

**Subject:** Online Form Submittal: Board and Commission Application  
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## Board and Commission Application

### Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

#### Public Statement

*THIS IS A PUBLIC DOCUMENT: As a candidate for a public board or commission, the information provided will be available to the County Council, County Executive, and the public. All board and commission members are expected to be fair, impartial, and respectful of the public, County staff, and each other. Failure to abide by these expectations may result in revocation of appointment and removal from the appointive position.*

Title Mr.

First Name james

Last Name schmotzer

Today's Date 12/3/2023

Street Address

City

Zip

Do you live in & are  
you registered to vote  
in Whatcom County?

Yes

Do you have a different  
mailing address?

Field not completed.

Primary Telephone

Secondary Telephone

Field not completed.

Email Address

### Step 2

1. Name of Board or  
Committee

Incarceration Prevention and Reduction Task Force/Law &  
Justice Council

Incarceration Prevention and Reduction Task Force Position:	Concerned Citizen
2. Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying?	Yes
3. Which Council district do you live in?	District 2
4. Are you a US citizen?	Yes
5. Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?	Yes
6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county?	No
7. Have you ever been a member of this Board/Commission?	No
8. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County?	No
You may attach a resume or detailed summary of experience, qualifications, & interest in response to	<i>Field not completed.</i>

the following questions

9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education

current Support Mentor for Nooksack Valley Middle and High School (8 years)  
30+ years employment in Education (all stages - preschool through grad school), organizational ministry leadership  
community volunteering, board membership in family support services, child abuse prevention, services to support those dealing with poverty and related crisis

10. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission

I work with kids on the struggling end of school life, I want to help stop the "school to prisons pipeline"  
I have a life long interest in justice systems and community impact  
I believe that discovering and implementing the best possible systems are key to a better community and a better future

References (please include daytime telephone number):

voice or text, I do check messages

Appointment Requirements

I understand and agree

Signature of applicant:

james schmotzer

Place Signed / Submitted

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