and immediately submit to the WGA, a new Notice of Agent for Service of Process. Company agrees that all written notices required under the provision of said collective bargaining agreement which are sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, to Company's last address, with a copy sent to the below-appointed agent, shall constitute and be valid service under the applicable bargaining agreement. Company understands that the designated agent will remain in effect until the WGA receives notification from Company that the agent has been replaced by another individual.

Agent must be resident of the State of New York. Post Office Boxes or the equivalent are not acceptable.

This agreement may be executed in multiple counterpart and all of which taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument respectively. A photocopy, facsimile, electronic or other copy shall have the same effect for all purposes as a signed original.

PLEASE COMPLETE 1, 2 AND 3 BELOW.

1.	NAME OF COMPANY:	
	Ву:	SIGNATURE
	rianie.	PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE
	Title:	PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE
	Date.	
aris	The undersigned hereby ing under any collective b	agrees to accept service of process in connection with any disputes or pargaining agreement:
2.	NAME OF APPOINTED	PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE
	Company/Law Firm (if a	applicable):
		Address: NO P.O. BOXES OR EQUIVALENT
		NO P.O. BOXES ON EQUIVALENT
		Phone:
		Email:
3.	APPOINTED AGENT S	IGNS HERE:
	By: signature	
	Date:	
2014	WGAE Signatory Application	





Upon receiving your completed application we will review it to determine if any additional information and/or documents are needed before accessing your signatory eligibility. Submission of all required completed forms is essential. If your application is accepted, the WGAE will return countersigned signatory documents and assign your company a unique employer number.

The Producers-Writers Guild of America Pension Plan/Writers' Guild-Industry Health Fund ("Trusts") will independently determine your company's status as a participating employer, to the Trusts Agreements. If your company has an owner (10% or more) who is also a writer employed by the company, we suggest you review the "10% Owner/Writer" criteria on the WGA Plans website www.wgaplans.org prior to submitting your application. This information can also be obtained by calling the Trusts at (818) 846-1015.

The WGAE website, <u>www.wgaeast.org</u>, has a wide spectrum of information designed to help you. We suggest you begin by visiting the "Resources" section of the site (or click on the links below) for the following documents:

- 1. 2014 MBA Schedule of Minimums
- 2. 2014 MBA Summary
- 3. <u>2011 WGA Theatrical and Television Basic Agreement ("MBA") (pdf)</u>. Please note the 2011 MBA is currently available online. When the new 2014 MBA is published it will be available online.
- 4. Derivative Program Made for New Media Fact Sheet
- 5. Original Programs Made for New Media Fact Sheet (pdf)

Thank you for your interest in the Writer Guild of America, East. If you have any questions please contact the Signatories Department at 212/767-7837; we are glad to be of assistance.



PLEASE BE ADVISED:

If you become a WGA signatory you will be required to complete the following steps each time you engage writers. This is only an outline and other obligations may apply under the MBA depending on the type of project.

- 1. Contracts When you have engaged a writer, please send a copy of the executed agreement to the Contracts Department (either fax to (212) 582-1909, email to rrubin@wgaeast.org, or mail). For questions pertaining to the MBA or rates please contact the Contracts Department at (212) 767-7837. WGA Low Budget Agreements or WGA Documentary Screenplay Contracts for theatrical films budgeted at \$1.2 million or below are available by Writer request, but application filing and prior approval is required. Please contact the Contracts Department at (212) 767-7837.
- 2. **Worklist Information** Please send a **Weekly Worklist** to the Membership Department with the names of all writers you are currently engaging for services. The Weekly Worklist form is available for download on the WGA website. For questions about worklists, please contact the Membership Department at (212) 767-7821. Weekly Worklists can be emailed to kobrien@wgaeast.org.
- 3. **Pension and Health Contributions** If you have employed a writer you will need to send Pension and Health contributions to the Producers-Writers Guild of America Pension Plan/Writers' Guild of America Health Fund ("Trusts") along with a "Report of Contributions" form. This form will be sent to you along with other pertinent information directly from the Trusts. You can also obtain a copy by visiting www.wqaplans.org or by calling the Trusts at (818) 846-1015.
- 4. **10% Owner/Writer** If you are a writer who owns 10% or more of the Company making contributions to the funds, it is essential you review the 10% Owner/Writer criteria of the Trusts prior to submitting contributions. The rules can also be found at www.wgaplans.org or you may contact Employer Compliance at the Trusts (818) 846-1015 for assistance.
- Credits and Creative Rights Information Upon completion of principal photography you must complete and send a Notice of Tentative Writing Credits (NTWC) to the participating writer(s) and the Credits Department. NTWC forms are available for download from the WGA website. Please email completed NTWC to gbetts@wgaeast.org. For credits questions please contact the Credits Department at (212) 767-7852.
- 6. **Script Publication Fee** If you produce a <u>theatrical</u> motion picture, a one-time fee of \$10,000 becomes due to the credited writer(s), through the Guild's Residual Department, 30 days after final credit determination. This fee may be paid out differently for certain WGA Low Budget Agreement theatrical films or WGA Documentary Screenplay Contract theatrical documentaries. Please contact the WGAW Residual Department at (323) 782-4700 for details.
- 7. **Residuals** Once your project has moved from initial distribution into reuse, residuals may be due. Please contact the Residuals Department at (212) 767-7814 for details on formulas and help with calculations.
- 8. **Assumption Agreements** If you sell a project outright or enter into a distribution agreement you must obtain a WGA assumption agreement. For copies of the WGA assumption agreements please contact the Signatories Department at (212) 767-7837.

In addition to the above items, the WGA website, <u>www.wgaeast.org</u>, has a wide spectrum of information designed to help you.