

ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATION FOR BOARD APPOINTMENT

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.		
Name: Robin Hassler Thompson		Date: April 22, 2011
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Occupation: Attorney/consultant	Employer: Self /Robin H. Thompson & Associates	
Please check box for preferred mailing address.		
<input type="checkbox"/> Work Address: 3703 Bobbin Brook Way		
City/State/Zip: Tallahassee, FL 32312		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Home Address 3703 Bobbin Brook Way		
City/State/Zip: Tallahassee, FL 32312		
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 type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
For how many years have you lived in and/or owned property in Leon County? <u>24+</u> years		
Are you interested in serving on any specific Committee(s)? If yes, please indicate your preference		
1st Choice: <u>Commission on Status of Women and Girls</u> 2nd Choice: _____		
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? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
If Yes, on what Committee(s) have you served? <u>Human Services Grants Committee</u>		
How many days per month would you be willing to commit for Committee work? <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" 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 checked="" 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: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caucasian <input type="checkbox"/> African American <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Other		
Sex: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Female Age: _____ Disabled? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
District <u>4</u>		
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 involved with issues regarding the rights of women and girls for the majority of my career. I led the Florida Governor's Task Force on Domestic and Sexual Violence from 1994-1998 and during that time served on the Florida Supreme Court's Gender Bias Implementation Committee. My professional expertise and my volunteer work principally involve human rights and include a strong focus on both women's rights and anti-human trafficking efforts. I served as a staff director for 4 years in the Florida House and am familiar with the organization and operation of committees. I've authored, co-authored and edited numerous reports detailing the status of Florida law and policy in areas relevant to this Commission's proposed work including three statewide reports on domestic and sexual violence and two recent reports on human trafficking in Florida. I've been a member of the Florida Bar since 1984, currently am a board member of the Zonta Club of Tallahassee and a recent honoree of the "25 Women You Need to Know" recognition by the Tallahassee Democrat. It is extremely important that our area have a Commission on the Status of Women and Girls. Historically, similar bodies have literally been the only and strongest voices to promote the voices and opportunities for women and girls in society. I also believe that my background and experience, and personal and professional interests mesh well with the goal of promoting awareness about the opportunities and needs facing women and girls and therefore all of us in society.

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

Name: Marjorie Turnbull Telephone: 850-385-4184

Address: 3221 East Lakeshore Drive, Tallahassee, FL 32312

Name: Steven Vancore Telephone: 850-681-8530

Address: 122 South Calhoun St, Tallahassee, FL 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? Yes No

Are you willing to complete a financial disclosure form and/or a background check, 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: _____ Robin Hasler Thompson _____

Please return Application

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