



## Photographic Alliance of America (PAA)

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The Photographic Alliance of America (PAA) provides specific services for PSA-member clubs, and the members of those clubs who are individual PSA members, in the United States of America (USA). Applying for Distinctions for photographic art from the International Federation of Photographic Art (FIAP) is one of these services and a benefit of PSA membership for PSA members and PSA-member clubs in the USA.

### New FIAP Dossier for 2019

The FIAP Dossier (Application Form) for FIAP Distinctions is a three-page Excel spreadsheet with pages A, B, and C. The contents of each page for 2019 have changed from the previous years.

With a new format, Page A “Administrative Dossier” now includes not only identifying information regarding the country Federation and the candidate such as: name, address, email, date of birth, and FIAP Photographer’s Card Number; it is now the location for the list the images being submitted with the application. This list includes the image titles, the awards the images have received, and the country where the awards were received. Previously this list was submitted on Page B.

Another new aspect of Page A is the need for applicants to include their personal FIAP Platform Profile number in addition to the number on their FIAP Photographer’s Card. This assures FIAP that each applicant has access to the FIAP Platform, similar to access to MyPSA for PSA members.

Page B is now titled “Declaration of Consent and Responsibility.” The first paragraph is a comprehensive statement that outlines where the image with the author’s name may be used including, but not limited to: websites, newsletters, social media, and other electronic or printed materials. The author is waiving their right to inspect or approve the images prior to their use by FIAP.

The second paragraph of Page B identifies the author as the exclusive author/owner of the image, states the image is original work of the author, and agrees that FIAP publishing the image(s) will not violate anyone else’s intellectual property rights. The second paragraph also assures FIAP that, if any people are in the images being submitted, a Model Release has been obtained and can be provided to FIAP if requested. Additionally, the author assumes complete and exclusive responsibility for any lack of consent, whenever and wherever required.

Page B’s third paragraph indemnifies (holds harmless) FIAP and its affiliates, etc., from any third party liability arising from any photo submitted, for example, a third party claim for copyright infringement.

Both pages A and B must be signed and only a true signature, not a copy of a signature, will be accepted. An electronic version of the complete Dossier (Pages A, B, and C) is submitted first. A hard copy of the signed pages A and B are then mailed to the FIAP Distinctions Office by the FIAP Liaison Officer for the USA.

Page C is the “List of Acceptances.” This list includes the image title, title number, salon, country, FIAP number, award earned, and whether digital or print.

### PAA FIAP Distinction Applications Due by March 31

This is PAA’s first year submitting FIAP Distinction applications. All Dossiers are due to the FIAP Liaison Officer for the USA by March 31. All FIAP Distinction Dossiers will be submitted to FIAP at one time during April.

For information regarding the Photographic Alliance of America (PAA): <https://psa-photo.org/index.php?paa>, and follow PAA on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Photographic-Alliance-of-America-1986883941590941/>. ■

The image shows a screenshot of the 'Administrative Dossier' form for FIAP Distinctions. The form is divided into several sections:

- Administrative Dossier:** Includes fields for Name, Address, Email, Date of Birth, and FIAP Card Number. It also has a section for the signature of the person responsible within the Federation.
- Candidate:** Includes fields for Candidate Name, Address, Email, Date of Birth, and FIAP Card Number.
- List of Submitted Works:** A table with columns for Title, Number, and Country.

Administrative Dossier