



The United States Senate Productivity and Quality Award Program for Virginia

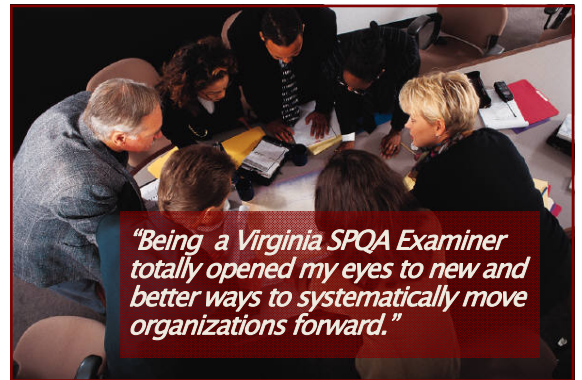


## Add to your Professional Resume, Be an Examiner...

Virginia SPQA's success depends on dedicated volunteer Examiners who provide feedback to Award and Recognition Applicants and Discovery Program Participants through the lens of the Nation's Baldrige Criteria for Performance Excellence. Being an Examiner is an honor and potential career enhancer. Examiners dedicate an average of 130–180 hours (including a 2–day training program) each year to review SPQA award applications, conduct site visits as necessary, and write detailed feedback reports. Examiners come from all walks of life; the common denominator is an interest in the sciences associated with organizational performance excellence.

### 12 Benefits of Being an Examiner

1. A resume noticeable accomplishment
2. Public recognition of accomplishment including a certificate and employer letter signed by Virginia's Senators
3. Continued personal learning and professional development – sharpening skills and adding knowledge valuable to other types of certification efforts
4. Recertification or continuing education credits in some professions
5. Applied knowledge of the Baldrige "World Class" Criteria for Performance Excellence
6. Understanding how to apply the Criteria in one's own organization
7. Exposure to best practices from other organizations and sectors to apply in one's own organization
8. Networking with performance excellence professionals who share a common language
9. Complimentary registration for Examiner Training, the annual Virginia Forum for Excellence and potential registration discounts for other events
10. Developmental path for advancing in the Virginia SPQA Program
11. Potential advancement to the national Baldrige Program
12. Experience of a sense of pride and giving back to the community—including the recognition of your employer organization as Sponsors when full costs are covered.



*"Being a Virginia SPQA Examiner totally opened my eyes to new and better ways to systematically move organizations forward."*

### Sound appealing? Move to the Next Step...

To learn more about Virginia SPQA and becoming an Examiner, visit [spqa-va.org](http://spqa-va.org) and click on **"Be an Examiner"** download the *Examiner Guide* and/or visit our photos on Facebook. Questions? contact [Director@spqa-va.org](mailto:Director@spqa-va.org) or call 571-215-8881.

***Examiner Application "open season" ends December 1, so explore today!***

