

### **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	Grant
Last Name	Heitman
Today's Date	12/7/2020
Street Address	1308 Sunset Drive
City	Point Roberts
Zip	98281
Do you live in & are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?	Yes
Do you have a different mailing address?	YES
Mailing Address	PO Boc 421, Point Roberts WA 98281
Primary Telephone	9259633194
Secondary Telephone	Field not completed.
Email Address	grant.heitman@gmail.com
1. Name of Board or Committee	Point Roberts Community Advisory Committee
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, & interest in response to the following questions	Field not completed.
9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education	Education: BA, Political Science, University of California San Diego (1994) JD, University of San Diego School of Law (2001) Teaching Fellow, Institute for Law & Systems Research Public Leadership Credential, Harvard University Kennedy School of Government (2021)
	Professional Licenses: Member, State Bar of California #220277 Certified Practitioner, United States Tax Court #HG0471
	Government, Public Policy & Media Training: Intern: United States Department of State, Bureau of Politico-Military Affairs, Office of Defense Relations & Security Assistance Intern: United States Senate, San Diego Field Office of CA Senator Dianne Feinstein Staff: University of California, Office of Federal Governmental Relations Staff: University of California, Institute on Global Conflict & Cooperation (IGCC) Staff: "The McLaughlin Group" and "John McLaughlin's One-on-One", Oliver Productions (NBC and PBS television)
	Past Public / Non-Profit Board Memberships: Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Services of San Juan County (SAFE) Kaleidoscope Child Care Center, Orcas Island, San Juan County
	Volunteer: Point Roberts Emergency Preparedness (PREP)
	Professional Experience: 19+ years in wireless telecommunications network development focusing on business operations, government and legal affairs.

Local, state & Federal government relations for real property development throughout the western USA and Hawaii, representing all major telecommunications carriers.

Currently employed at AT&T Network Engineering & Operations. Responsible for:

- 1) US Department of Agriculture First Responder Network Authority (Firstnet.gov) system deployment on Federal and Tribal property in WA, OR, ID
- 2) Special Operations in WA, OR, ID
- 3) AT&T Drone Operations global vendor compliance manager

#### LinkedIn Profile:

https://www.linkedin.com/in/grheitman/

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

I hope to help create greater transparency and direct participation in our local governance:

- 1. Economic recovery from the COVID-19 Border Closure: I've spent the past term at the Harvard Kennedy School of Government ("HKS") studying potential policy interventions to exempt local residents and property owners from the total closure of the international border, which has shut down the local service economy.
- 2. Establishment of mechanisms for local governance on Point Roberts: I'd like to apply what I've learned at the Institute for Law & Systems Research and HKS toward a disciplined, evidence-based study of models for progressive change, based on the strengths of our unique location. For example, we can examine all potential paths to incorporation, a special district, a development authority, or an international special economic zone. I often hear from our Canadian neighbors that we are practicing taxation without representation, and that must come to an end if we are to cooperate and thrive in 2021 and beyond.

## References (please include daytime telephone number):

Mr. Raye Newmen, Point Roberts Emergency Prep (PREP): 360-945-0665

Signature of applicant:

Grant Richard Heitman

Place Signed / Submitted

Point Roberts, WA