

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM**

(For members seeking reappointment to a City of Rockville Board or Commission)

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(Note: Work phone numbers are only for staff use)

**Name of current Board (or Commission):** Board of Appeals

**Please complete the following:**

**How long have you served on this Board or Commission?** 3 years (first appointed in 2006)

**Why do you wish to be considered for reappointment by the Mayor and Council?**

It has been an honor to serve on the Board, and be able to contribute to the community. This is a dynamic time to serve on the Board because of the City's growth, the development of the Town Center, and the revisions to the Zoning Code. All of these developments mean that the Board will be hearing many interesting cases with issues of first impression related to the new Code.

I have also found my service on the Board to be personally very fulfilling. It has been an opportunity to meet my citizens from throughout the City, and learn their needs and concerns as our City continues to grow and develop. Service on one of the City's Boards and Commissions also constitutes a great civic lesson. I've enjoyed learning about how are government works and what initiatives the City is undertaking.

I hope to be able to serve another term on the Board, but I also wish to express my gratitude for the previous term. Thank you.

**What other information should be considered for your reappointment? (Examples: Ways in which you have personally contributed to the work of the Board or Commission; leadership roles you have held on behalf of the work of the Board or Commission such as chair, head of a committee or task force)**

I am currently serving as the Chair of the Board of Appeals, which also includes representing the Board with Mayor and Council work sessions. I also think my legal, judicial, and writing background are an asset in my role with the Board.

Please attach an updated resume or additional information (Optional)

Please indicate here [ X ] yes or [ ] no whether or not the City may give elected officials who serve Rockville (other than the Mayor and Council) your name and address. This information will not be used for any fundraising or campaign mailings. No phone numbers will be given.

**Please submit this information to: Mayor and Council c/o City Clerk's Office, 111 Maryland Avenue, Rockville, Maryland 20850. 240-314-8280**

**Thank you!**

**BAR ADMISSIONS:** New York, Court of Federal Claims

**EDUCATION:**

**Georgetown University Law Center – Juris Doctor, *Cum Laude***

2000

- Class rank (estimated): Top 15% (GPA: 10.5/12.0)
- Awarded the Corpus Juris Secundum Award for the highest grade in Contracts and Corporations, received the CALI Excellence for the Future Award for the highest grade in Contracts, and selected to the Dean's List all three years.
- *Law and Policy in International Business*
- Clinical Attorney: Federal Legislation Clinic – represented the Consortium of Citizens with Disabilities before Congress which included drafting federal regulations related to the privacy of health care records, lobbying Congressional staff, and writing talking points.

**University of London (King's College) – Master of Arts**

1996

- Coursework focused on the Middle East and elementary Arabic.
- Master thesis, *Waiting for Asad: The Elusive Syrian-Israeli Peace*, awarded distinction.

**The University of Texas at Austin – Bachelor of Arts, Special Honors**

1994

- Major: Government, Minor: Middle Eastern Studies with a 3.2 cumulative GPA, 3.9 major GPA.
- Selected to Pi Sigma Alpha and Order of Omega Honors Societies and the Dean's List.
- Senior Thesis, *Interest Groups and Political Party Formation in Israel*, awarded honors.

**COLLOQUIA/WORKSHOPS:**

The Other Don't Ask, Don't Tell: Adultery under the Uniform Code of Military Justice after Lawrence v. Texas (St. Mary's Law School, presented to the faculty on April 28, 2008).

**PUBLICATIONS:**

**Book Chapters:**

Greenwood Encyclopedia of Children's Issues Worldwide, Libya (Greenwood Press 2007)

Co-Author, Transportation, Developments in Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice 2006-2007 (ABA 2007)

**Law Reviews:**

Reopening the Loophole? - Beneficial Ownership under Section 13(d) of the 1934 Securities Act after Rosenberg v. XM Ventures, *Charleston Law Review* (Forthcoming)

Hate Speech as a War Crime: Direct and Public Incitement to Genocide in International Law, *Tulane Journal of International and Comparative Law* (Forthcoming)

The Other Don't Ask, Don't Tell: Adultery under the Uniform Code of Military Justice after Lawrence v. Texas, *Capital University Law Review* (Forthcoming)

Assisted Suicide in International Humanitarian Law, *Regent Journal of International Law* (Forthcoming)

Monday Morning Lawyering: Proximate Cause and the Requirement of Actual Innocence in a Criminal Defense Malpractice Action, *Widener Law Journal* (2006)

That Dog Don't Hunt: The Twelfth Amendment after Jones v. Bush, *Pace Law Review* (2003)

Current System of Campaign Finance and Voter Turnout, *Glendale College of Law Journal* (2003)

Enforcement of First Amendment Obscenity Jurisprudence and New Technologies, *Florida Coastal Law Journal* (2003)

- Feasibility of a Law to Regulate Pornographic Unsolicited Commercial E-mail, *Tulane Technology and Intellectual Property Law Journal* (2002)
- Ability of a State Enterprise to Declare Force Majeure Based Upon Actions of the State, *Chicago-Kent Journal of International Law* (2002)
- Rape as a War Crime, *Florida Journal of International Law* (2001)
- Canadian Bulk Water Moratorium and its Implications for NAFTA, *Currents: The International Trade Law Journal* (2001)
- Virtual Red Light District: Filtration Software and the Zoning of the Internet, *West Virginia Journal of Law and Technology* (2001)
- Judicial Review of Security Clearances for Homosexuals Post-Department of the Navy v. Egan, *St. Thomas Law Review* (2001)
- American Ennui: Campaign Finance Laws and the Decline in Voter Turnout, *The Long Term View* (2001)
- Shorter Works:**
- Middle East Law, *The International Lawyer* (Co-Author) (2007) (Forthcoming)
- Human Rights Law, *The International Lawyer* (Co-Author) (2005)
- Middle East Law, *The International Lawyer* (Co-Author) (2003)
- Middle East Law, *The International Lawyer* (Co-Author) (2002)
- Middle East Law, *The International Lawyer* (Co-Author) (2001)
- Globalization of Human Rights Law: U.S. Courts v. the Executive Branch, *The Globe* (2005)
- The International Criminalization of Hate Speech, *The Globe* (2005)
- Applying the Rule of Law to the Crimes of Saddam, *International Law News* (2004)
- United States-Jordan Free Trade Agreement, *International Law News* (2002)
- Book Reviews:**
- Inheriting Syria: Bashar's Trial by Fire, *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies* (2007)
- Building Bridges: An Egyptian-U.S. Free Trade Agreement, *The Globe* (2007)
- Arab Commercial Law: Policies and Perspectives, *The Arab Regional Forum Newsletter* (2006)
- International Justice and the International Criminal Court: Between Sovereignty and the Rule of Law, *Eyes on the ICC* (2006)
- Joint Ventures in the International Arena, *The Globe* (2005)
- The United States and the International Criminal Court: National Security and International Law, *Eyes on the ICC* (2004)
- Shareholder Voting Rights in Europe and the United States, *Texas Journal of International Law* (2003)

**LEGAL EXPERIENCE:****Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Washington, DC**

2005-present

**Office of Dispute Resolution for Acquisition – Dispute Resolution Officer**

2008-present

- Adjudicate cases and serve as a neutral, alternative dispute resolution (ADR) mediator for bid protests, contract disputes, and issues related to airport grant compliance.
- Wrote the Opinion for Protest of Deloitte Consulting LLP, sustaining Deloitte's bid protest brought against the Transportation Security Administration (TSA).
- Successfully mediated and settled three contract disputes brought against the FAA and the TSA, and assisted in the successful resolution of a fourth.

**Acquisition and Commercial Law Division**

2005-2008

- Legal adviser to the Technical Operations Division, which provides communications and telecommunications services to the National Aerospace System (NAS), which included legal review of contracts, reimbursable agreements, other transaction agreements, and fiscal law and general acquisition law advice.
- Represented the FAA before the FAA Office of Dispute Resolution for Acquisitions (ODRA) in both ADR and in adjudication (most bid protests and contract disputes were resolved in ADR).
- Successfully defended the FAA in the bid protest of New Bedford Panoramex before the ODRA, challenging NBP's down selection from the Runway Status Lights procurement.
- Awarded two separate performance bonuses by the FAA Program Office for legal representation in *Protest of New Bedford Panoramex*.
- Legal adviser on the contract administration of the FAA's Telecommunications Infrastructure (FTI) program consolidating and upgrading all the telecommunication services in the NAS.
- Advised FTI program on contract issues, including the interpretation of controversial transition clauses from the prior system to FTI.
- Research into the issue of whether sub-Contract Line Items (CLINS) in a pre-existing contract did not constitute a new award avoided a bid protest during the FTI transition.
- Drafted a legal opinion interpreting the use of funds for transitioning off of a particular telecommunications spectrum, which allowed the FTI program greater autonomy in achieving end to end connectivity for certain sites on the West Coast (Opinion was well received by the Office of Management and Budget, which oversaw the funding).
- Advised the FAA on the Voice Recorder Replacement Program (VRRP) procurement.
- Advised the FAA on Cable Loop procurement standardizing the type of cables used throughout the NAS.
- Advised the FAA on the planning for the NAS Voice Switches (NVS) procurement.
- Advised the FAA on executing an ICAO-sponsored international agreement for a shared communications network in the Caribbean.
- Advised the FAA Navigational Communications (Satellites) group on issues related to testing new landing technology at an airport.
- Legal adviser on the contract administration of the FAA's Technical Support Services Contract (TSSC), the FAA's largest construction services contract, which included advising on award fees and contract interpretation issues.
- Legal adviser on the contract administration and the procurement planning for the FAA's NAS Implementation Services Contract (NISC), one of the largest support services contracts at the FAA.
- Specialized in the area of organizational conflicts of interest (OCI) and advised all FAA procurements on this issue, as needed.
- Lecturer for FAA Acquisition Law training (false claims, organizational conflicts of interest, and procurement integrity).

**Regulations Division**

2007-2008

- Drafted interpretation letters analyzing the Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR).
- Provided legal advice on administrative rulemakings.

**Office of the Chief Counsel**

2007

- Advised Chief Counsel Kerry Long on issues related to the federal preemption of aviation.

**Clerk to Justice Dale Wainwright, Texas Supreme Court, Austin, TX**

2003-2004

- Assisted with the Majority Opinion: *IHS Cedars v. Mason*
- Assisted with the Majority Opinion: *Diversicare General Partners, Inc. v. Rubio*
- Drafted memoranda to the Texas Supreme Court recommending whether or not to grant petitions for review.

**Afghanistan Transitional Commercial Law Project, Washington, DC – Contracts Team**

2002-2003

- ABA-UN sponsored task force organized to assist in the development of Afghanistan's commercial code.
- Reviewed existing Afghan law of contracts and made recommendations to the team on deficiencies.
- Reviewed the UCC, UNCISG, Restatement of Contracts and foreign commercial codes to draft a Model Code.

- Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson L.L.P., New York, NY – Associate** 2001-2003
- 9/11 Pro Bono: Co-represented the family of a firefighter with trust and estates matters including representation before the Victims Compensations Fund. Also conducted research on tax legislation related to 9/11, and drafted portions of the 9/11 group's practice manual.
  - Pro Bono: Negotiated and drafted a general partnership agreement between two filmmakers involving intellectual property rights.
  - Assisted in the representation of an investment bank during the New York Attorney General's and the NYSE's investigations of analyst-banker conflicts of interest over market research.
  - Assisted in the representation Banc of American Securities in the IPO of Red Robin Gourmet Burgers, Inc.
  - M&A: Assisted in the representation of Wrigley in its bid to acquire Hershey (deal died when the Hershey's Trust decided against selling its shares).
- Clerk to the Late Judge Roger B. Andewelt, U.S. Court of Federal Claims, Washington, DC** 2000-2001
- Assisted with the Opinion: *Schwan Sales Enterprises v. United States*.
  - Drafted bench memoranda to the judge, and assisted with preliminary opinions and orders.
- White & Case, L.L.P., Washington, DC – Summer Associate (Offer Extended)** Summer 1999
- Pro Bono: drafted employment contracts and incorporation documents for independent filmmakers, and 501(c)(3) forms for a charitable organization aiming to raise funds for the treatment of indigent women with breast cancer.
  - Drafted memoranda for an international arbitration proceeding on issues related to NAFTA and contract rights.
  - Drafted memoranda on international tax law including transfer pricing and royalty payments.
- The White House, Office of Counsel to the President, Washington, DC – Legal Intern** Spring 1999
- Assisted White House attorneys in the impeachment trial before the Senate.
  - Vetted nominees to the federal judiciary.
  - Wrote memoranda on executive branch-related topics including a comparison of attorney-client privilege to executive privilege.
- Export-Import Bank of the United States, Washington, DC – Legal Intern** Summer 1998
- Drafted a credit agreement for a \$400 million oil refinery project in Mexico.
  - Drafted memoranda on foreign expropriation, Ukrainian commercial law, and the FSIA.
- VOLUNTEER AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES:**
- ABA Middle East Law Committee – Vice-Chair** 2001-present
- Editor, Middle East Law Blog.
- City of Rockville Board of Appeals – Mayor and Council appointee** 2006-present
- Member of quasi-judicial panel adjudicating all appeals to City zoning decisions and variances.
- Eyes on the ICC Peer Review Board** 2005-2006
- Provide peer review comments to the editorial board with regard to submissions for publication.
- Texas Advisory Council on Emergency Medical Services – Gov. Perry appointee** Winter 2004
- Member of gubernatorial advisory panel for state EMS and Trauma policy.
- ABCNY Committee on National Security Affairs** 2002-2003
- Participated in the formulation of committee reports.