

# ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATION FOR BOARD APPOINTMENT

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of 10

<p>It is the applicant's responsibility to keep the information on this form current. To advise the County of any changes please contact Christine Coble by telephone at 606-5300 or by e-mail at CobleC@leoncountyfl.gov</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Applications will be discarded if no appointment is made after two years.</p>		
Name: Charles "Chuck" Hobbs II		Date: 9/16/09
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Occupation: Attorney	Employer: Self-employed	
<p><b>Please check box for preferred mailing address.</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Work Address: 1315 East Lafayette Street Suite C</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">City/State/Zip: Tallahassee, Florida 32301</p>		
<p><input type="checkbox"/> Home Address 4262 Raleigh Way</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">City/State/Zip: Tallahassee, Florida 32311</p>		
<p>Do you live in Leon County? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, do you live within the City limits? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Do you own property in Leon County? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, is it located within the City limits? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>For how many years have you lived and/or owned property in Leon County? 22 years</p>		
<p>Are you interested in serving on any specific Committee(s)? If yes, please indicate your preference</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">1st Choice: Charter Review Committee 2nd Choice: Health Advisory Board</p>		
<p>If not interested in any specific Committee(s), are you interested in a specific subject matter? If yes, please check those areas in which you are interested, or describe other areas not listed:</p> <p>Human Services <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing <input type="checkbox"/> Health Care <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Science <input type="checkbox"/> Library Services <input type="checkbox"/> Growth Management <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          Tourist Development <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Bicycle/Pedestrian <input type="checkbox"/> Parks &amp; Recreation <input type="checkbox"/>          Code Enforcement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>          Other Areas _____</p>		
<p>Have you served on any previous Leon County committees? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		
<p>If Yes, on what Committee(s) have you served? _____</p>		
<p>How many days per month would you be willing to commit for Committee work? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 to 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 or more</p> <p>And for how many months would you be willing to commit that amount of time? <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 to 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 or more</p> <p>What time of day would be best for you to attend Committee meetings? <input type="checkbox"/> Day <input type="checkbox"/> Night</p>		
<p><b>(OPTIONAL)</b> Leon County strives to meet its goals, and those contained in various federal and state laws, of maintaining a membership in its Advisory Committees that reflects the diversity of the community. Although strictly optional for Applicant, the following information is needed to meet reporting requirements and attain those goals.</p> <p>Race: <input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian <input type="checkbox"/> African American <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Other</p> <p>Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female Age: _____ Disabled? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p>		
<p>Persons needing a special accommodation to participate in an Advisory Committee should contact Christine Coble by telephone at 606-5300 or e-mail at CobleC@mail.co.leon.fl.us</p>		

In the space below briefly describe or list the following: any previous experience on other Committees; your educational background; your skills and experience you could contribute to a Committee; any of your professional licenses and/or designations and indicate how long you have held them and whether they are effective in Leon County; any charitable or community activities in which you participate; and reasons for your choice of the Committee indicated on this Application. Please attach your resume, if one is available.

SEE ATTACHED RESUME

References (you must provide at least one personal reference who is not a family member):

Name: Circuit Judge Jackie Fulford Telephone: 850.577.4305

Address: Leon County Courthouse Room 365

Name: Jason Gonzalez, Esquire Telephone: 850.425.5334

Address: Ausley & McMullen, 227 South Calhoun Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

**IMPORTANT LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

AS A MEMBER OF AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE, YOU WILL BE OBLIGATED TO FOLLOW ANY APPLICABLE LAWS REGARDING GOVERNMENT-IN-THE-SUNSHINE, CODE OF ETHICS FOR PUBLIC OFFICERS, AND PUBLIC RECORDS DISCLOSURE. THE CONSEQUENCES OF VIOLATING THESE APPLICABLE LAWS INCLUDE CRIMINAL PENALTIES, CIVIL FINES, AND THE VOIDING OF ANY COMMITTEE ACTION AND OF ANY SUBSEQUENT ACTION BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS. IN ORDER TO BE FAMILIAR WITH THESE LAWS AND TO ASSIST YOU IN ANSWERING THE QUESTIONS BELOW, YOU MUST COMPLETE AN ORIENTATION BEFORE YOUR APPLICATION IS DEEMED COMPLETE.

Have you completed the Orientation?  Yes  No

Are you willing to complete a financial disclosure form, if applicable?  Yes  No

Will you be receiving any compensation that is expected to influence your vote, action, or participation on a Committee?  Yes  No If yes, from whom? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you anticipate that you would be a stakeholder with regard to your participation on a Committee?  Yes  No

Do you know of any circumstances that would result in you having to abstain from voting on a Committee due to voting conflicts?  Yes  No If yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

Do you or your employer, or your wife or child or their employers, do business with Leon County?  Yes  No If yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any employment or contractual relationship with Leon County that would create a continuing or frequently recurring conflict with regard to your participation on a Committee?  Yes  No If yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

All statements and information provided in this application are true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return Application to Christine Coble, Agenda Coordinator  
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Tallahassee, FL 32301

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**EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

- 1998 JD, University of Florida Levin College of Law, Gainesville, Florida
- 1995 MA, Florida A&M University, Tallahassee, Florida  
Major Area of Study: Applied Social Sciences  
Minor Area of Study: U.S. History
- 1994 BA, Morehouse College, Atlanta, Georgia  
Major Area of Study: History

**ADVANCED STUDY**

**"Preservation of Error"** Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education [CLE], Tallahassee, Florida.  
**"Basic Appellate Practice"** Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education [CLE], Tallahassee, Florida.  
**"Solo and Small Firm Day"** Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education [CLE], Tallahassee, Florida.  
**"Commitment to Excellence"** Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education [CLE], Tallahassee, Florida.  
**"Real Estate Law"** Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education [CLE], Tallahassee, Florida.  
2004 **"Basic Probate Law"** Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education [CLE], Tallahassee, Florida.  
**"Advanced Evidence"** Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education [CLE], Tallahassee, Florida.  
**"Basic Federal Criminal Procedure"** Florida Bar Continuing Legal Education [CLE], Tallahassee, Florida.

**ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

January 2009-  
July 2009

**Director, Pre-Law Program**  
College of Arts and Sciences, Florida A&M University

Duties: Provided administrative oversight for the Pathway to Law program. Provided budget oversight for \$300,000 Title III grant. Helped develop innovative curriculum to prepare students for matriculation in law school. Solicited support from law firms and state agencies to provide

internship opportunities and scholarships for deserving students. Served as liaison between the main campus and the FAMU College of Law.

2004-2005

**Adjunct Professor, Contemporary Legal Topics**  
College of Arts and Sciences, Florida A&M University

**Duties:** Provided instruction concerning contemporary legal problems in both state and national government. An emphasis was placed upon students gaining insight into the legislative and judicial processes and their collective effects on the black community. Students further enhanced their analytical skills in preparation for graduate/law school. Students were also afforded the opportunity to attend court sessions and develop insight into criminal trials, including mandatory sentencing for certain offenders.

2003-2004

**Adjunct Professor, Blacks and the Political Process**  
College of Arts and Sciences, Florida A&M University

**Duties:** Discussed the role of free blacks in Antebellum America and the Abolitionist Movement. Discussed the early experiences of blacks as members of the Republican Party during Reconstruction. Analyzed the roots of black migration to the Democratic Party during the Civil Rights Movement. Discussed the roles of race and class in current public policy.

2000-2002

**Adjunct Professor, Juvenile Law and Procedure**  
College of Arts and Sciences, Florida A&M University

**Duties:** Provided instruction to upper division criminal justice majors concerning the history of criminal law as it relates to child offenders in the United States. Students mastered the intricacies of juvenile procedure in Florida from arrest to post sentence aftercare. Provided clinical experience for students who had the opportunity to observe criminal trials in which I served as lead counsel.

1997-1998

**Instructor, Street Law Program, Community Outreach Partnership Center (COPC)**  
University of Florida - Shimberg Center for Affordable Housing

**Duties:** While completing requirements for the juris doctor, provided instruction in civics and history to approximately twenty disadvantaged children residing in Gainesville's historic Fifth Avenue-Pleasant Street Community.

**LEGAL EXPERIENCE**

2006-present      **Law Offices of Charles E. Hobbs II**  
2001-2004      Tallahassee, FL

**Duties:** General practitioner with an emphasis in civil litigation and criminal defense. Practice encompasses the Second Judicial Circuit including Leon County as well as Federal court. Litigated two cases to completion on CourtTV: State vs. Adrian McPherson (co-counsel) in 2003 and the Kappa Hazing case in 2006.

Serve as special public defender in hundreds of criminal cases ranging in complexity from murder and sexual battery to petit theft and possession of illicit narcotics. Represent defendants in Federal court accused of intellectual property crimes, drug trafficking crimes as well as cyber crimes impacting the distribution of federal student aid. Served as lead or co-counsel in over 70 trials in State and Federal courts. Drafted appellate briefs in direct appeals of criminal verdicts at the district court level.

As a civil lawyer, have provided representation in personal injury cases that resulted in millions of dollars in damages being awarded to injured clients. Drafted and probated wills. Represented individuals in dependency actions. Represented individuals in dissolution of marriage cases and custody actions.

Associate General Counsel and Chair of the Legal Redress Committee for the Florida State Conference of Branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. In that capacity provide legal counsel on a number of civil rights issues and cases including the Martin Lee Anderson Boot Camp case and the Florida "No Match-No Vote" Law, in which we argued that the same was a violation of Federal Help America Vote Act [HAVA]. Environmental justice initiatives included a collaborative effort with environmental advocacy groups to ensure that proposed alternative energy plants and waste management sites adhere to federal and state laws. Participate in legislative and executive hearings when necessary. Assist in the vetting of qualified minority judicial applicants to judicial nominating commissions and the Executive Office of the Governor.

2004-2006

**Knowles & Randolph, PA**  
Tallahassee, FL

**Duties:** Associate attorney and co-counsel in the firm's personal injury division. A number of personal injury cases, declaratory judgment actions as well as probate. Provided representation of clients in both state and Federal courts. Provided representation for individuals accused of committing criminal offenses.

2000-2001

**Frank E. Sheffield, PA**  
Tallahassee, FL

**Duties:** Associate attorney for sole practitioner specializing in criminal defense. Provided representation to over 400 clients on a variety of criminal infractions in Leon County, Florida. Provided legal research and drafted pleadings in several civil areas, including Landlord and Tenant disputes.

1998-99/00

**Office of the State Attorney, Second Judicial Circuit of Florida**  
Tallahassee, FL

**Duties:** Assistant State Attorney for the Second Judicial Circuit. Served as a prosecutor in the misdemeanor and traffic divisions for Leon County. Prosecuted thousands of cases ranging from Driving Under the Influence (DUI) to Domestic Battery. Handled a variety of violation of probation cases, as well as diversion program cases for first-time offenders.

#### **TASK FORCES / COMMITTEES**

2004-2006	Florida Bar, Student Education and Retention Committee
2007-2008	FAMU Developmental Research School Task Force
2007-2008	Chair, Legal Redress Committee, Florida State Conference of Branches of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
2009-present	Florida Attorney General Bill McCollum's Gang Reduction Task Force Region 7.

**PUBLICATIONS / MEDIA APPEARANCES**

2004 – present

*Capital Outlook* newspaper

“Loads to Lift” column

Provide political and social commentary for weekly newspaper serving the African-American community.

Editorial: “Outsiders Bring Violence to FAMU campus”, *Tallahassee Democrat*, September 10, 2009.

Editorial: “Racial Profiling Back in the Spotlight”, *Tallahassee Democrat*, July 23, 2009.

Editorial: “Brown vs. Board of Education Anniversary, we’ve yet so far to go”, *Tallahassee Democrat*, May 21, 2009

Editorial: “NAACP celebrates 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary”, *Tallahassee Democrat* February 12, 2009.

Editorial: “Diversity in judges should be our goal”, *Tallahassee Democrat* January 2, 2009.

Editorial: “Keep our Judiciary Diverse and Qualified”, *Tallahassee Democrat*, December 11, 2008.

Editorial: “Election Proves the Power of Integration”, *Tallahassee Democrat*, November 6, 2008.

Editorial: “Florida NAACP recalls acquittal in Martin Lee Anderson Case”, *Tallahassee Democrat*, October 14, 2008.

Editorial: “Congressional Apology for Slavery is Hollow”, *Tallahassee Democrat*, August 2, 2008.

Editorial: “Chief Justice Peggy Quince adds footnote to history” *Tallahassee Democrat*, June 27, 2008; *Miami Herald*, July 5, 2008; *Florida Courier*, July 5, 2008.

Editorial: “Sean Taylor: NFL star’s murder tragic in more ways than one” *Naples Daily News*, December 14, 2007.

Editorial: “Comments on the Martin Lee Anderson verdict” in *Tampa Tribune*, *Florida Times-Union*, *Orlando Sentinel*, October 2007.

Editorial: “Immigration Policy” *Florida Courier*. May 2006

*Florida Vibrations*, Roundtable Panel Member, July 2009-present.

*The Big Show*, Fox News, Comments on Kappa Hazing case sentencing January 31, 2007.

*The Best Defense* Court TV October 12, 2007 Comments on Martin Lee Anderson trial.

*The Best Defense* Court TV December 4, 2006. Guest Speaker, Kappa Hazing Case.

*Preston Scott Radio Show*, 100.7 FM Guest Speaker, October 12, 2006.

*Mike Vasillinda Show*, Guest Speaker Florida News Network, July 2, 2003, commentary on the Adrian McPherson Gambling case.

**PRESENTATIONS**

- April 1998            Panelist, North Star Leadership Conference, University of Florida Black Student Union, Gainesville, Florida.
  
- April 2005            Panelist, Leon County Commissioner Bill Proctor's Town Hall meeting on Police abuse of Tasers, Bethel AME Church, Tallahassee, Florida.
  
- September 2007      Guest Speaker, Risk Management and Hazing, Southern Province of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated C. Rodger Wilson Leadership Conference, Tallahassee, Florida.
  
- January 2008        Keynote Speaker, Founder's Day, Fort Walton Beach Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated, Fort Walton Beach, Florida.
  
- September 2008     Guest Speaker, "Observations from the 2008 Republican National Convention"; 100 Black Men of Atlanta Football Classic debate competition.
  
- October 2008        Panelist, "Support Our Businesses", The Phoenicians of the Omega Xi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Psi Professional Business Fraternity, Incorporated.
  
- January 2009        Keynote Speaker, Celebration of a Dream, Leon County Commission Martin Luther King Day Celebration, Tallahassee, Florida.
  
- February 2009      Keynote Speaker, Black History Month Program, Casa Bianca Missionary Baptist Church, Monticello, Florida.

**AWARDS**

- 2007 "Advocacy Award" winner 100 Black Men of America, Tallahassee Area Chapter
- 2007 Florida Bar Media Awards "Honorable Mention" for article entitled "How the Legal System will provide a forum for redress in the Martin Lee Anderson Case"
- 2004 Inductee, Inaugural Hall of Fame Class, Honda Campus All-Star Challenge.

**AFFILIATIONS**

- Bethel Missionary Baptist Church
- The Florida Bar
- The United States District Court for the Northern District of Florida
- The Federalist Society
- Florida Supreme Court Historical Society
- Tallahassee Branch of the NAACP
- Tallahassee Area Chapter of 100 Black Men of America
- Republican Party
- Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., Tallahassee Alumni Chapter

**REFERENCES**

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