The Senior Economic Development Representative (Business Development Option) is a permanent, full-time position with the Alabama Department of Commerce. Positions are located in Montgomery, Alabama. This is independent professional project management work in support of local, regional, or statewide economic development activities for the purpose of recruiting and expanding industry in the state of Alabama.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENT(S)

• Bachelor’s degree from an accredited* four-year college or university in economic development, geography, business administration, marketing, engineering, or a related field
• Five years of responsible economic development experience to include four years managing new or existing industrial/business client projects and providing overall guidance in locating or expanding industry
• To be on the promotional register, applicants must have current, permanent status as an Economic Development Representative – 11357 (Business Development Option – 337) with the Alabama Department of Commerce.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT(S)

• Applicants must possess a valid Alabama driver license and must be able to obtain an international passport.
• Extensive, overnight travel is required for this job.

NOTE(S)

• The required five years of responsible economic development experience must be within the past seven years.
• A graduate degree in economic development, international relations, international business, or a related field will be allowed to substitute for one year of the required experience.
• On the reverse side of this announcement is a required questionnaire. You should attach the completed questionnaire to your application and return it to State Personnel. Applications without the questionnaire attached will not be accepted.

EXAMINATION

• Open-Competitive to all applicants and Promotional to current state employees in the classification listed above
• Evaluation of Training and Experience as shown on the application and the questionnaire

HOW TO APPLY

• Complete an Application for Examination Form available at www.personnel.alabama.gov, the above address, or any Alabama Career Center Office.
• Apply by mail or by fax. Applications will be accepted until further notice. The State Personnel Department is not responsible for late receipt of applications due to mail service or faxing malfunctions.

Veteran’s credits are NOT allowed on promotional examinations. THE STATE OF ALABAMA IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER

*Please refer to the back of this announcement for complete information on State Personnel’s policy for accepting post-secondary and advanced degrees.
Senior Economic Development Representative Experience and Willingness Questionnaire

For each question, please check “YES” or “NO.” If you check “NO,” proceed to the next question. If you check “YES,” provide any additional information requested about your work experience.

YES          NO

_____   _____  1. Have you provided responses to formal site selection requests (e.g., RFP, RFI)?

_____   _____  2. Have you personally been accountable for establishing a full project itinerary?

Frequency (circle one): Monthly    Quarterly    Yearly
Level (circle any that apply): Local    Statewide    National    International

_____   _____  3. Have you personally been accountable for establishing a client mission?

Frequency (circle one): Monthly    Quarterly    Yearly
Level (circle any that apply): Local    Statewide    National    International

_____   _____  4. On what level have you provided overall project management in economic development?

Local    # of Months: ___
Regional    # of Months: ___
State    # of Months: ___
National    # of Months: ___
International    # of Months: ___

_____   _____  5. Do you have overall project management experience with recruiting new or expanding existing industry?

New    # of Months: ___   Percentage of Time: ___
Existing    # of Months: ___   Percentage of Time: ___

_____   _____  6. Are you willing and able to acquire and maintain a valid Alabama driver license with the legally required automobile insurance?

_____   _____  7. Are you willing and able to acquire and maintain an international passport?

_____   _____  8. Are you willing to travel by all means of public, private, and commercial transportation (i.e., plane, helicopter, train, bus, taxi, etc.) to destinations within Alabama, the US, or internationally?

_____   _____  9. Are you willing to maintain strict confidentiality of information, records, reports, and files as outlined in agency policy, honor non-disclosure agreements, and keep information that is classified or confidential undisclosed?

_____   _____  10. Are you willing to participate in excessive, frequent, and/or long-term travel, including nights and weekends, to various domestic and international locations?

_____   _____  11. Are you willing to work one-on-one with individuals of different race, gender, and nationality in non-traditional settings outside of the office, such as in private homes, vehicles, hotel environments, etc.?

_____   _____  12. Are you willing and able to pay up front for necessary travel expenses for extended periods of travel or medical expenses in an emergency situation prior to reimbursement according to State of Alabama reimbursement policy?

_____   _____  13. Are you willing and able to furnish your own automobile for use on the job, if required? (Mileage will be reimbursed.)

Signature: ___________________________________________ Last four numbers of SSN: ______