



Application for Appointment County Boards, Commissions and Committees

Thank you for your interest and applying for consideration for appointment to a County Board, Commission or Committee. The Board of Supervisors encourages citizen involvement and expertise in serving our community.

Board/Commission/Committee You Are Applying For:

Assessment Appeals Board No. 2

In which Supervisorial District do you reside?

I do not live or work in Ventura County

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Name: Debra C. Cohen

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Gender: Preferred Pronoun(s):

EXPIERENCE/ BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Current or Previous Employer: Law Office of Debra C. Cohen & County of Los Angeles & Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Occupation/Title: Attorney & Commissioner on LA County Assessment Appeals Board & Traffic Court
Hearing Officer / Attorney at Law & Assessment Appeals Board Memnber & Traffic Court
Hearing Officer

Summarize your qualifications for appointment (i.e., education, training, employment, experience, licenses, etc.):

I am a California attorney; SBN 259225 (active)

Before becoming an attorney, I was an Advanced Appraiser for Property Tax Purposes (California State Board of Equalization)

I am a current member of the National Association of Hearing Officials

Please briefly explain why you wish to serve on this Board/Commission/Committee:

I would like to serve as an Assessment Appeals Board Member so that I may share my knowledge and experience in California property tax appeals. I believe the Board of Supervisors will be able to count on me to provide all parties in assessment appeal hearing with Due Process, sound judgment, well-thought out determinations.

Please list your prior or current public service appointments, including any Boards, Commissions, or Committees that you are currently appointed to or have been appointed to:

Prior:

Member of the Selective Service Appeals Board

Member of Las Virgenes Unified School District Measure G Committee

Current:

Commissioner on the Los Angeles County Assessment Appeals Board

Are you currently an officer or member of a policy-making board of a non-profit organization funded by the County of Ventura? ☐ YES ☒ NO

If Yes, list the organizations:

Are you currently engaged in, or plan to enter into, employment, business activity or enterprise which is related to your potential duties as a member of this County Board/Commission/Committee, or which may be subject to review and/or approval by such a body? ☐ YES ☒ NO

If Yes, please describe the nature of the business or activity and employer (if applicable):

Do you have economic interests, such as income, investments, real or personal property, or outstanding loans which might present a potential conflict of interest? **(This board, commission or committee may be subject to file a Form 700, additional information regarding Statements of Economic Interests (Form 700) may be found by visiting: www.fppc.ca.gov.)*

☐ YES ☒ NO

If Yes, explain:

Submission of this application does not guarantee you will be selected to serve. This application will be maintained for a period of one year. After one year, it is necessary to file a new application for another year of eligibility for consideration for appointment. Candidates recommended for appointment are required to submit to a criminal background check prior to, and as a condition of, their potential appointment. Selected appointees must take an Oath of Office, comply with mandated trainings, file a Statement of Economic Interests known as a Form 700 if required for members of the subject board, and read and abide by the County’s Code of Conduct. Appointees are not considered to be County employees for the purposes of benefits, such as worker’s compensation, health insurance, etc.

CODE OF CONDUCT:

Please visit www.ventura.org/ceo/cob/bcc and click on the Code of Conduct link, and read it through its entirety.

THIS APPLICATION IS A PUBLIC RECORD AND SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE

☒ I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, all statements in this application are complete and true. I further certify that if I am appointed, I will serve fairly, impartially, and to the best of my ability. I agree and understand that any misstatement of material fact will cause me to forfeit all rights to appointment to a Board, Commission, or Committee with the County of Ventura. I agree to submit to a criminal background check conducted through the County of Ventura by a third party vendor prior to potential appointment and, if appointed, agree to abide by the County's Code of Conduct and submit Statements of Economic Interests (Form 700)* in a timely manner if required for members of the Board, Commission, or Committee to which I am appointed.