

ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATION FOR BOARD APPOINTMENT

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Applications will be discarded if no appointment is made after two years.

Name: Sarah Wilson		Date: 21-Nov-2013
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Occupation:CONSULTANT / BUSINESS OWN		Employer: THATCHER MATHIAS
Preferred mailing location: Work Address Work Address: 3101 SHARER ROAD		
City/State/Zip: TALLAHASSEE FL 32312		
Home Address 3101 SHARER ROAD		
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Do you live in Leon County? Yes If yes, do you live within the City limits? No		
Do you own property in Leon County? Yes If yes, is it located within the City limits? No		
For how many years have you lived in and/or owned property in Leon County? 34.00years		
Are you currently serving on a County Advisory Committee? No		
If yes, on what Committee(s) are you a member?		
Have you served on any previous Leon County committees? No		
If yes, on what Committee(s) are you a member?		
Are you interested in serving on any specific Committee(s)? If yes, please indicate your preference		
1st Choice: Commission on the Status of Women and Girls2nd Choice:Joint City/County Bicycle Working Group		
What cultural arts organization do you represent, if any?		
If not interested in any specific Committee(s), are you interested in a specific subject matter? If yes, please note those areas in which you are interested:		
TOO MANY TO LIST WITH ONLY TWO CHOICES! INTERESTED IN THE SUCCESS OF WOMEN IN THE ECONOMY, E		
<u>If you are appointed to a Committee, you are expected to attend regular meetings.</u>		
How many days permonth would you be willing to commit for Committee work? 2 to 3		
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? Day, 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	Sex:Female	Age: 39
Disabled? No	District: District 3	

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.

I USED TO BE MUCH MORE INVOLVED IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY, THEN ENTERED A PROFESSION THAT DEMANDED TRAVEL AND FULL ATTENTION. I WAS ESSENTIALLY OUT OF THE COMMUNITY FOR NEARLY A DECADE. THIS PAST MAY I LEFT THAT WORK AND STARTED MY OWN COMPANY HERE LOCALLY AND ONE OF THE MAJOR DRIVERS WAS A DESIRE TO RE-ENGAGE IN MY OWN TOWN.

MY BACKGROUND IS IN TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT CONSULTING, WITH AN EMPHASIS ON STRATEGIC PLANNING, PROJECT MANAGEMENT, ORGANIZATIONAL AND PROCESS DESIGN AND CHANGE MANAGEMENT. I HAVE WORKED IN GOVERNMENT AGENCIES FOR MORE THAN 15 YEARS AND MOST OF THAT TIME I HAVE WORKED IN THE TRANSITION SPACES WHERE GOVERNMENT INTERACTS WITH THE PUBLIC. I HAVE AN AVID INTEREST IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - PARTICULARLY IN THE WAYS THAT GOVERNMENT CAN ENCOURAGE OR DISCOURAGE NEW ACTIVITY WITH ITS POLICIES.

I WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE TO JOIN THE COMMISSION, PARTICULARLY TO WORK ON THE ISSUES OF WOMENS' FULL INVOLVEMENT IN THE ECONOMY AND POLITICS. I AM A MEMBER OF THE 2013-14 WOMEN CAN RUN COHORT, OPERATING THROUGH THE OASIS CENTER FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS. I ATTENDED AND VOLUNTEERED AT THE CONFERENCE ON WOMEN AND THE WORKPLACE AND I CAN SEE SO MANY OPPORTUNITIES TO GET INVOLVED IN A POSITIVE WAY TOWARDS THIS WORK.

FOR MY OTHER INTERESTS, I AM A CYCLIST, TRIATHLETE AND MY HUSBAND AND I ARE VERY ACTIVE IN THE LOCAL MOUNTAIN BIKING ASSOCIATION. WE ARE ACTIVE AND LOVE THE AREA AND ALWAYS ENJOY SHARING OUR TOWN WITH PEOPLE THAT MAY NOT KNOW IT LIKE WE DO.

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

Name: LIZ JOYNER Telephone: (850) 264-0601
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Name: Telephone:
Address:

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? Yes

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? 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? No

If yes, please explain.

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

Signature: Sarah K. Wilson

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Education, Licenses & Certifications

- BFA, Florida State University (FSU)
- Project Mgmt. Professional (PMP®)
- Leadership Tallahassee, Class 26

Community Activities

- Board Member, The Magnolia School, 2013 - present
- Leadership Tallahassee Planning Committee, Building Better Boards 2012, 2013
- Board Member, Brehon Institute for Family Services, 2009-2011
- 2009-2010 KCCI Community Catalyst
- Community Human Services Partnership 2009, 2010
- Member, Gulf Winds Triathletes
- Volunteer, To The Village Square

Public Speaking

Ms. Wilson is a dynamic public speaker who has addressed local, state and national audiences including:

- The Florida Public Service Commission
- The American Public Power Association (APPA)
- The National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors (NATOA)
- The Florida Government Technology Conference
- Leadership Tallahassee Building Better Boards
- City and County Commissions, Florida Legislature

Personal Interests

- Triathlons (Swim, Bike, Run)
- Mountain Biking
- Kayaking
- Good food
- Adventures with my husband and kids

Business Accelerator, Strategist, Leader

Sarah Wilson is a certified Project Management Professional with 17 years experience innovating at the intersection where business and government connects. She is a skilled facilitator who has made government work better for its citizens and given generously to her community. She is a charismatic writer and speaker who can weave the narrative of an organization for employees, journalists, clients, investors and legislators. She is the person you want for your big pitch, launching your critical project, or by your side in a crisis.

Her strengths lie in communication, innovation, teambuilding and facilitation. She sees the connections and commonalities in processes, systems, objectives or outcomes and exploits them to effect positive change in an organization. Good ideas rarely fail because they turn out to be bad ideas – they fail because people didn't believe in them or know how to achieve them.

Sarah's gift is finding good ideas and making them reality.

Work History

Thatcher Mathias

2013 – present

President

Owner of an independent project management, change management, process design and strategic planning consulting firm. Current projects include advising a healthcare technology transfer project with Florida State; co-authoring *Remembering the Future* which re-defines strategic planning methodologies using memory as a template; restructuring a mid-size technology organization, managing a multi-year government software implementation project and supporting a business accelerator.

KPMG, LLP

2007-2013

Director, Management Consulting – Performance and Technology practice

Ms. Wilson was responsible for leading business development and delivery within the state of Florida. By developing relationships and delivering value to clients, she increased revenues ten fold in three years. She sold and delivered projects for clients in government, finance, manufacturing, retail, healthcare and insurance industries. She used strategic planning, process re-engineering, organizational design, information technology, cost optimization and change management to transform operations and add tens of millions of dollars to her clients' bottom lines.

Enterprise Technology Partners

2006-2007

North Florida Market Director

Ms. Wilson grew revenues for this Orlando-based technology and management consulting firm ~300% in ten months. She delivered technology and process improvement engagements and maintained relationships that the firm's founder, a former Ryder Corp. executive and board member of the Florida Chamber of Commerce, valued in Tallahassee.

Citizens Property Insurance Corporation

2004-2006

Special Projects Manager / Business Analyst Manager

Ms. Wilson led the planning and re-engineering of catastrophe claims operations for Citizens following record-setting storm seasons in 2004 and 2005. Upon implementation, Citizens handled a 42% increase in claim volume with a 30% decrease in response times in 2005 versus 2004. The claims business unit estimated cost savings from reduced contractors at approximately \$14 million.

Mainline Information Systems

1999-2004

Special Projects Manager (previously Application Architect, Java Developer)

Ms. Wilson was one of a small group of programmers acquired by Mainline Information Systems in 1999. The subsidiary NCGi created software products for the market and developed custom applications for clients. In three years NCGi grew 600%.

In 2002, Ms. Wilson was given the opportunity to create and promote the Digital Canopy and develop Mainline's wireless service offering. She was responsible for concept development, marketing, press, funding, business and staff management and research. The Digital Canopy was the joint effort of 32 organizations that donated time, effort and materials to construct one of the nation's first public wireless networks in Tallahassee, Florida. Following the launch of the project, Ms. Wilson spent the next year promoting the project and Tallahassee to National and Regional audiences.