



BOARD AND COMMISSION APPLICATION

Zoning Board of Appeals

The Board of Zoning Appeals meets at 3:00 p.m. on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 301 University Ridge, Greenville.

Personal Information

Name:	Christopher Winters		
Prefix:	Mr.	Birthdate:	
Home Address:		City/State/Zip:	
Email:		Phone #:	
Voter Registration #:		Driver's License #:	
Employer:	NAI Earle Furman	Occupation:	Chief Operating Officer
Highest Degree Earned:	Masters	School Attended:	Clemson
Year of Graduation:	2001	Field of Study:	Marketing
Linked In Profile:		Social Media Profile:	

Experience / Certifications / Interest

Military Experience:

NA

Certifications:

NA

Civic Organizations / Other Affiliations:

- Prior to relocation to Greenville;
- Historic Preservation Commission (Past Board Chair)
- Chester Metropolitan District Board Member (Special Purpose District Water Authority)
- Chester Development Association (private partnership with Economic Development)
- Chester County Chamber of Commerce (Past Board Chair)
- Chester County Library District Trustee (Past Board Chair)

Volunteer Experience (please list and describe):

- Thornblade Homeowners Association Board Member

- Prior to relocating to Greenville;
- Little League Board Member

My interest in serving on the Zoning Board of Appeals is:

I have been accustomed to being heavily involved in my community. Given my recent relocation, I seek to continue that trend in Greenville. My interest in serving on this board stems from my desire to contribute to the County and its residents both now as well as in future by ensuring growth is done so in an appropriate manner. My desire to serve also is in alignment with my profession in real estate wherein I want to leave something better than I found it for the next generation.

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

The Board reviews zoning appeal applications regarding needs to modify current permitted uses of property. This can be through requests for mechanisms such as granting or denying variances or special exceptions to the intended use. To that, multiple factors must be taken into consideration including, but not limited to; neighboring property through spot zoning implications and Greenville County strategic planning.

Describe your strengths or skills that would positively contribute to the Zoning Board of Appeals:

My experience with real estate, economic development and utility infrastructure align well into serving as an active member of this Board. Through neutral judgement, my expertise can be incorporated into providing an analytical approach to the application to seek the most appropriate outcome. Further, I remain open to listening to all sides of the application as well as fellow Board members to weigh all opinions available to the applicant.

My community topics of concern that relate to the Zoning Board of Appeals are:

To ensure strategic growth continues through smart development. Greenville has grown exponentially since my time at Clemson and has done so in a controlled manner. This does not happen easily and without leadership listening to the voices of the community in conjunction with proper interpretation of the regulations and policies in place. That said, these policies are not immutable and must allow for changes as the needs of the area call for it.

Other elected or appointed offices / Ethics / Legal

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

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

Chester Metropolitan Board

Have you ever been fined for an ethics violation? 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:

Are you currently, or have you ever been, a part or party to any litigation with or against Greenville County? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

Additional Questions

Do you hold a South Carolina Real Estate License? Yes No

Would you be willing to submit to a criminal background check and/or credit check? Yes No

Are you aware of the meeting schedule and time commitment for the Zoning Board of Appeals? Yes No

Have you attended a meeting of the Zoning Board of Appeals? Yes No

Are you aware of the County's attendance policy as it relates to boards and commissions? Yes No

Are you aware this is not a compensated position? Yes No

Conflict of Interest

It is the policy of Greenville County to require disclosure of any personal or financial interest that may be influenced by decisions of the Committee, Board or Commission for which any citizen applies for membership.

Do you or a member of your immediate family provide goods and/or services to this board? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

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

Do you or a member of your immediate family financially benefit from the actions of this board? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

Does your employer provide goods and/or services to this board?

If yes, please explain:

Yes No

Does your employer receive direct services from this board?

If yes, please explain:

Yes No

Does your employer financially benefit from the actions of this board?

If yes, please explain:

Yes No

Statement of Agreement and Understanding

Electronic Signature Agreement. By selecting the "Submit" button, you are signing this Application electronically (e-signature), you agree your "e-signature" is the legal equivalent of your manual signature on this Application. Additionally, you agree to and attest to the following:

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 have read the Greenville County Board and Commission Policy and I understand the rules of conduct for the seat for which I am applying.

I understand my lack of attendance for three (3) consecutive meetings or 25% of all regular scheduled meetings within a year may result in my removal from the board.

I understand that I serve at the pleasure of County Council and all appointments are subject to the Ethics, Government Accountability, and Campaign Reform Act, S.C. Code Ann. Section 8-13-100 et. seq., and any member appointed to a board or commission whose action is inconsistent or may be perceived to be inconsistent with the spirit or intent of the Act may be subject for removal.

I understand that information provided in this application may be subject to South Carolina Freedom of Information disclosure.

Signature: Christopher J Winters

Date: 3/28/2024

Applicants are encouraged to notify their representing Council Member of their interest to be considered for a desired board seat.