

CANDIDATE QUESTIONNAIRE

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ROCHESTER HILLS RESIDENT FOR 6 months ~~YEARS~~

OCCUPATION Attorney

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES ON WHICH YOU WANT TO SERVE (please check up to five applicable boxes)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Advisory Traffic & Safety | <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Local Development Finance Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Board of Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Elections Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Older Persons Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brownfield Redevelopment Authority | <input type="checkbox"/> Green Space Advisory Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Building Authority | <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Districts Commission | <input type="checkbox"/> Rochester Avon Recreation Authority |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canvassing Board | <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Districts Study Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Trailways Commission |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cemetery Citizen Advisory Technical Review | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources Technical Review Cmte | <input type="checkbox"/> Water & Sewer Technical Review Committee |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Construction/Fire Prevention Bd of Appeals | <input type="checkbox"/> Liquor License Technical Review Committee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Zoning / Sign Board of Appeals |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Cleanup & Oversight Technical Review Committee | | |

INTERESTS/REASONS/QUALIFICATIONS See Attachment

BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES ON WHICH YOU HAVE SERVED (LIST MUNICIPALITIES AND DATES)
None

ELECTIVE OFFICES THAT YOU HAVE HELD None

OTHER ORGANIZATIONS State Bar of Michigan, S.B.M. Real Property Law Section, Incorporated Society of Irish American Lawyers, University of Detroit Mercy CAL Club

PERTINENT EDUCATION See Attachment

HOBBIES/INTERESTS See Attachment

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION See Attachment

Signature [REDACTED] Date March 15, 2008 *email update 2-3-09*

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Interests/Reasons/Qualifications: I recently moved to Rochester Hills and would like to become involved in the community. Serving on the Zoning/Sign Board of Appeals would provide me with a means to be involved and serve the community using skills and knowledge that I already possess as an attorney practicing real estate law with Steinhardt Pesick & Cohen, P.C. My practice focuses primarily in property valuation issues, like those arising in property taxation and eminent domain cases. But zoning is a significant issue in such cases, as a property's zoning controls its potential uses and thus influences its value. Further, valuation cases often involve the types of issues that may come before zoning boards of appeal, such as whether variances or special use permits are appropriate for a given property; eminent domain cases in particular can result in the need for parties to actually seek variances from zoning boards of appeal. I believe that my background in such cases could be a valuable asset for the Rochester Hills Zoning/Sign Board of Appeals.

Pertinent Education: I earned my B.A., *cum laude*, from Oakland University with majors in philosophy and political science; I earned my J.D., *summa cum laude*, from the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law. Also, I have attended and participated in a number of seminars sponsored by the American Bar Association and the State Bar of Michigan Real Property Law Section addressing real estate law matters, including zoning issues.

Hobbies/Interests: I am an avid Detroit Tigers fan, and, when the weather is more favorable, I hope to take advantage of the opportunities for outdoor recreation in and around Rochester Hills.

Additional Information: Another experience that I believe is relevant to my application for the Zoning/Sign Board of Appeals is the time I spent as a judicial law clerk for the Hon. Michael Cavanagh, Justice of the Michigan Supreme Court. As a judicial law clerk, I assisted Justice Cavanagh in deciding cases that the Supreme Court was considering from 1999 to 2001. I assisted Justice Cavanagh in reviewing several cases involving zoning issues during my time as his judicial law clerk, but the more important point is that my experience provides me with background in the deliberative process involved in a multi-member body reaching a decision.

Thank you for considering my application.