

Hotel Duval

415 North Monroe St.,
Tallahassee, FL 32301 (850) 224-6000
From the Capitol go North on Monroe St.
three blocks.

The Governors Club

202 ½ South Adams St.
Tallahassee, Florida 32301 - (850) 224-0650
From the Capitol go North on Adams Street
one block.



"Politics is the most hazardous of all professions. There is not another in which a man can hope to do so much good to his fellow creatures, neither is there any in which by a mere loss of nerve he may do such widespread harm; nor is there another in which he may so easily lose his own soul; nor is there another in which a positive and strict veracity is so difficult. But danger is the inseparable companion of honor. With all the temptations and degradation that beset it, politics is still the noblest career any man can choose."

Andrew Oliver (18th Century American Politician)



Pictured above at the 2011 Legislative Conference: Members of Associated Builders and Contractors of Florida on the Senate Chamber floor to discuss issues of importance to the construction industry with Senate President Mike Haridopolos.

Who Should Attend

Anyone interested in the effect that government regulation has on the commercial construction industry and in taking steps towards improving the business climate in Florida to attract new and vibrant business opportunities to the state. Here are several great reasons to attend and specific bills we'll be working on:

Job Creation

- Expand the reach of existing public private partnership opportunities to include local government, education, and special districts.
- Assist our Ports throughout the state to ensure that they remain a viable part of our state's economy.
- Identify PECO funding opportunities. Florida's educational institutions must remain competitive on a national scale.

Legislative Obstacles

- Keep competition on public construction projects open and honest. Project Labor Agreements limit competition and drive up the cost of construction to taxpayers.
- Work to eliminate geographic price preferences at the local level. Projects funded by state dollars should be open to companies from across the state of Florida. Limiting competition decreases the available talent pool and drives up costs significantly.
- Improve our workplace security by adopting more uniform security policies.

"As builders, we are so busy with our day-to-day operations that we don't realize what is taking place politically behind the scenes and how our industry is impacted with the decisions our elected officials make every day. I have been involved in many trade organizations in the past, for the most part, for networking purposes. During my visit this past month to the ABC Tallahassee Legislative Conference, I learned and appreciated how much this organization really does for the construction industry and how important it is for us to relay to our elected officials how the bills they vote on every day impact our industry. I would like to thank ABC for everything they do for us at the legislative level and for allowing me to become part of the effort."

*Jesus R. Vazquez, President,
Facchina Construction of Florida, LLC
ABC Board of Directors Member*

Included In Your Registration

- ✓ One night's single accommodation Hotel Duval.
- ✓ Wednesday lunch at legislative briefing.
- ✓ Wednesday evening cocktail reception and dinner.
- ✓ Thursday continental breakfast at the Board of Directors meeting.
- ✓ Materials/handouts on key issues.
- ✓ "2011-2012 Legislative Guidebook".

Registration fee is \$399 (fee includes room) for the first registrant.

A reduced registration fee of \$349 is available for additional registrants from the same company.

A reduced registration fee of \$199 is available for those not requiring hotel accommodations.

Transportation arrangements must be made individually (please check with your local chapter for additional information).

**For questions, call Joan Sallah
at (954) 984-0075**

Become a Citizen Lobbyist for the Day!

Join ABC of Florida Chapter Staff for a day of lobbying at the State Capitol. ABC Staff will brief you on ABC's key legislative issues prior to your meetings with your state Senators and Representatives. This is a fantastic opportunity to make your voice heard.



Please join us for this informative, valuable, productive and fun conference. Remember, the last thing you want to do in a down economy is be invisible.

Scheduled Events

Wednesday, February 8, 2012

- 12:00 – 2:30 Issues briefing and lunch (Governors Club).
- 2:30 – 4:00 Capitol/Legislative visits.
- 4:00 – 5:30 Group visits with the House Speaker, Senate President and Governor.
- 7:00 – 10:00 Dinner and Cocktails at Hotel Duval.

Thursday, February 9, 2012

- 7:30 – 9:00 ABC of Florida Board of Directors breakfast meeting. (Hotel Duval)
- 9:00 Capitol/legislative visits as needed. Shuttle provided.



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**2012
Tallahassee Legislative
Conference**



ABC Members from across the state on the steps of Florida's Capitol Building.

February 8 & 9, 2012

2011 Tallahassee Legislative Conference Registration Form

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