

**ANIMAL/HUMAN INTERACTION: RESEARCH AND PRACTICE SECTION
Society of Counseling Psychology, Division 17
American Psychological Association**

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2007

The Animal/Human Interaction: Research and Practice Section is in its first year and is formally a Division 17 section-in-formation. As a new section we have not set up a dues structure. If you wish to make a financial contribution to our initial operating costs, please make checks payable to APA Division 17—AHI. \$10 or more from most members would result in adequate funding but all donations are entirely voluntary and not necessary for membership.

Note that this form cannot be mailed electronically. Please mail completed application form and any voluntary contribution to:

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Please indicate APA Division(s) in which you hold membership, if any: _____.

The Animal/Human Interaction: Research and Practice Section (AHI) welcomes members and students from the Society of Counseling Psychology and other Divisions of APA. There are three categories of membership that one may apply for:

Member: Any Associate, Member, or Fellow of Division 17

Professional Affiliate: Professional affiliates of Division 17, or Fellows or Members of APA who are not members of the Division

Student Affiliate: Any student affiliated with either Division 17 Student Affiliate Group or APAGS

Please Indicate the Type of Section Membership Sought:

_____ Member

_____ Professional Affiliate

_____ Student Affiliate

We plan to set up a Section website and listserv as soon as possible. Please indicate below if you want to be listed in the member directory on the website and subscribed to the listserv:

Member Directory Y____N____ Listserv Y____N____

Are you willing to participate in the activities (e.g., governance, committees, other activities) of this Section? Y____N____

Please check any areas indicating your research and practice interests by using "R," "P," or "R/P" for both research and practice on the following list:

Animal-assisted activities/therapy (including outpatient psychotherapy, medical/physical therapy, hippotherapy—therapy with horses) _____

Animal-human bond relational and attachment issues (e.g., degrees of bonding, attitudes toward animals) _____

Bereavement reactions to the loss of a companion animal (including providing hospice care for animals, making the decision to euthanize, etc) _____

Cross-cultural aspects of animal/human interactions _____

Developmental features of animal/human interactions (e.g., children and animals, special considerations with elderly-animal interactions) _____

Diagnostic issues associated with animal mistreatment _____

Health benefits of the human-animal bond _____

Link between animal abuse and violence toward humans, particularly family violence _____

Role of animal/human relationships in various treatment modalities and interventions (e.g., treatment interventions using information, stories, metaphors, or relationships with animals in family therapy, use of the client's relationship with a companion animal as a reason to live, etc) _____

Theory, research and treatment of animal abusers _____

Other (please describe) _____

Signature _____ **Date** _____

