



**The Delaware State Chamber of Commerce, New Castle County Chamber of Commerce, Middletown Area Chamber of Commerce, and the Central Delaware Chamber of Commerce announce the opening of competition for the 2024 State of Delaware's**

## **Warrior Friendly Business Award**

Does your company stand behind our military? Do you hire military members, family members of the military? Do you or your employees help prepare our men and women in uniform, or veterans for the workplace? Do you help get the word out in the community about the benefits of hiring the men and women who have stood up to defend our country? If so, this award is for you.

To apply, fill out the application on the back of this form or create a document that covers the three main areas listed and submit it by December 15, 2023 per the instructions on the form. Explain as best you can the efforts your company has put forth to hire service members or veterans. Be sure to include your history of hires over the years. In addition, if your company or employees of your company have worked to prepare our service members, veterans and their families for the workforce through job readiness initiatives, tell us all about this work. And finally, let us know about anything your company or employees of your company have done promoting across Delaware the benefits of hiring service members and veterans to others.

This is all laid out in the form on the back – just be sure to get your submission in by December 15, 2023 to be in the running. Awards will be presented by the Governor at our annual State of the Guard event, and will be held on Friday, February 23, 2024.

### **Past Winners:**

**2016** ----- *Delaware Technical Community College and Delmarva Veteran Builders*  
**2017** ----- *Delmarva Power and Wastemasters*  
**2018** ----- *JP Morgan Chase and Company and Mission BBQ*  
**2020** ----- *Healy, Long and Jevin and Boulden Brothers*  
**2021** ----- *Bank of America and Middletown Area Chamber of Commerce*  
**2022** ----- *MDavis & Sons and Zip Code Wilmington*  
**2023** ----- *Orth Financial Group and Bloom Energy*

# Joint Military Affairs Committee

Delaware State Chamber of Commerce, New Castle County Chamber of Commerce and Central Delaware Chamber of Commerce

## **Delaware “Warrior Friendly Business” Annual Award**

The Joint Military Affairs Committee (JMAC) and Central Delaware Chamber of Commerce’s Military Affairs Committee established an annual award for one large business (50+ employees) and one small business (less than 50 employees).

**Eligibility:** Any company in Delaware can be nominated by the following organizations or their members: Delaware State Chamber of Commerce, New Castle County Chamber, Central Delaware Chamber of Commerce, The Delaware Workforce Investment Board, The Delaware Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve, The Middletown Area Chamber of Commerce, any service member or veteran who works for a Delaware employer and serves or has served in the armed forces

**Name of Nominator:** \_\_\_\_\_

***This award will go to the company recognized by the JMAC. Please provide details on how your nominee has performed in each of the following categories:***

***I. Efforts towards Hiring service members or veterans:***

***II Efforts towards preparing our service members, veterans & their families for the workforce:***

***III Efforts towards promoting outside of their own business the benefits of hiring service members and veterans:***

The award winners will be selected by the JMAC and the award presented at the annual State of the Guard event in February. A plaque is prominently displayed by the state in the Wilmington office of the Governor with the annual winners for each year listed and a trophy will be presented to the winning companies.

**All nominations must be submitted no later than December 15, 2023 to: Don Fulton at [don@gweiner.com](mailto:don@gweiner.com)**