

ADVISORY COMMITTEE APPLICATION FOR BOARD APPOINTMENT

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| <p style="text-align: center;">It is the applicant's responsibility to keep this information 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: Elizabeth R. Lewis "Beth" | | Date: 05/15/2015 |
| Home Phone: | Work Phone: | Email: bethlewis74@hotmail.com |
| Occupation: Lawyer | | Employer: Rayboun Mulligan, PLLC |
| Please check box for preferred mailing address. | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work Address: 105 W. 5 th Avenue City/State/Zip: Tallahassee, Florida 32303 | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Home Address (<i>Required to determine County residency</i>) City/State/Zip: Tallahassee, Florida 32308 | | |
| Do you live in Leon County? <u>Yes</u> If yes, do you live within the City limits? <u>Yes</u> Do you own property in Leon County? <u>Yes</u> If yes, is it located within the City limits? <u>Yes</u> For how many years have you lived in and/or owned property in Leon County? 4 years* *Childhood/schooling in Tallahassee, resided as an adult since 2011. | | |
| Are you currently serving on a County Advisory Committee? <u>No</u> If Yes, on what Committee(s) are you a member? _____ | | |
| Have you served on any previous Leon County committees? <u>No</u> If Yes, on what Committee(s) have you served? _____ | | |
| Are you interested in serving on any specific Committee(s)? If yes, please indicate your preference 1st Choice: <u>Planning Commission</u> 2nd Choice: _____ | | |
| 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: _____ | | |
| <i>If you are appointed to a Committee, you are expected to attend regular meetings.</i> How many days per month would you be willing to commit for Committee work? <u>2 to 3</u> And for how many months would you be willing to commit that amount of time? <u>6 or more</u> What time of day would be best for you to attend Committee meetings? <u>Day</u> <u>Or</u> <u>Night</u> | | |
| (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: <u>Caucasian</u> Sex: <u>Female</u> Age: <u>40</u> Disabled? <u>No</u> <u>District 3</u> | | |

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.

The benefits of the comprehensive planning process are of great importance in that it provides for the preparation of a balanced economic and community development strategy touching on the physical, environmental and social conditions of a community. I believe both my personal and professional experiences qualify me to serve as a thoughtful and engaged member of the Planning Commission. Professionally, I have been involved in land-use planning pertaining to both commercial development as well as development of affordable housing. I have navigated before planning and zoning boards and understand the cooperation and teamwork that must be involved between private development and municipalities to ensure smart planning for the present and future. I have been involved with communities similar to Tallahassee with a solid focus on smart growth and responsible use of its natural resources as well as been involved with communities that are at a disadvantage from poor and/or lack of comprehensive planning in the past. Witnessing the struggles of a community with little comprehensive planning reinforces the importance of active citizen engagement in the community planning process. As a Tallahassee native who has had the benefit of growing up in this unique community, moving away and then returning to raise my family, I am invested in continuing to see Leon County develop and capitalize on its own set of distinctive assets.

Please see attached resume.

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

Name: Rick Barnett Telephone: (850) 224-6301

Address: 225 South Adams Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301

Name: Michael C. Rayboun Telephone: (850) 907-3313

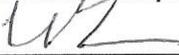
Address: 105 W. 5th Avenue, Tallahassee, Florida 32303

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 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
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? Yes If yes, please explain. *At present, none. However, I would need to abstain from any action pertaining to a client I represent with respect to real property matters.*
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: 

Please return Application

by mail: Christine Coble, Agenda Coordinator
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Tallahassee, FL 32301

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by fax: 850-606-5301

Online: <http://cms.leoncountyfl.gov/servicerequest/committeeapplication.aspx>

ELIZABETH ROWE LEWIS “Beth”
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EDUCATION

**Juris Doctor (cum laude). December 2000, Stetson University College of Law,
St. Petersburg, Florida.**

Member, *Stetson Law Review*

Teaching Fellow, Stetson Research and Writing Program

Recipient, Judge Alexander L. Paskay Award for excellence in bankruptcy

Bachelor of Arts. May 1997, The University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee.

Major: American Studies

Order of the Gownsmen, Honor Society

Recipient, Tonya Fellowship

President, Intersorority Council

EMPLOYMENT

Rayboun Mulligan, PLLC, Tallahassee, Florida.

Of Counsel (January 2015-Present)

Advise clients as to corporate and real estate legal matters, perform real estate closings, and assist with title research and litigation.

Goodwood Museum and Gardens, Inc., Tallahassee, Florida.

Executive Director (January 2013-December 2014)

Membership & Development Associate (March 2012-December 2012)

As Executive Director, assisted the Board of Directors with the policy making and funding of the museum as well as oversee the planning, organization, and staffing of the museum. In the role of Membership & Development Associate, assisted with the implementation of membership, development, and volunteer programs and activities.

Partridge, Snow & Hahn, LLP, Providence, Rhode Island.

Real Estate Associate (September 2004-August 2009)

Sustainability Officer (January 2008-August 2009)

Pro Bono Collaborative Committee (October 2006-August 2009)

Advised real estate owners and developers with regards to site acquisition, due diligence, title, land use, subdivision and zoning. Oversaw team of paralegals handling REO residential sales. Developed the *Green Matters* program focusing in part on strategies for energy-and-materials

reduction as well as responsible for keeping regular communication with all stakeholders on the business and environmental benefits of supporting sustainability at the firm. Provided legal aid to parents of at-risk children with special education needs through the Meeting Street School, Providence.

United States Bankruptcy Court, District of Massachusetts, Boston, Massachusetts.

Law Clerk to the Honorable Joan N. Feeney, Chief Judge (December 2002-August 2004)
Assisted with the disposition of Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 cases. Performed research and assisted with drafting court opinions for Chapter 7 and Chapter 13 cases.

Trenam, Kemker, Scharf, Barkin, Frye, O'Neill & Mullis, Tampa, Florida.

Litigation Associate (April 2001-November 2002)
Summer Associate (July 1999-August 1999; May 2000-August 2000)
Advised clients with respect to creditors' rights in bankruptcy proceedings. Assisted with general commercial litigation matters, including drafting court documents and attending hearings.

The Florida Supreme Court, Tallahassee, Florida.

Legal Extern for the Honorable Fred. R. Lewis (May 1999-June 1999)
Researched and prepared analysis on jurisdictional briefs submitted to the Florida Supreme Court.

AmeriCorps/VISTA, St. Petersburg, Florida.

Volunteer Coordinator, Florida Department of Juvenile Justice (August 1997-May 1998)
Recruited and enlisted volunteers from Pinellas and Pasco counties to mentor and tutor troubled juveniles; trained volunteers.

RECOGNITION

Recognized as "Associate to Watch" in Real Estate for Rhode Island in *Chambers USA, America's Leading Lawyers for Business* (2007-2009)

Recognized by *Providence Business News* as one of Rhode Island's "Top 40 Under Forty" (2008)

COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

Leadership Tallahassee, Tallahassee, Florida.

Graduate, Class 31, 2013-2014

Maclay School Alumni Association, Tallahassee, Florida.

Board Member, 2013-present

The Pawtucket Foundation, Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

Board Member, 2005-2009

The Junior League of Rhode Island, Inc., Providence, Rhode Island.

Member, 2003-2011

- Secretary, 2005-2006
- Fundraising Chair, 2004-2005; 2010-2011