

City of London - Application for Appointment to City of London Municipal Council - Ward 6

Application

Contact Information

Name: **Bronagh Morgan**

Qualifying Address: **1480 Mickleborough Drive**

City, Province, Postal Code: **London**

Phone Number (for internal use only):

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Experience and Qualifications

Please provide a brief written statement explaining why you would like to serve the remainder of the term as Ward 6 Councillor: (maximum 250 words):

I love my London community. I love my neighbours. I've lived all over the City since moving here in 2002. Ward 6 was a great place to make a home for the years I lived there. It's beautiful and diverse. Council just lost a member who served this Ward and the City with integrity, and made well-reasoned decisions on challenging issues. Councilor Squire left personal feelings and political affiliations out of his work. If appointed, I would follow his example. I understand the interests of those who have a bit more than they need, and those who struggle, because I have been both. I am a single parent, and despite the obvious demands that places on me, I am always seeking new opportunities to contribute to the community where my children are growing up, and to the world that they'll inherit.

Please provide a brief written statement regarding your experience and qualifications: (maximum 250 words):

I understand politics because I have been involved as a candidate, as a candidate support person, and now as a member of the media as host of a local politics broadcast on Rogers TV. I have taken the time to get to know many of the current Councillors personally, and I follow the issues most important to London closely. I am educated in the law, and have done research and writing on law and policy for over 15 years. I know how the levels of government work together. I take pride in my ability to connect with people of all ages and situations throughout our region, province and country. I have worked independently for many years, so I'm adept at managing my time and at handling multiple obligations simultaneously. I have first-hand experience in serving on boards and committees, big and small, so I know how they work. I am a great listener and an energetic team player. I am a tireless advocate, when one is needed.

Please provide a brief answer to the following question: Do you intend to seek Election to the same council seat in the 2022 Election? (it being noted that Municipal Council cannot prevent a person who is eligible from seeking election to Municipal Council, regardless of the statement provided.)(maximum 250 words):

It's possible. I would only seek to serve beyond the mandate of this appointment if feedback on my performance from citizens of Ward 6 or another Ward (I live in neighbouring Ward 7 right now) suggested they were happy with my representation of their interests. I'd seek that feedback through regular interaction with constituents via in-person and virtual townhall meetings, and by being available and accessible at City Hall and at community events.

Attach resume or other document here, if needed: **Resume, City of London.pdf**

Attach more files here, if needed:

Confirmations

You must be able to make these confirmations to apply for this role: **I am a resident of London, Ontario, Canada, or I am the owner or tenant of land there, or the spouse of such owner or tenant.; I am at least 18 years old.; I am not ineligible or disqualified under the Municipal Elections Act, 1996, the Municipal Act, 2001, the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act or any other Act to be elected to or hold the above-mentioned office.; I am not prohibited from voting at the municipal election under the Municipal Elections Act, 1996.; I understand that my application may be published on a public agenda accessible to the public on the City of London's website.**

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Executive Summary

- Experienced (15+ years) legal/policy writer and editor
- Unique, broad-based understanding of Canadian legal, regulatory, and political landscape
- Creative, engaging communicator, storyteller, and educator
- Dedicated volunteer for local charities and institutions

Education

The Nuts and Bolts (advanced mediation), **Lightstone Mediation** (2021)
Essentials of Mediation, **Lightstone Mediation** (2021)
Alberta Bar Admission Course, **Law Society of Alberta** (2000)
Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.), **Queen's University** (1999)
Honours Bachelor of Arts (B.A. Hons.), **Trent University** (1993) – major English

Professional Experience

Legal Writer **Lexis Nexis Canada/Self-employed** **5/2005 - present**
Read, summarize, and categorize court judgments and tribunal decisions from all Canadian jurisdictions; adhere to short publishing deadlines; test new software to optimize search results; provide legal research, drafting and editing services to private clients; co-author books and online newsletters; draft contracts and invoice clients

Director **Bereaved Families of Ontario (BFO)** **4/2015 – 12/2019**
Lead organizational transformation of southwest regional affiliate; provide front-line services including one-on-one peer support; train peer facilitators; compose outreach and marketing materials; plan and execute fundraising events; deliver educational workshops and awareness seminars; build partnerships with government, healthcare institutions and community service organizations; draft and present policy proposals; write major grant applications and secure major funding grants; report to Board of Directors; design and write Annual Reports

Editor **CHeS** **5/2003 - 5/2005**
Research, through interviewing industry experts and conducting online research, issues relating to occupational health and safety; compose material, edit, and design periodical for paying members of Centre for Health, Environment and Safety; consult on special projects, including graphic design and composing press releases; coordinate and host conferences and educational workshops

Research manager **Siskinds LLP** **1/2002 - 5/2003**
Provide high-level legal research and drafting services to full-service law firm; mentor articling students (providing guidance on legal research and writing, editing work); take initial steps to design and build database of firm-produced intellectual property

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Key Skills and Competencies

Legal research, writing and drafting

- Author/editor of headnotes in CCS, LawNet and Netletter QuickLaw databases, tasked with writing concise case summaries and translating complex concepts into accessible language
- Co-author of draft policy document enacted into law by Canadian federal government in October 2020 to reunite bi-national families during COVID-19 pandemic (Faces of Advocacy)
- Conduct in-depth policy and curriculum reviews for major healthcare institutions and not-for profit organizations (STEGH, LHSC, BFO)
- Conduct online research to ensure topics covered and guests included for weekly cable broadcast are relevant, timely and engaging (Rogers TV)

Creative communications

- Use storytelling, visual art, and social media to build community and educate
- Develop conferences for legal and business professionals, including program research, design of marketing materials, speaker invitations and event hosting
- Evaluate and re-design training manuals and member newsletters to increase engagement and ensure information is current and appropriate (BFO, CHeS)
- Create video content for Indigenous social enterprise for youth and residents of Southwestern Ontario region (Yotuni)
- Consult with non-profit corporations about funding opportunities through municipal, provincial, and federal programs, and successfully write grant applications and reports to donors

Board, Volunteer, and other relevant experience (past/present)

Host, **#LdnOntTV on Rogers TV London**: for this weekly politics/current affairs broadcast, I research timely topics, invite and interview guests, and assist in social media and community outreach activities

Family Reunification Advocate, **Faces of Advocacy**: for this grassroots social media movement, I provide legal research and analysis, draft policy, and network with decision makers in the federal government and mainstream media to increase awareness and build support

Board Director/Governance Committee, **London Abused Women's Centre (LAWC)**

Finance, Quality, Ethics and Perinatal Loss Committees, **London Health Sciences Centre (LHSC)**

Patient Partner, **St. Thomas-Elgin General Hospital (STEGH)**

Community Artist, **London Arts Live**

Content contributor/advisor, **Yotuni Friendship Circle** (Indigenous social enterprise)

Board member, **All City Choir**

Fitness instructor, **City of London Recreation**