

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 Dana

Last Name Wilson

Today's Date 4/23/2022

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

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

Do you have a different mailing address? YES

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] [REDACTED]

Step 2

1. Name of Board or Committee	Business and Commerce Advisory Committee
Business and Commerce Advisory Committee Position:	Marine trades
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 5
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, &	<i>Field not completed.</i>

interest in response to the following questions

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

I am a lifelong member of the Lummi Nation and excited about the opportunity to serve on the Whatcom County Business and Commerce Committee representing Marine Trades. I have run a successful fishing business for well over 45 years in the region fishing salmon, shrimp and Dungeness crab. As a business owner, I have worked tirelessly to ensure a sustainable harvest for Lummi Nation fishers as well as the general population. I believe it is my responsibility to ensure that the resources of today will be available to future generations.

I have served the Lummi Nation as a Commissioner of the Lummi Fisheries and Natural Resources Commission for over 20 years and selected by the General Membership. The Commission is responsible for making recommendations to the tribe on a variety of natural resources issues including changes in code and associated regulations; developing long term objectives for the production and management of resources for fishing, hunting and forestry; and working with the General Membership of the tribe on natural resources issues.

Finally, I am a board member of the Whatcom Commercial Fishermen's Association. In this role, I have worked to increase the knowledge of how commercial fishing activity contributes to local and regional economies and how we are interconnected and interdependent on many businesses that provide services to commercial and tribal fleets.

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

I have a strong desire to serve both the Bellingham and Lummi communities by being a voice that can speak to issues and concerns of Lummi tribal membership to the larger community. My business experience and deep knowledge of Lummi Nation laws and policy will be an asset to the commission. Additionally, I see this as an opportunity to educate the Lummi community on the work of the Commission and find ways that Lummi business owners can connect and grow with the great Bellingham business community.

I bring a strong sense of ethics and a level of high integrity to any job that I endorse and apply for. I have a passion and possess a deep commitment to community. I have good communication skills a willingness to engage in discussions that arrive at a solution. I would fully commit to supporting the vision and mission of the Whatcom County Business and Commerce Committee.

References (please include daytime telephone number):

Jay Julius, [REDACTED]
Bobby Briscoe, [REDACTED]
Doug Thomas, [REDACTED]

Signature of applicant: Dana Wilson

Place Signed /
Submitted Bellingham, WA

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