

Tallahassee-Leon County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls Application

			
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Occupation: Attorney	Employer: FSU Center for the Advancement of Human Rights		
<p>Please check box for preferred mailing address.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work Address: 426 West Jefferson Street</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">City/State/Zip: Tallahassee, FL 32301</p>			
<p><input type="checkbox"/> Home Address: 1430 Marion Avenue</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">City/State/Zip: Tallahassee, FL 32303</p>			
<p>Do you live in Leon County? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If yes, do you live within the City limits? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>Do you own property in Leon County? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No If yes, is it located within the City limits? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No</p> <p>For how many years have you lived in and/or owned property in Leon County? <u>10</u> years</p>			
<p>Are you currently serving on a City or County Advisory Committee? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p>If Yes, on what Committee(s) are you a member? _____</p>			
<p>Have you served on any previous City or County committees? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/></p> <p>If Yes, on what Committee(s) have you served? _____</p>			
<p><u>If you are appointed to the Tallahassee-Leon County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls, you are expected to attend regular meetings.</u></p> <p>How many days per month would you be willing to commit for Committee work? 1 2 to 3 <input checked="" type="radio"/> 4 or more</p> <p>And for how many months would you be willing to commit that amount of time? 2 3 to 5 <input checked="" type="radio"/> 6 or more</p> <p>What time of day would be best for you to attend Committee meetings? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Day <input type="radio"/> Evening</p> <p>Can you serve a full three-year term? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No</p>			
<p>(OPTIONAL) The City of Tallahassee and Leon County strive to meet their 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> <p>Race: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Caucasian African American Hispanic Asian Other</p> <p>Sex: Male <input checked="" type="radio"/> Female Age: <u>33</u> Disabled? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/></p>			

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 the City of Tallahassee or Leon County; any charitable or community activities in which you participate; and reasons for your interest in the Commission on the Status of Women and Girls. Please attach your resume, if one is available.

I serve as Program Director of the FSU Center for the Advancement of Human Rights, where I concentrate on immigration and human trafficking. My prior experience as a Senior Law Clerk to The Honorable Robert T. Benton, II, of Florida's First District Court of Appeal, and as an Associate with Hopping Green & Sams, P.A., gives me a breadth and depth of legal experience. I graduated from FSU College of Law in 2007 with High Honors, earning a Certificate in International Law with High Honors and admission into Order of the Coif. Since then, in addition to practicing law full-time, I have remained professionally and civically active. I currently serve as Past President of the Young Lawyers Section of the Tallahassee Bar Association and Secretary of PACE Center for Girls (Leon County). I volunteer with the Legal Services of North Florida Advice Hotline, and I am a proud member of Class 33 of Leadership Tallahassee. I am interested in serving on the Commission because of my commitment to combat human trafficking and my desire to improve opportunities for all women and girls in our community.

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

Name: Kelly Otte Telephone: 850-241-0241

Address: 1344 Cross Creek Circle, Tallahassee, FL 32301

Name: Robin Thompson Telephone: 850-907-0693

Address: 3703 Bobbin Brook Way, Tallahassee, FL 32312

IMPORTANT LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

AS A MEMBER OF THE TALLAHASSEE-LEON COUNTY COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN AND GIRLS, YOU WILL BE OBLIGATED TO FOLLOW ANY APPLICABLE LAWS REGARDING 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 CITY OF TALLAHASSEE OR 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 PUBLISHED AT www.leoncountyfl.gov/bcc/committees/training.asp BEFORE YOUR APPLICATION IS DEEMED COMPLETE.

Have you completed the Orientation? Yes No

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

Do you or your employer, or your spouse or child or their employers, do business with the City of Tallahassee or Leon County? Yes No

If yes, please explain. While neither I nor my spouse do business with the City or County, my husband's firm, Scott & Wallace, has been involved in litigation against the City and the County.

Do you have any employment or contractual relationship with the City of Tallahassee or 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. _____

Please note that pursuant to City of Tallahassee policy, a background check may be conducted for City appointees to the Tallahassee-Leon County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls.

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

Signature: 

Please return Application

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Tallahassee, FL 32301

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EXPERIENCE

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS, Tallahassee, FL, 2014 – Present, *Program Director*

Represent asylum seekers, victims of torture, and victims of crime in various immigration courts, the Board of Immigration Appeals and the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals; lead efforts to update Florida Strategic Plan on Human Trafficking issued in 2010 (update forthcoming, 2015); provide presentations on human trafficking to local bar associations; coordinate fundraising efforts.

HOPPING GREEN & SAMS, P.A., Tallahassee, FL, 2010 – 2014, *Associate*

Represented community development districts in contractual, real property, local government, financial, and litigation matters; represented various clients in appellate matters.

THE HONORABLE ROBERT T. BENTON, II, FIRST DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL, Tallahassee, FL, 2007 – 2010, *Senior Law Clerk*

Drafted and edited opinions; analyzed and summarized criminal, civil, administrative, and family law cases; fielded inquiries from three-judge panels at post-oral argument conferences.

INTERNATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTE, London, England, 2006, *Extern*

Prepared comprehensive analysis of defense issues in international tribunals; issued recommendations to new hybrid and domestic criminal tribunals; prepared background report on Bolivia in Spanish; translated Spanish documents relating to the rule of law.

LEGAL SERVICES OF SOUTHERN PIEDMONT, INC., Charlotte, NC, 2005, *Law Clerk*

Drafted complaints for custody, child support, and divorce cases; conducted interviews with clients in Spanish; wrote letters to clients in Spanish; translated Spanish documents.

EDUCATION

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW, Tallahassee, FL, 2005-2007

Juris Doctor, High Honors; Certificate in International Law, High Honors; Class Rank: 14/233
Honors/Activities: Order of the Coif; Book Awards in International Human Rights Law, Public International Law, International Dispute Resolution and Florida Civil Practice; Journal of Transnational Law & Policy; Phi Delta Phi International Legal Fraternity; International Law Students Association.

WAKE FOREST UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, Winston-Salem, NC, 2004-2005

Juris Doctor Candidate; Class Rank: 28/153
Honors/Activities: Moot Court Board; Writing Fellow for Legal Research and Writing.

UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT BOULDER, Boulder, CO, 2000-2004

Bachelor of Arts, Spanish and International Affairs; GPA: 3.58
Honors/Activities: Phi Sigma Theta Honor Society; National Society of Collegiate Scholars; Sigma Iota Rho International Affairs Honor Society; Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority, Vice President; Women's Varsity Club Lacrosse Team; Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Fraternity.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

FLORIDA BAR

ELEVENTH CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS

TALLAHASSEE BAR ASSOCIATION, YOUNG LAWYERS' SECTION, *President, 2014-2015; President-Elect, 2013-2014; Treasurer, 2012-2013; Secretary, 2011-2012; Director, 2009-2011; Chair, Holidays in July foster children benefit, 2011, 2012 & 2013*

PACE CENTER FOR GIRLS, LEON COUNTY, *Secretary, 2015-Present; Director, 2014-2015*

LEGAL SERVICES OF NORTH FLORIDA, INC., *Volunteer, Legal Advice Hotline, 2010-Present*