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Council District: 24

This application is a: New Appointment

Reappointment

Attendance Record: n/a

GREENVILLE COUNTY BOARD AND COMMISSION APPLICATION for County-wide Boards

Name of Board or Commission to which you are applying: Planning Commission
An individual may only apply to serve on one board or commission during any election cycle.

Mr. Mrs.
Ms. Dr.

Name: John G. Reckenbeil

Home Address: 9 Weston Brook Way City: Greenville Zip: 29607

Occupation: Attorney Employer: Self

Employer Address: Law office of John Reckenbeil, LLC
P.O. Box 1633
Spartanburg, SC 29304

School attended: Oklahoma City University School of Law

Highest degree earned: Juris Doctor Field of Study: Law

Volunteer Experience (Please list and describe): See attached.

Describe your understanding of the position for which you are applying.

See attached.

What specific skills do you believe you could contribute as a member of this board or commission?

See attached.

How many hours per week are you able to commit to this board or commission? whatever it takes!

Have you ever attended a meeting of this board or commission? Yes No

Are you available to meet at the regularly scheduled date and time of the board or commission meetings? Yes No

Do you, any member of your immediate family, or a business with which you or a family member is associated, provide goods and/or services to this board for payment? Yes No
If yes, please explain: _____

Do you or any member of your immediate family receive direct services from this board? Yes No
If yes, please explain: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation? Yes No
If yes, please give details. _____

Do you currently hold any elected or appointed office or commission? Yes No
If yes, please list _____

Have you previously held any elected or appointed office or commission? Yes No
If yes, please list _____

Have you ever been fined for an ethics violation? Yes No
If yes, please explain: _____

Have you ever been subject to penalty relating to a violation of State ethics standards? Yes No
If yes, please explain: _____

Are you current in payment of your Greenville County property taxes? Yes No

If applying for the **Accommodations Tax Advisory Committee**
the **Construction Board of Appeals** or the **Historic Preservation Commission**
please check the box that applies to your field of employment or expertise:

Accommodations Tax Comm.

Construction Board of Appeals

- Tourism Industry
- Cultural / Arts
- Restaurant
- Hotel Management

Historic Preservation Comm.

- Archeologist
- Historian
- Architect
- Member of Historic Preservation Group

- Architectural
- Fire Protection Engineer /Contractor
- Electrical Engineer /Contractor
- Design/Architectural /Professional Contractor
- Structural Engineer /Contractor
- Mechanical Engineer /Contractor
- Plumbing Engineer /Contractor

Statement of Agreement and Understanding

By my signature, I attest all information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge;

I understand it is my responsibility to insure my application is submitted within the application period and that it has been received by the County Council office;

I understand my appointment to the board for which I am applying will not result in me receiving any compensation for my service;

I understand my lack of attendance resulting in three consecutive meetings or 25% of all meetings within a year may result in my removal from the board.

Signature John G. Reckenberg Date 1-31-17

Please return completed form by mail, fax or email to:

**Greenville County Council
301 University Ridge, Suite 2400
Greenville, SC 29601-3665**

Fax: (864) 467-7358

rmccaskill@greenvillecounty.org

If you have questions, please call 467-7115 or check the www.greenvillecounty.org website.

Volunteer Experience

I regularly provide pro bono legal services to people who cannot afford legal fees focusing on civil rights and discrimination cases, and I volunteer at local soup kitchens and churches and serve food on holidays such as Thanksgiving, Christmas, etc. for the homeless.

In 2014, I also organized a Christmas pasta luncheon for more than 250 residents of Towers East, section 8 housing in Greenville, whereby we served food to all the residents including those who were physically unable to leave their rooms and spent time getting to them.

Describe your understanding of the position for which you are applying.

The planning commission is a special purpose district under South Carolina law. The Code of Law giving the commission its defined jurisdiction is attached. More importantly, for me, the commission is a commitment to the positive growth and prosperity of Greenville through responsible and conscientious planning to include the need for redevelopment of older areas in Greenville County.

What specific skills do you believe you could contribute as a member of this board or commission?

My legal background is expansive over most areas of law. I'm meticulous in my research, preparation and execution of responsibilities. I have a moral and ethical character that is unmatched. Living here for more than 16 years, I have grown to love Greenville, and my loyalty is to the greatest good for Greenville County. I have an ability to effectively communicate to include conveying how the planning commission serves the best interests of the people. I have knowledge second to none of the local, state and federal political environments and the law. I can interpret legislation and its applicability to producing financial growth opportunities such as the F.A.S.T. Act of 2015. Congress has failed to update the D.O.T. allocation formulas and still uses 2000 census numbers. However, the D.O.T. appointee for Security of Transportation, Elaine Chao, made it clear in her Senate sub-committee hearing to both Senators from Nevada that updates must and will be made to the "outdated" D.O.T. fund allocation formulas; therefore, the planning commission must move quickly in seeking current monies, special funds or other benefits available for localities like Greenville that are currently available under F.A.S.T.