# City of London - Application for Appointment to a City of London Board or Commission

## **Application**

Please choose the Board or Commission you are interested in serving on: **London Transit Commission** 

### **Contact Information**

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## **Experience and Qualifications**

If you have experience on a London Board or Commission, please provide dates and details. (max. 3000 characters): I am currently a director on the St. Joseph's Healthcare board and serve on the Resource, Planning and Audit committee as well as the People and Mission committee (essentially the human resources committee). I started volunteering for the People and Mission Committee in 2019 and was named a director in 2020. I served as a director for London Middlesex Community Housing from 2018 to 2019, as well as a director for the London Chamber of Commerce from 2017 to 2018. I had to resign from the Chamber of Commerce in order to run for city council in 2018. I have also served as a director for Red Shoe Society and the London Youth Orchestra.

What do you hope to contribute or learn as part of a Board or Commission? (max. 3000 characters): As my resume will reflect, I have considerable business, legal, community board and political experience. I think it is important for members of London's business community to volunteer their time and provide these skills to community organizations. I also think that our transit system is one of the most important parts of our municipal infrastructure. In the covid recovery, it will be more important than ever to support our transit system to help with the economic recovery. I would really like to volunteer my time and put these skills to work to support our transit system and help with the economic recovery as much as I can.

How will you support the work of a Board or Commission? (max. 3000 characters): I would support the work of the London Transit Commission in several ways.

First, I have significant general board and committee experience so I am well-versed in Robert's rules and the expectations and responsibilities of directors on community boards. I believe this experience would allow me to quickly integrate myself into the position without a significant learning curve.

Second, my present occupation is a commercial litigation lawyer and professor. I spend most of my professional time problem-solving, working cooperatively with others and engaging in dispute resolution. I also have excellent communication and presentation skills. I believe that these skills translate well to the role of a director on a community board such as the London Transit Commission because I am comfortable sharing my views, having my views critically assessed and working as a team.

Third, my roles as a commercial litigator and a director for numerous community boards have provided me with significant experience concerning audits, business plans, effective corporate governance, construction and procurement matters, contracts and human resources issues. My substantive knowledge in these areas will allow me to make effective, informed decisions as a director on the key issues that the board will be asked to consider. I believe that my combined work and volunteering experience would allow

me to support the board and collaborate with other directors and the commission's executive staff to provide effective leadership for the organization.

Please describe additional experience, training, or community involvement that will help you in your role as a Board or Commission Member. (max. 3000 characters): Aside from my employment and volunteer activities, I have also been involved in all levels of politics. I worked for two federal cabinet ministers and have been involved in various municipal campaigns, including my own in 2018 in ward 5. As a result, I have in-depth knowledge of the various levels of funding that affect transit at the municipal level as well as the interaction between the various levels of government concerning what legislation governs municipal public transit. I believe that this experience will allow me to assist the board in navigating the political, legislative and funding considerations that may permeate the policies the board is asked to consider.

Attach resume or other document here, if needed:

Attach more files here, if needed:

### **Confirmations**

I declare the following: I am a resident of London.; I am at least 18 years old.; I am not a City employee or Council member.; I understand that my application will be included on a public agenda that is published on the City website.

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