Form **5434-A** (January 2020)

# Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries **Application for Renewal of Enrollment**

**OMB Number** 1545-0951

INSTRUCTIONS: To timely renew your enrollment effective April 1, 2020, file this form on or before March 2, 2020. Also use this form to file to return to active status from inactive status between January 1, 2020, and December 31, 2022.

All individuals enrolled before January 1, 2020, are required by 20 CFR 901.11(d) to renew their enrollment in order to maintain active enrollment to perform actuarial services.

To file and pay electronically, visit www.pay.gov.

As an alternative to filing and paying electronically, you may enclose with this form your check or money order for \$250 (two hundred fifty) payable to the Internal Revenue Service, and submit by regular mail or USPS express mail to: Internal Revenue Service, PO Box 301510, Los Angeles, CA 90030-1510.

NOTE: If you were not eligible to use the "17-" prefix to your enrollment number and are applying to return to active status pursuant to 20 CFR 901.11(I)(7)(i), review the instructions posted at www.irs.gov/tax-professionals/enrolled-actuaries before completing or submitting this form. You may not file or pay electronically.

1. Enter the last prefix you were eligit	ole to use and your en	rollment	number			
Prefix		Enrollment N				
2. Provide the following information						
Last name	First name			Middle name or initial		
Business name (if using business address)	Address (number, street, apartment or suite)					
City			State		ZIP code	
ytime phone number (Include Area Code) Email address			<u>I</u>	Check here if any information has changed since the last submission.		
3. Follow instructions for Items A-C a	nd check one block fo	or Item D				
A. Enter total credit hours of qualifying profe category in the space provided.	essional education comple	pleted in each		(Core Hours)	(Non-Core Hours)	
<ul> <li>Participant in a qualifying program, inc programs, audio and video recordings,</li> </ul>						
ii. Serving as an instructor, discussion lea	ader, or speaker					
iii. Credit for published articles, books, file	ms, audio and video recor	dings, etc.				
iv. Service on Joint Board advisory commexaminations						
v. Credit earned by examination						
	1	Total Credit	Hours		<u> </u>	
B. Of the continuing professional education number of continuing professional educa program described at section 901.11(f)(2 continuing professional education credit						
<b>C.</b> Of the continuing professional education number of ethics credit hours completed						
<b>D.</b> Did you complete all required continuing	professional education cr	edit hours b	y Decem	ber 31, 2019?	Yes No	

4.	Check one block for each of the following questions (see instructions)				
Α.	A. Since the issuance or latest renewal of your enrollment, has an authoritative body issued a finding that you have knowingly filed or used false or misleading information or made false or misleading representations on matters relating to employee benefit plans or actuarial services? If Yes, provide details on a separate page.				
<b>B.</b> Since the issuance or latest renewal of your enrollment, have you been convicted of, or fined for, any criminal offenses (including those listed in ERISA section 411) under the laws of the United States, any State or the District of Columbia, or any territory or possession of the United States, which evidences fraud, dishonesty, or breach of trust? <b>If Yes, provide details on a separate page.</b>					
C.	<b>C.</b> Since the issuance or latest renewal of your enrollment, have you failed to timely file a required federal tax return or pay a federal tax, or has an authoritative body issued a finding that you have evaded any federal tax or payment, or that you have engaged in conduct described in section 901.12(f)(1)? <b>If Yes, provide details on a separate page.</b>			No	
D.	<b>D.</b> Since the issuance or latest renewal of your enrollment, has an authoritative body issued a finding that you have failed to discharge your duties under ERISA or that you have willfully violated any of the regulations of the Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries? <b>If Yes, provide details on a separate page.</b>				
5.	Declaration and signature				
ar 20	nder penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this application, and to the best of complete. In addition, I declare that I have reviewed the continuing professional educa CFR 901.11, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I have completed the minimur ction 901.11(I)(7), as applicable, and I have satisfied the recordkeeping requirements of	tion requirements set forth at m hours requirements of section			
5a. Signature		5b. Date signed			

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Section 1242 of Title 29, United States Code, authorizes the Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries (Joint Board) to collect this information. The primary use of the information is to enforce and administer the regulations of the Joint Board governing the practice of an actuary under the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). Information may be disclosed to: the Department of Justice when seeking advice or for use in any proceeding; courts and other adjudicative bodies during a proceeding; public authorities for their use in connection with employment, contracting, licensing, and other benefits; public authorities for their use in connection with their regulatory, enforcement, investigative, or prosecutorial responsibilities; contractors as necessary for performance of the contract; third parties as necessary during an investigation; the Department of Labor, the Department of the Treasury, and the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation for administering and enforcing ERISA or in connection with maintaining standards of integrity, conduct, and discipline on the part of individuals who practice before such agencies; the general public (including disclosures via web sites) for the purpose of publicizing or verifying the enrollment status and location of individuals who are, or were, enrolled actuaries; professional organizations or associations for their use in connection with maintaining standards of integrity, conduct, and discipline; appropriate agencies, entities, and persons when the Joint Board suspects or confirms that the security or confidentiality of information in a system of records has been compromised, as necessary to prevent, minimize, or remedy harm. Applying for renewal of enrollment is voluntary; however, providing the information requested on this form is a requirement to obtain the benefit of renewal of enrollment. Failure to provide the requested information could delay or prevent processing of your application. Providing false information could subject you to penalties.

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## Instructions for Form 5434-A, Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries Application for Renewal of Enrollment

### **General Instructions**

Before completing Form 5434-A, Application for Renewal of Enrollment, review the regulations (Parts 901 and 902 of Title 20 of the Code of Federal Regulations). Unless otherwise indicated, section numbers (e.g., 901.12(b)) cited on the form and in the instructions refer to the regulations. You may download a copy of the regulations from <a href="https://www.irs.gov/tax-professionals/enrolled-actuaries">www.irs.gov/tax-professionals/enrolled-actuaries</a>.

Do not submit Form 5434-A until you have completed the continuing professional education credit hours required for renewal of enrollment under section 901.11(e).

#### Instructions for Certain Line Items

#### Item 4

The term "authoritative body" includes a court of law, a duly constituted licensing or accreditation authority, a federal or state agency, board, commission, hearing examiner, administrative law judge, or other official administrative authority. When responding about the action of an authoritative body, attach a statement specifying (as applicable) the name and address of the authoritative body, the date of the body's action, the nature of the finding, and the type and duration of discipline imposed.

#### Item 4A

See section 901.31(c)(2)-(4) for a more detailed description of the circumstances that require you to answer "Yes" to item 4A. In addition, under section 901.12(f)(3), an actuary may also be suspended or terminated from enrollment if the Joint Board finds that the actuary submitted false or misleading information on an application for enrollment to perform actuarial services or in any oral or written information submitted in connection therewith or in any report presenting actuarial information to any person, knowing the same to be false or misleading.

#### Item 4B

Under section 901.12(f)(2), the enrollment of an actuary may be suspended or terminated if the actuary has been convicted of any of the offenses (for example, robbery, bribery, extortion, embezzlement, fraud, murder, rape, perjury) referred to in section 411 of ERISA. See ERISA section 411 (i.e., Section 1111 of Title 29, U.S. Code) for a more detailed list of applicable offenses.

#### Item 4C

Under section 901.31(c), the enrollment of an actuary may be suspended or terminated if the Joint Board finds that the actuary, during the period after applying for enrollment, has engaged in disreputable conduct. Answer "Yes" to item 4C if, since the issuance or latest renewal of your enrollment, you failed to timely file a required federal tax return or pay a federal tax for yourself, a client or prospective client, or an authoritative body issued a finding that you evaded any federal tax or payment for yourself, a client or prospective client. Also answer "Yes" to item 4C if, since the issuance or latest renewal of your enrollment, you were disbarred or suspended from practice as an actuary or an authoritative body issued a finding that you engaged in any of the types of conduct described in section 901.12(f) (1), including:

- i. Conduct evidencing fraud, dishonesty, or breach of trust.
- ii. Knowingly giving false or misleading information to the Department of the Treasury, Department of Labor, or the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.
- iii. Attempting to influence the action of the Department of the Treasury, Department of Labor, or the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation by coercion or inducement.
- iv. Using abusive language, making false accusations and statements knowing them to be false, or circulating or publishing malicious or libelous matter in connection with matters before the Department of the Treasury, Department of Labor, or the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation.

See section 901.12(f)(1) for a more detailed description of the circumstances that require you to answer "Yes" to item 4C.

If you failed to timely file a required federal tax return or pay a federal tax, specify the type of return, the taxable period covered by the return, and the type and amount of any penalties imposed in your attachment to item 4C. If an authoritative body issued a finding that you evaded any federal tax or payment, please explain and provide a copy of the finding. Note, as part of the application process, we may check your federal tax history to verify that you have timely filed and paid your federal taxes.

The term "disreputable conduct" is not limited to the items described above. An example of a circumstance when the Joint Board would investigate to determine whether an enrolled actuary's conduct was disreputable beyond the conduct specifically listed in section 901.12(f)(1) is when an individual has been disciplined for cheating on an examination. Another example is when an individual has been disciplined for violating professional standards of an actuarial organization or other profession.

### Item 4D

See sections 901.31(b) and 901.31(c)(5) for a more detailed description of the circumstances that require you to answer "Yes" to item 4D.