



# BOARD AND COMMISSION APPLICATION

## Human Relations Commission

The Human Relations Commission meets at 11:30 a.m. on the 1st Thursday of every other month at 301 University Ridge, Greenville.

### Personal Information

<b>Name:</b>	Dejr Bostick		
<b>Prefix:</b>	Mr.	<b>Birthdate:</b>	
<b>Home Address:</b>		<b>City/State/Zip:</b>	
<b>Email:</b>		<b>Phone #:</b>	
<b>Voter Registration #:</b>		<b>Driver's License #:</b>	
<b>Employer:</b>	BMM, LLC	<b>Occupation:</b>	Owner
<b>Highest Degree Earned:</b>	Masters	<b>School Attended:</b>	BOCM
<b>Year of Graduation:</b>	2009	<b>Field of Study:</b>	Business Marketing
<b>Linked In Profile:</b>		<b>Social Media Profile:</b>	

### Experience / Certifications / Interest

#### Military Experience:

United States Marine Corps Veteran

#### Certifications:

- Certified Mindfulness and Meditation Coach
- Certified Breathwork Instructor

#### Civic Organizations / Other Affiliations:

- Vice Chair, Fostering Great Ideas – Supporting foster care advocacy and community engagement

#### Volunteer Experience (please list and describe):

Vice Chair, Fostering Great Ideas: Engaged in initiatives that support foster youth and promote positive outcomes within the foster care system. I participate in outreach efforts and contribute to strategic planning for the organization's growth and impact.

Community Mental Health Workshops: Led mental health and wellness workshops within underserved communities, focusing on topics like breathwork, mindfulness, and self-care practices to promote overall well-being.

#### My interest in serving on the Human Relations Commission is:

As the founder of Black Men Meditate, with our premier program, Transcend 9, focused on enhancing mental well-being and community empowerment, I am deeply committed to fostering inclusivity and equal opportunity within Greenville County. My goal in serving on the Human Relations Commission is to address systemic challenges that affect underserved populations, especially within the BIPOC community, and to promote resources and support that enhance community well-being. This position aligns well.

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

The Human Relations Commission works to improve the quality of life for all residents of Greenville County by promoting positive community relations and ensuring equal opportunity. The Commission addresses key areas such as housing, employment, education, and community-police relations. As a board member, I would be responsible for investigating complaints, promoting fair housing practices, and supporting educational programs that enhance community awareness.

**Describe your strengths or skills that would positively contribute to the Human Relations Commission:**

I bring extensive experience in mental health advocacy, program development, and community engagement. Through my work in leading wellness programs and facilitating workshops, I have developed skills in addressing mental health, work-life balance, and social equity, especially within high-stress professional environments. My background equips me to understand and address the challenges faced by marginalized communities. I am also skilled in fostering constructive dialogues and creating solutions

**My community topics of concern that relate to the Human Relations Commission are:**

I am especially concerned with improving mental health accessibility, affordable housing, and equitable employment opportunities within Greenville County. Additionally, I am focused on addressing systemic barriers related to discrimination in housing, public accommodations, and law enforcement practices. My experience has provided me with insights into these areas, and I am committed to advocating for sustainable solutions that empower underserved populations.

**Other elected or appointed offices / Ethics / Legal**

**Do you currently hold an elected or appointed office or commission?**

*If yes, please list:*

Yes  No

**Have you previously held an elected or appointed office or commission?**

*If yes, please list:*

Yes  No

**Have you ever been fined for an ethics violation?**

*If yes, please explain:*

Yes  No

**Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation?**

*If yes, please give details:*

Yes  No

**Are you currently, or have you ever been, a part or party to any litigation with or against Greenville County?**

*If yes, please explain:*

Yes  No

**Additional Questions**

**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 Human Relations Commission?**

Yes  No

**Have you attended a meeting of the Human Relations Commission?**

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?**

*If yes, please explain:*

Yes  No

**Do you or a member of your immediate family receive direct services from this board?**

*If yes, please explain:*

Yes  No

**Do you or a member of your immediate family financially benefit from the actions of this board?**

*If yes, please explain:*

Yes  No

**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: Dejr Bostick

Date: 11/12/2024

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