

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATION FOR BOARD APPOINTMENT**

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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.

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Occupation: Dispute Resolution Professional		Employer: Florida State University
Preferred mailing location: Home Address		
Work Address:		
City/State/Zip:	TALLAHASSEE	FL
Home Address		
City/State/Zip:	TALLAHASSEE	
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?		38.00years
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? Yes		
If yes, on what Committee(s) are you a member? Leon County Code Enforcement Board		
Are you interested in serving on any specific Committee(s)? If yes, please indicate your preference		
1st Choice: Planning Commission		2nd Choice: Adjustment and Appeals Board
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:		
<b><u>If you are appointed to a Committee, you are expected to attend regular meetings.</u></b>		
How many days permonth would you be willing to commit for Committee work? 4 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? Day, Night		
<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.		
Race: Caucasian	Sex:	Age: 60
Disabled? No	District: District 4	

**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.**

Examples of Committee Experience:

Leon County Code Enforcement Board (served as chair twice)  
Leon County Food Coop (New Leaf Market) Board of Directors  
Neighborhood Justice Center Mediator  
Leon County Mediation Program co-developor  
Facilitated over 150 committees and over 2000 meetings professionally.

Educational Background:

Conflict Resolution Graduate Program: Florida State University  
Bachelors of Science in Social Policy—Advanced Standing Program: Florida State University (Honors)  
Associate of Arts: University of Florida  
Mediation and Conflict Resolution. 40 Hours. William F. Lincoln. TCC. November 1982.  
Certification from National Center for Collaborative Planning and Community Services. July 1983.  
Advanced Dispute Resolution. 20 Hours. William F. Lincoln. TCC. March, 1984.

Dispute Resolution Center, Florida Supreme Court. Mediator Training. 20 Hours. October 1998.  
Planning Dispute Resolution. Florida State University. Urban and Regional Planning Graduate Program. 1999. Page 2 of 5  
Neighborhood Justice Center. FSU. 1999.

U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution, National Roster of Environmental Dispute Resolution and  
Consensus Building Professionals qualified/approved practitioner  
Qualified/approved practitioner on EPA's Environmental ADR Neutrals Roster

Certifications Effective in Leon County:

Florida Supreme Court Certified Mediator 1999  
Certified General Contractor 1982

Examples of Community Volunteer Activities:

Leon County Mediation Program. 1999. Designed program (process) and related brochure for a Leon County  
Florida mediation program for development review disputes.

Leon County Code Enforcement Board. 1989 – 1997. Chaired quasi-judicial review board hearing cases of  
alleged violations of county ordinances (including environmental, zoning, housing and junk).

Community Interests, Inc.—New Leaf Market (Leon County Food Coop). 1977 – 1998. Served on Board of  
Directors: served as BPD Chair, Secretary and President of member-owned natural foods market. Served as  
Board of Directors' facilitator for over ten years.

Americorps. Served as project leader, and coordinated services of workers in renovating and providing  
renovations and repairs to the homes of low-income families

Habitat for Humanity. Served as project leader, and coordinated services of workers in renovating and  
providing homes to low-income families.

Rainbow-Rehab. Served as project leader, and coordinated services of workers in renovating a

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

Name: ROBERT JONES Telephone: 850-597-1197  
Address: 183 ROSEHILL WEST, TALLAHASSEE, FL

Name: PAM HALL Telephone: 850-445-6007  
Address: TALLAHASSEE, FL

**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](http://www.leoncountyfl.gov/bcc/committees/training.asp) BEFORE YOUR APPLICATION IS DEEMED COMPLETE.**

Have you completed the Orientation? Yes

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? 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: Jeff Blair

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## BIO

**JEFF A. BLAIR** is faculty at Florida State University, and serves as Associate Director for the FCRC Consensus Center. He is principle and owner of *Facilitated Solutions* a consulting company specializing in stakeholder advisory groups, visioning, workplan (strategic action plan) development and strategic planning initiatives. His work for the Center and *Facilitated Solutions* includes facilitation, process design, strategic planning, and consensus-building on complex public policy initiatives. He has worked with federal, state, local government, and private sector representatives to design and implement collaborative approaches to planning, rule making, and dispute resolution with an emphasis on public participation in the design and implementation of policy in over 150 projects and over 2000 meetings. In addition, he teaches classes and conducts trainings in various dispute resolution topics. Ongoing projects include serving as lead facilitator and conflict resolution consultant for agency stakeholder advisory councils and commissions such as the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (FDACS) Pest Control Enforcement Advisory Council, Pesticide Review Council, FDACS Agricultural Feed, Seed and Fertilizer Advisory Council, and the Florida Coordinating Council on Mosquito Control, and DBPR's Florida Building Commission including facilitating over 58 special issue stakeholder workgroup projects for the Commission and a total of over 900 individual meetings for the Commission since 1999. He facilitated the Florida Division of Emergency Management's Flood Resistant Standards Workgroup and the Florida Emergency Notification System Vision Workshop. He has done work for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) including the National Saltwater Recreational Fishing Summit, Deepwater BP Oil Spill Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement scoping workshops, NOAA Fisheries Chesapeake Modeling Symposium and the Gulf of Mexico Grouper Forum. Work for United States Environmental Protections Agency (USEPA) includes the National Bedbug Summit and the International Public Health Pesticides Workshop in London, England. Work for the private sector includes designing and facilitating the Recreational Boating Stakeholders Growth Summit, and working with National Pest Management Association (NPMA), National Marine Manufactures Association (NMMA), Association for Structural Pest Control Regulatory Officials (ASPCRO), Association of American Plant Food Control Officials (AAPFCO), Florida Green Building Coalition (FGBC), and National Association of Home Builders (NAHB). Mr. Blair has provided facilitation, planning, and process design for numerous agencies, entities, non-profit organizations and associations since 1977. He is a Florida Certified General Contractor and operated a successful design-build firm in Tallahassee Florida from 1980 – 1998 winning the parade of homes three times. He is a graduate of the University of Florida (Philosophy and Anthropology) and the Florida State University (Social Policy and Dispute Resolution).

### RELATED SKILLS

- U.S. Institute for Environmental Conflict Resolution, National Roster of Environmental Dispute Resolution and Consensus Building Professionals qualified/approved practitioner <http://www.ecr.gov/Resources/Roster/Roster.aspx>
- Qualified/approved practitioner on EPA's Environmental ADR Neutrals Roster
- Florida Supreme Court Certified Mediator [http://www.flcourts.org/gen\\_public/adr/certify.shtml](http://www.flcourts.org/gen_public/adr/certify.shtml)
- Association for Conflict Resolution (ACR) member <http://www.acrnet.org/>
- LinkedIn Profile: <http://www.linkedin.com/pub/jeff-blair/17/523/b19>
- Leon County Florida, Code Enforcement Board. 1999 – 1996. Served as chair.

## CURRENT PROFESSION

*FSU Faculty (Associate in Research) and Associate Director*, FCRC Consensus Center at Florida State University (FSU), January 2004 – Present. (Previously *Regional Director and Coordinator of Research Projects*, Tallahassee and South Florida Office, FCRC Consensus Center at FSU 1998 – December 2003).

Responsible for developing and overseeing FCRC Consensus Center projects. Duties include:

- Direct provision of collaborative process services (facilitation, mediation, negotiation, process design, strategic and action planning, consensus-building and process assessment and consultation) in public-policy cases;
- Provision of negotiation, facilitation, communication and effective meetings training to local government and state agency staff, as well as to private sector interests involved in public policy discussions;
- Provision of facilitation and process design training to public and private sector neutrals;
- Consultation with public and private sector interests in public policy and regulatory issues regarding their consensus-building and conflict resolution needs;
- Assistance to public and private sector entities regarding strategic planning and visioning;
- Activities to increase public awareness and use of alternative conflict resolution procedures;
- Administrative activities related to the continued operation of the FCRC Consensus Center; at Florida State University; and,
- Conflict resolution, process design, communication and effective meetings trainings for private and public sector groups including Florida Atlantic University, Florida International University, Florida State University, Miami-Dade College, Miami-Dade County, various state agencies, and various public and private sector industry and regulatory agency associations.

### DISPUTE RESOLUTION TRAINING

- Mediation and Conflict Resolution. 40 Hours. William F. Lincoln. TCC. November 1982.
- Certification from National Center for Collaborative Planning and Community Services. July 1983.
- Advanced Dispute Resolution. 20 Hours. William F. Lincoln. TCC. March, 1984.
- Interviewing and Recording. Florida State University. College of Social Work. Fall Semester 1998.
- Dispute Resolution Center, Florida Supreme Court. Mediator Training. 20 Hours. October 1998.
- Planning Dispute Resolution. Florida State University. Urban and Regional Planning Graduate Program. Spring Semester 1999.
- Neighborhood Justice Center. FSU. 12 Credit Hours. 12 Credit Hours. Spring Semester 1999.
- Certification from Supreme Court of Florida, Certified County Mediator. July 1999.

### OTHER SKILLS

- Florida Certified General Contractor License
- Owner Blair Homes and Design, 1980 – 1999.
- Three times winner Tallahassee Parade of Homes
- Realtors' Choice award Tallahassee Parade of Homes
- Medaled in over 100 triathlons, duathlons and road-running races