



City of Rochester Hills
CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

NAME Susan M. Strunk COUNCIL DISTRICT 3
DATE 11/22/2017 ROCHESTER HILLS RESIDENT FOR 1 YEARS
OCCUPATION Law Student and Law Clerk

INTERESTS/REASONS/QUALIFICATIONS

I will graduate from Wayne State University Law School in May, 2018. I have taken courses related to land use, environmental law, and code enforcement and regulation. I would enjoy serving my community and putting my legal reasoning skills to good use.

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES ON WHICH YOU HAVE SERVED (LIST MUNICIPALITIES AND DATES)

N/A

ELECTIVE OFFICES THAT YOU HAVE HELD

National Honor Society, Cousino High School, Vice President; English Honor Society, Oakland University, Vice President.

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Women's Law Caucus, Wayne Law Review, Wayne State University Transnational Environmental Law Clinic

PERTINENT EDUCATION

Bachelor's Degree in English; Juris Doctorate Candidate, May 2018

HOBBIES/INTERESTS

I enjoy boating and snowmobiling in northern Michigan, strolling the streets of downtown Rochester, volunteering at my church, and long walks with my new dog, Duke, and husband.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

SUSAN M. STRUNK

EDUCATION

Wayne State University Law School, Detroit, MI **May 2018**

Juris Doctor Candidate

GPA 3.5

Wayne Law Review, Senior Articles Editor

Susan M. Strunk, A Final Leap Toward Autonomous Freedom:

Understanding Michigan's Funeral Representative Law, 60 WAYNE L.R. __ (2018).

Oakland University, Rochester, MI **May 2015**

Bachelor of Arts in English, magna cum laude

GPA 3.8

English Honor Society, Vice President

American Studies Student Group, Vice President

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Transnational Environmental Law Clinic, Detroit, MI **August 2017 – Present**

Student Attorney

Performed legal research and prepared memoranda regarding drinking water quality, industrial zoning issues, and tax issues related to green storm water infrastructure. Participated in weekly telephone meetings to brief attorneys and water quality engineers on research status.

Chapman Law Group, Troy, MI **October 2016 – Present**

Law Clerk

Drafted wills, trusts, powers of attorney, deeds, and assignments. Assisted and interacted with clients at intake and signing meetings. Drafted Complaint to Quiet Title and several motions regarding real estate and probate matters. Conducted legal research and prepared memoranda on tax planning strategies. Drafted questions and outline for attorney to use in depositions.

Chambers of the Honorable Judge Avern Cohn, Detroit, MI **Summer 2016**

U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of MI

Judicial Intern

Conducted legal research and prepared bench memoranda on a variety of legal issues, including whether a Motion to Amend Complaint should be granted. Drafted case summaries and confirmed appropriate jurisdiction of new cases. Observed and assisted Judge Cohn in courtroom proceedings and status conferences.

Chambers of the Honorable Judge Jennifer Faunce, Mount Clemens, MI **Summer 2016**

Macomb County Circuit Court

Judicial Intern

Observed and assisted Judge Faunce in courtroom proceedings in criminal and civil matters.

Dunn Counsel PLC, Troy, MI **April 2012 – August 2015**

Legal Assistant/Office Manager

Worked as sole support staff on cases involving civil asset forfeitures, foreign account tax compliance, civil and criminal tax controversies, and estate planning. Wrote thirty-page procedural manual for all firm employees.

Created and maintained firm's website.

St. Jane Frances de Chantal Church Office, Sterling Heights, MI **September 2010 – May 2015**

Office Assistant

Supported staff members with projects, large mailings, and telephone calls. Secured church building and safe on nights and weekends.