

Maryland Same Day Messenger Courier Association continues to provide Industry Leadership in Maryland

In 2009, leading messenger service companies in the State of Maryland came together to found the Maryland Same Day Messenger Courier Association. The purpose of the Association was to protect our industry in Maryland against unfavorable laws being written by the Maryland legislature, as well as against out of state courier companies operating under more favorable laws from coming into the state and taking our business. Our initial lobbying efforts proved successful.

In 2011, MSDMCA drafted, championed, shepherded and ultimately saw enacted legislation that turned the tide in favor of our industry in the state. This legislation sought to codify a comprehensive and reasonable definition of our industry which then gives Maryland messenger company entrepreneurs a clearer understanding of regulations affecting our industry, and provide for a level playing field with other adjoining states. As Maryland Comptroller Peter Franchot wrote in the Baltimore Sun on July 19, 2012 “In addition to holding the line on higher taxes, we must offer employers a consistent and predictable regulatory environment while providing them with responsive customer service.” Comptroller Franchot repeated that sentiment in the Easton Star Democrat on July 29, 2012. In both of these op-ed pieces, he has eloquently articulated our concerns.

So this year, the MSDMCA continues to work with legislators, attend their fundraisers, offer input concerning legislation affecting small business in general, and our industry in particular, and remain visible in Annapolis. Legislators now know our names, and know our industry. We continue to make a mark in Maryland.