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APPLICATION FOR CITY BOARD OR COMMITTEE

Thank you for your interest in serving on a Board or Committee. The purpose of this form is to provide the City Commission with basic information about applicants considered for appointment. NOTE: Completed applications are included in the City Commission agenda packets. The information included on this form is open to the public. All Board and Committee members are subject to the provisions of the Ethics Ordinance (Chapter 2, Article IX of the City Code).

Information on various Boards and Committees and a list of current openings can be found on the City website at www.bhamgov.org/boardopportunities.

(Please print clearly)

Board/Committee of Interest Library Board

Specific Category/Vacancy on Board Trustee (see back of this form for information)

Name Michael Kern Phone (248) 561-0125

Residential Address 1522 Penistone Street Email * michaelbkern@gmail.com

Residential City, Zip Birmingham, MI 48009 Length of Residence 4 years ^(14 years including childhood)

Business Address _____ Occupation Attorney

Business City, Zip _____

Reason for Interest: Explain how your background and skills will enhance the board to which you have applied I have

been looking for a way to give back to my community since returning to Michigan. I have 2 children who love books and reading stories, and I think ensuring they have a great place to foster that interest is critical.

List your related employment experience I have worked as an attorney for 8 years. Prior to law school, I worked in journalism and communications for 8 years.

List your related community activities I attended the Birmingham Citizens Academy in Spring 2017.

List your related educational experience Bachelors degree from University of Michigan
Juris Doctor from Boston College Law School

To the best of your knowledge, do you or a member of your immediate family have any direct financial or business relationships with any supplier, service provider or contractor of the City of Birmingham from which you or they derive direct compensation or financial benefit? If yes, please explain: _____

No.

Do you currently have a relative serving on the board/committee to which you have applied? No

Are you an elector (registered voter) in the City of Birmingham? Yes

Signature of Applicant Michael Kern Date 2/3/2021

Return the completed and signed application form to: City of Birmingham, City Clerk's Office, 151 Martin, Birmingham, MI 48009 or by email to clerk@bhamgov.org or fax to 248.530.1080. Updated 11/18/2020

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Rebekah Craft <rebekah.craft@baldwinlib.org>

Library Board of Directors

2 messages

Michael Kern <michaelbkern@gmail.com>
To: rebekah.craft@baldwinlib.org

Mon, Feb 8, 2021 at 11:33 PM

Good evening,

I am interested in being considered for the open position on the Birmingham Library Board of Directors. Attached, please find a copy of the application and my resume.

How would my involvement on the Library Board of Directors benefit the Baldwin Public Library?


As a parent of two young girls (ages 3 and 8 months), I think I bring a different perspective to the board than most of the current board members. I also believe my experience as an attorney would be useful to the library board.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thank you.

Michael

2 attachments

 **KERNM1_20210203.pdf**
135K

 **MBK - Resume.pdf**
80K

Rebekah Craft <rebekah.craft@baldwinlib.org>
To: Michael Kern <michaelbkern@gmail.com>

Tue, Feb 9, 2021 at 9:38 AM

Michael,

Thank you for submitting your application. Are you available to interview with the library board at a special meeting on Wednesday, February 17 at 7:30pm during their Special Meeting?

The originally stated term of this appointment was incorrect. According to the City Code, the Library Board is only allowed to appoint a Board member until the next scheduled election. In this case, the term will run from February through November 1, 2021. At the November 2 election, there will be a separate spot on the ballot to elect a Board member to fill the last two years of this position (November 2021 through November 2023).

Rebekah
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MICHAEL B. KERN

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Education

Boston College Law School, Newton, MA

Juris Doctor, May 2012

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Bachelor of Arts, in Political Science, May 2001

Legal Experience

Kitch Drutchas Wagner Valitutti & Sherbrook

Detroit, MI

Senior Associate

July 2017-present

Represented post-acute care and senior living clients in a variety of litigation matters, including medical malpractice, premises liability, general liability, and landlord-tenant. Counseled post-acute care providers in regulatory and corporate compliance matters, as well as federal and state law.

Harvey Kruse, P.C.

Troy, MI

Associate Attorney

July 2016-July 2017

Represented clients in a variety of litigation matters, including general liability, premises liability, first and third party automobile liability, product liability, and toxic tort.

Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith

Boston, MA

Associate Attorney

December 2013-July 2016

Represented clients in a variety of litigation matters, including general liability, products liability, professional liability, and toxic tort.

Morrissey, Hawkins, & Lynch

Boston, MA

Attorney/Law Clerk

June 2011-November 2013

Practice included complex construction litigation and real estate and general business planning.

Simmons College

Boston, MA

Law Clerk, Office of the General Counsel

June 2010-May 2011

Counseled faculty and administrators regarding best practices and updates to Higher Education Opportunity Act of 2008.

Bar Admission

Michigan (2016)

U.S. District Court, Eastern District of Michigan (2016)

Massachusetts (2012)

U.S. District Court, District of Massachusetts (2013)

Other Work Experience

Marx Layne & Co.

Account Executive

Farmington Hills, MI
September 2007-June 2009

The News-Star

Reporter/Prep Sports Editor

Monroe, LA
October 2004-August 2007

Odessa American

Sports Reporter

Odessa, TX
August 2001-October 2004