

ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATION FOR BOARD APPOINTMENT

<p style="text-align: center;">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 Applications will be discarded if no appointment is made after two years.</p>		
Name: Patricia A. Smith		Date:
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Occupation: Press Secretary	Employer: Florida Dept. of Children and Families (DCF)	
Please check box for preferred mailing address.		
Work Address: 1317 Winewood Boulevard, Building 2, Suite 202		
City/State/Zip: Tallahassee, Florida 32399		
Home Address: 5427 Appledore Lane		
City/State/Zip: Tallahassee, Florida 32309		
Do you live in Leon County? Yes If yes, do you live within the City limits? Yes		
Do you own property in Leon County? Yes If yes, is it located within the City limits? Yes		
For how many years have you lived in and/or owned property in Leon County? 24 years		
Are you interested in serving on any specific Committee(s)? If yes, please indicate your preference		
1st Choice: <u>Leon County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls</u>		
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:		
Culture and Arts ___ Environmental/ Growth Management ___ Health Care ___ Human Relations ___		
Human Services ___ Housing ___ Library Services ___		
Other Areas _____		
Have you served on any previous Leon County committees? No		
If Yes, on what Committee(s) have you served? _____		
How many days per month would you be willing to commit for Committee work? 3 or more		
And for how many months would you be willing to commit that amount of time? 6 or more		
What time of day would be best for you to attend Committee meetings? Either Day or Night (I'm flexible)		
<p><i>(OPTIONAL)</i> 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> Race: African American Sex: Female Age: 50 Disabled? No District Northeast Tallahassee		
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.

Dear Leon County Commissioners:

I am Pat Smith, press secretary for the Florida Department of Children and Families, and I have a heart to help women and children. I would like to serve on the newly established Leon County Status of Women and Girls Board. I believe I have unique qualifications that make me a perfect candidate for the kind of individual you are seeking. For the past ten years, I have exhibited leadership in one or more of the following local non-profit organizations: Tallahassee Girls and Boys Club, the Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce Professional Women's Forum and Radio Talk Show host of the "Woman In You" (Real Women, Real Issues and Real Talk). My involvement in these outstanding organizations has enabled me to continually commit to the empowerment, education and leadership of women. I am willing to serve in your organization by taking on a leadership role and work towards encouraging the members to fulfill the mission and vision you have established.

I am very active in my church, civic and other professional organizations as opportunities arise; and I strive to make time for new projects and organizations that are addressing current issues of importance. Serving on other previous local boards such as the Big Bend Hospice Community Outreach Council and the Big Bend Anti-Bullying Task Force has increased my interest in city and state leadership issues. I believe the experience I have gained over the years now enable me to take on additional responsibilities without sacrificing my dedication to the organizations to which I am already are committed.

I was recently recognized by the Tallahassee Democrat as one of Tallahassee's 25 Women you need to know. In 2006, I was nominated as a finalist for the Distinguished Leadership Pacesetter Award and the recipient of the 1999 NAACP, Black Achiever Award.

I would greatly appreciate your favorable consideration to serve on the Leon County Status of Women and Girls Board. I have also attached a copy of my resume for your information. Should you need any additional information regarding my submission please feel free to contact me at (850) 322-5577 cellular.

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

Name: Thelma Crump, former Florida Commissioner on the Status of Women Telephone: 850-413-7087

Address: 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd., Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Name: Judge Nina Ashenafi Richardson Telephone: 850-577-4316

Address: Leon County Courthouse 301 South Monroe 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 FOLLOWING QUESTIONS, YOU MUST COMPLETE THE ORIENTATION PUBLICATION www.leoncountyfl.gov/bcc/committees/training.asp BEFORE YOUR APPLICATION IS DEEMED COMPLETE.

Have you completed the Orientation? No

Are you willing to complete a financial disclosure form and/or a background check, if applicable? Yes

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

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

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

Do you or your employer, or your spouse or child or their employers, do business with Leon County? Yes

If yes, please explain. My husband works for a local Management Consulting Business (MGT), and they have done business in the past with Leon County.

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? No

If yes, please explain _____

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

Signature: *Patricia A. Smith*

Date: April 22, 2011

Please return Application

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