

# ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATION FOR BOARD APPOINTMENT

<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: <u>PATRICIA T. THOMAS</u>		Date: <u>2/9/10</u>
Home Phone: <u>386-9475</u>	Cell Phone: <u>559-1938</u>	Email: <u>MICHAELRALPH1234@AOL.COM</u>
Occupation: <u>RETIRED</u>	Employer: _____	
Please check box for preferred mailing address.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work Address:		
City/State/Zip: _____		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Home Address <u>2985 TETON TRAIL</u>		
City/State/Zip: <u>TALLAHASSEE, FL 32303</u>		
Do you live in Leon County? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, do you live within the City limits? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
Do you own property in Leon County? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, is it located within the City limits? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
For how many years have you lived and/or owned property in Leon County? <u>43</u> years		
Are you interested in serving on any specific Committee(s)? If yes, please indicate your preference		
1st Choice: <u>Leon County Senior Outreach</u> 2nd Choice: <del>_____</del>		
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:		
Human Services <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Housing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health Care <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Science <input type="checkbox"/> Library Services <input type="checkbox"/> Growth Management <input type="checkbox"/> Tourist Development <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bicycle/Pedestrian <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Parks & Recreation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Code Enforcement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other Areas _____		
Have you served on any previous Leon County committees? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
If Yes, on what Committee(s) have you served? _____		
How many days per month would you be willing to commit for Committee work? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 to 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 or more		
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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> 6 or more		
What time of day would be best for you to attend Committee meetings? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Day <input type="checkbox"/> Night		

(OPTIONAL) 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.

Race:  Caucasian  African American  Hispanic  Asian  Other  
 Sex:  Male  Female Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Disabled?  Yes  No

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@leoncountyfl.gov

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.

*I have been living in Leon County since 1967 when I came here as a student. We have been property owners since 1973 when we purchase our first home on the southside. I have seen much change - not necessarily for the best. Currently I am very involved in being a volunteer & participant @ the St. Center, my church & summer food pantry in partnership w/*

References (you must provide at least one personal reference who is not a family member): *list what isn't happening in NW Leon.*

Name: Mrs. Teresa Elberhardt Telephone: 562-1595  
 Address: 3413 Old Bankridge Apt., Tallahassee, Fla. 32303

Name: Mrs. Cheryl Phoenix, ASH Telephone: 562-3033  
 Address: 4016 NW Passage, Tallahassee, Fla. 32303

**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 spouse 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 Patricia T. Thomas

Please return Application to  
Christine Coble, Agenda Coordinator  
Leon County Board of County Commissioners  
301 South Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32301

**Patricia T. Thomas**  
2985 Teton Trail, Tallahassee, Florida, 32303, (850)386-9475

### ***Objective***

I am applying to serve on the Leon County Senior Outreach Committee in order to bring greater services to the Sr. Citizens of Leon County by utilizing the education and experience that I have gleaned through the formal and informal educational in the 42 years I have lived in this county.

### ***Education and Additional Skills***

AA St. Petersburg Jr. College, St. Petersburg, Fla. - 1966  
BA Florida State University, Tallahassee, Fla. - 1968  
MSW Florida State University, Tallahassee, Fla. - 1997  
Certificate in Gerontology, FSU, Tallahassee, Fla. - 1997  
Class 2 Graduate TALL 2009  
Some Spanish  
Working use of Computer and Word Processing

### ***Current Community Service***

**Active Member and Volunteer Sr. Center-** weekly "meet and greet" people as they come in and give them a tour and get them oriented if they have time. Past volunteer coordinator of the Adventure Club, the Chat Group and the Canasta Group.

**Active Member and Volunteer WFSU** - answer the phone and take telephone pledges at "pledge Time".  
**Active member St. Francis of Assissi Episcopal Church** - Director of Feed My Sheep Program which is a partner Food Pantry with ASH of the Big Bend. We are currently serving an average of 175 recipient families per month Also involved with Altar Guild , after church refreshments, DOK, etc.

**Active member of the Florida Trail Association** - enjoy hikes in the area and supporting the environment  
**Active Volunteer with the Homeless Coalition** - volunteered with the annual Thanksgiving Dinner at HOPE.

**Active Volunteer with 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest** - helped with 14 county "Still hungry in America" survey in first part of 2009, helped with the New Year's "Get Down" and Direct one of the partner agency pantries.

**Active Member of National Wildlife Federation** - I keep a "Florida Friendly Yard" and have also had our church yard certified and help keep it that way.

### ***Professional Experience***

#### ***Summary***

My whole professional life was working in the field of Human Services with the State of Florida -35 1/2 years. I worked at FSH in the Social Services Release Unit, developed Foster Homes and Group Homes in the community, was the first Adult Abuse investigator in Leon County, worked in Children's Protective Services and Economic Services. At one time I was the only Full time Supervisor for all programs in Jefferson County. Prior to retiring I worked the Competency to Proceed Program for all 8 surrounding counties for Developmental Disabilities and did monthly Group Home inspections.

Of all of the jobs that I have held, I enjoyed my time at FSH and working with the Aging and Adult Program the most. Therefore, when I went back to school and got my MSW, I took my electives in the Aging Program and earned a Certificate in Gerontology and did my internship at Elder Care.