



**National Association of Certified Valuers and Analysts™ (NACVA®):  
Master Analyst in Financial Forensics™ (MAFF™) Designation Application**

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- Approved
- Needs Experience
- Not Qualified

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please complete the information below (Print or Type): Your name and address exactly as you wish it to appear in NACVA's Credentialed Member Directory and on your MAFF Certificate. To better serve you, NACVA requests a curriculum vitae and a business photo (head shot) be submitted along with your application. (Please read the certification criteria provided in The Association brochure prior to submitting this application. This information can also be accessed on NACVA's website at www.NACVA.com.)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ NACVA Member #: \_\_\_\_\_

Firm Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Designations: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

I am currently a Practitioner member in good standing with NACVA:  Yes  No

**Professional Status/Conduct:** *(The following four questions MUST be answered to complete your Application)*

1. If you are a CVA, do you hold a current CPA License?  Yes  No  N/A
2. Have you been convicted of any felony or crime carrying a punishment (whether served time in prison or not) in the last three years?  
 Yes  No If Yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
3. Have you been convicted of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude (lying, cheating, stealing, or other dishonest conduct) or any equivalent crime in any court of law in the last three years?  Yes  No If Yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
4. Have you had any professional license, professional certification, or professional membership revoked, refused, or suspended (other than for non-payment of dues) in the last three years?  Yes  No If Yes, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Area(s) in which you intend to certify:**

In which area of specialty will you be testing in pursuit of your MAFF credential?

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bankruptcy, Insolvency, and Restructuring  | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Valuation in Litigation    | <input type="checkbox"/> Fraud Risk Management          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business and Intellectual Property Damages | <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial Damages and Lost Profits | <input type="checkbox"/> Matrimonial Litigation Support |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Forensic Accounting                 |   |

**SECTION I (refer to Association Brochure)**

**Prerequisites:**

The applicant must possess one of the following credentials or levels of education:

CVA® (Certified Valuation Analyst®), ABA (Accredited Business Accountant/Advisor), ABAR (Accredited in Business Appraisal Review), ABV (Accredited in Business Valuation), AIRA/CIRA (Certified Insolvency & Restructuring Advisor), ASA (Accredited Senior Appraiser), AM (Accredited Member of the ASA), CBA (Certified Business Appraiser), CBV (Chartered Business Valuator), CDFA (Certified Divorce Financial Analyst), CFA (Chartered Financial Analyst), CFE (Certified Fraud Examiner), CMA (Certified Management Accountant), CM&AA (Certified Mergers & Acquisition Advisor), CMAP (Chartered Merger and Acquisition Professional), Cr.FA (Certified Forensic Accountant), CPA (Certified Public Accountant), CA (Chartered Accountant), or other recognized accounting or financial credentials subject to NACVA Headquarters approval, and a bachelor's degree in a business field from an accredited university/college, or, alternatively, a master's degree or doctorate in a field of business.

List here (submit proof along with this application): \_\_\_\_\_

**MAFF Prerequisite Basic Experience Requirement (PBE):**

Applicants must be able to prove having provided services in 10 engagements or 1,000 hours in the applicable specialty area in which they wish to specialize. Alternatively, if this cannot be met, a candidate can meet this requirement with 1,000 hours in business valuation services of which 200 hours are in the applicable specialty area.

Please explain in detail how you meet the PBE requirement and what evidence/proof you have to substantiate this, if requested (attach separate page if needed): \_\_\_\_\_

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**SECTION II (refer to Association Brochure)**

**MAFF Foundational Experience Requirement (FER):** (indicate with a check [√] below which FER path applies to you)

- A.  Applicants must show proof of having been the lead professional in eight matters\* in the applicable specialty area and having given presentations in three of those matters. Presentations can include testimony in deposition or trial. Please document such proof below in item C.
- B.  Alternatively, if this cannot be met, a candidate can meet this requirement if they possess the Certified in Financial Forensics (CFF®) credential designated by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants® (AICPA®), or by attending one of four NACVA-endorsed training programs (please indicate which program you have attended or plan to attend):

Date attended or plan to attend

- Advanced Forensic Accounting Clinic™*—Two days \_\_\_\_\_
- Expert Witness Bootcamp*—Three days \_\_\_\_\_
- Matrimonial Expert Witness Bootcamp*—Three days \_\_\_\_\_
- Foundations of Financial Forensics Workshop*—Five days \_\_\_\_\_
- N/A—I am a CFF and do not need to take the prerequisite training

C. Please complete the following information (attach separate page if needed):

Name of Matter	Description of Services Provided
1	
2	
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\* “Matters” has been defined as follows: An engagement in the applicable field, which may or may not involve a legal dispute, for which the expert rendered a significant amount of professional services and served as a lead professional. A significant amount of services will typically require a minimum of 40 hours of the candidate’s time in an engagement and issuance of a report.

Name of Matter	Description of Services Provided
7	
8	

**SECTION III** (refer to Association Brochure)

**MAFF Specialty Training Recommended (STR):** (indicate with a check [√] below which STR path applies to you)

Applicants may need to attend training in their chosen specialty area for which they seek a MAFF credential. The test to qualify for the MAFF is drawn from NACVA’s Financial Forensics Body of Knowledge (FFBOK). The training in each of the seven specialty tracks, which is now a combination of both live in-person and webinars, teaches to both the FFBOK and concepts applicable to the specialty within the context of financial forensics. I have attended (or plan to) the following MAFF specialized training program(s):

Specialty Training

Date attended or plan to attend

- Bankruptcy, Insolvency, and Restructuring Webinar Series \_\_\_\_\_
- Business Valuation in Litigation Webinar Series \_\_\_\_\_
- Business and Intellectual Property Damages Webinar Series \_\_\_\_\_
- Commercial Damages and Lost Profits Webinar Series \_\_\_\_\_
- Forensic Accounting Webinar Series \_\_\_\_\_
- Fraud Risk Management (self-study format) \_\_\_\_\_
- Matrimonial Litigation Webinar Series \_\_\_\_\_

FFBOK Training

- Litigation Bootcamp In-Person Training \_\_\_\_\_

**Experience Equivalent to Training:**

Highly experienced candidates may not need the Specialty Training Recommended. The training recommended is considered to be the equivalent of having provided services in 20 matters or 2,500 hours in the specialty area<sup>†</sup>. Alternatively, if candidate has had 2,500 hours in business valuation services, documented in 20 matters, of which 1,500 hours are in the applicable specialty area, this would be considered comparable real world experience.

Please complete the following information (attach separate page if needed):

	Name of Matter	Description of Services Provided	√ = Applicable to Specialty	Engagement Hours
1				
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4				

<sup>†</sup> Commercial Damages and Lost Profits is the only exception to this rule, whereas the candidate’s 20 matters should include 10 depositions and/or testimony. Furthermore, the Commercial Damages and Lost Profits specialty defines experience as involvement in business and/or personal damages.

	Name of Matter	Description of Services Provided	√ = Applicable to Specialty	Engagement Hours
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17				
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19				
20				
<b>Total Hours</b>				

**SECTION IV**

**Professional References:** *(Attorneys, Judges, CPAs, etc.)*

(1) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Reference:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Company/Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Tel: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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**I hereby attest to the completeness, accuracy, and integrity of the above information. NACVA has my authorization to take measures deemed necessary to verify this information.**

Signature of Applicant‡: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

‡ *Your signature will authorize the National Association of Certified Valuators and Analysts (NACVA) to confirm the above information via e-mail and/or fax, if necessary, and authorize NACVA to use either medium for future communication. NACVA will not disclose or share this information with third parties to secure confidentiality.*

I have included a recent Curriculum Vitae with this application.

**Return Application via E-mail, Fax, or U.S. Mail to:**

**NACVA**

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