

# APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO LAKE COUNTY BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, & COMMITTEES



**Application For: \***

Central Region Town Hall

Name of Board, Commission or Committee

**Seat Category: \***

Open Position

**Incumbent: \***

Yes

No

**Supervisorial District: \***

District 3

[Lake Country District Map](#)

**Applicant Name: \***

Blue, Jacob

**Home Address: \***

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

Lucerne

Zip Code

95458

State

CA

**Is This Your Mailing Address as well? \***

Yes

No

Mailing Address

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**Primary Phone \***

**E-mail \***

**Current Occupation: \***

Business Owner

**Are you registered to vote in Lake County? \***

Yes

No

**Community organizations to which you belong: \***

Northshore Business Association

Lake County Fair foundation

Rotary International

**List past or present County appointments, as well as any other public service appointments, or elected positions held (please list dates served): \***

NA

**Briefly describe how your participation on this Board will help the Lake County Community: \***

As a local business owner, employer, certified financial counselor, and licensed realtor, I bring a multifaceted perspective to the business community. My experience spans across several industries, allowing me to understand the diverse challenges and opportunities faced by businesses, employees, and entrepreneurs alike.

Being directly involved in the day-to-day operations of multiple businesses gives me a practical, hands-on understanding of what it takes to start, sustain, and grow a business in our community. As an employer, I am attuned to workforce needs, labor trends, and the importance of creating supportive environments for employees to thrive. As a financial counselor, I have the privilege of helping individuals and businesses improve their financial stability and long-term planning—something that is critical for sustainable economic growth.

Additionally, my work in real estate has given me a deeper understanding of the housing market, economic development, and how land use and infrastructure planning can affect business success. These varied lenses help me see the bigger picture and offer insights that bridge multiple sectors.

I believe these combined experiences allow me to contribute unique insights and ideas that can expand the reach and impact of what we are planning. My goal is to not only participate, but to help create meaningful, community-driven solutions that foster innovation, support local enterprise, and strengthen our region's economic foundation.

**List any special qualifications or expertise you may have for the position and any other information you would like to include as part of your application: \***

I previously served as a Regional Manager of Workforce Services, where I dedicated many years to leading workforce development initiatives and conducting in-depth analysis of our local labor market. This role gave me a comprehensive understanding of the unique needs of our businesses and the diverse workforce that supports them.

Currently, I assist businesses in their growth and development by offering financial literacy education and one-on-one financial counseling. My goal is to empower business owners with the tools and knowledge they need to succeed financially and operationally.

I am deeply committed to my community and am passionate about contributing to its continued improvement. My wide-ranging skill set includes technical expertise, operational and organizational management, legal insight, public speaking, and marketing. I am also a certified financial counselor, and I bring both strategic thinking and hands-on experience to the table.

I believe my background and skills would be a valuable asset to this board, and I am eager to support initiatives that promote economic growth, workforce advancement, and overall community development.

**Do you or any member of your immediate family hold a position that might conflict with your duties for this Board/Commission? \***

- Yes  
 No

## LAKE COUNTY ADVISORY BOARD, COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY

### Policy

**LAKE COUNTY  
ADVISORY BOARD, COMMITTEE AND COMMISSION  
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In addition to any Federal or State conflict of interest requirements which may apply, no member of any Advisory board, commission or committee shall make, participate in making or in any way attempt to use their position to influence a decision in which he or she knows or has reason to know that he or she or their spouse has a

financial interest. In all such cases, the affected member shall disclose his or her interests in the records of the board, commission or committee and shall refrain from participating in all discussions and votes concerning the matter in which he/she or his/her spouse has a financial interest.

The purpose of this policy is not only to avoid actual improprieties, but also the appearance of possible improprieties. Therefore, it is the policy of the Board of Supervisors that any doubts as to whether a member shall refrain from participating in a particular matter should be resolved in favor of non-participation.

While recognizing that state law and regulations may specify categories of memberships on certain boards, commissions and committees, to the extent possible, no one shall be appointed to a board, commission or committee which recommends funding allocations to community based organizations, who is (or whose spouse is) a director, or officer of an agency or organization which competes in the funding process before that board, commission or committee.

The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors shall provide all applicants for County boards, commissions and committees with copies of this Conflict of Interest Policy. Additionally, the County's staff to each board, commission, and committee shall assist in monitoring compliance with the conflict of interest policy. Monitoring shall include annual review of appointee circumstances as they may change during each appointee's term of office.

All applicants shall state on their application for appointment what affiliation, if any, they or their spouse has with public service agencies. Additionally, all applicants shall certify prior to their participation as a voting representative of the Board of Supervisors that they have read this policy and can serve free of any conflict of interest. The certification will be made by an applicant/nominee by signing the application for their appointment. Further, should any conflict of interest arise during the appointee's term of office, the appointee shall so declare and abstain from participation on the proceeding and business as it relates to the area of conflict.

For those boards, commissions and committees which recommend funding allocations to the Board of Supervisors, no member shall participate in any discussions or decisions related to an agency of which the member or the member's spouse is a director or officer. Additionally, unless state law or regulation require otherwise, any such member shall also refrain from participation in discussions or decisions related to proposals which are in direct competition with a proposal submitted by the agency of which the member or member's spouse is a director or officer.

#### APPOINTMENT OF COUNTY EMPLOYEES TO ADVISORY BOARDS

(Policies & Procedures Manual, Section 1-7)

In order to further community involvement in County government and to further the independence of advisory boards, it shall be the policy of the Board of Supervisors to discourage appointment of County employees to those advisory boards which are intended to consist of independent citizens and/or community members.

(Adopted on 10/14/86 and amended on 4/12/94)

#### **County of Lake Code of Conduct for Boards, Commissions, and Committees**

This Code of Conduct is incorporated in the Board of Supervisors, Committees Policy, Sec 1.6, Rule 6, "County of Lake Code of Conduct for Boards, Commissions, and Committees".

The County of Lake's (County's) wide range of boards, commissions, and committees serve a critical role as a mechanism for civic engagement. While no single code of conduct can address all the varied board, commission, and committee circumstances, the purpose of this universal Code of Conduct is to create standards and expectations of conduct that align with the County's values and are consistent with the protocols of the Board of Supervisors.

All members of County boards, commissions, and committees are expected to abide by this Code of Conduct. Each appointee to such boards, commissions, and committees shall acknowledge receipt, understanding, and agreement to abide by this Code of Conduct.

By our conduct, we create an environment in which we adhere to and pledge to uphold the following values:

We acknowledge that the principal function of County of Lake boards, commissions, and committees (or representatives) is public service, and we therefore commit to serving the public interest and promoting the greatest public good.

We recognize that our actions impact the community's trust in the County and government as a whole and commit to act with honesty and integrity.

We commit to vigilance in avoiding bias or conflict of interest whether they be real or perceived, acknowledging that even the perception of such corrodes public trust.

We commit to fairness, impartiality, active listening, and consideration of all points of view by setting aside our personal agendas, affiliations, and biases. We make informed decisions after carefully weighing relevant data and assessing the merits and possible impacts.

We recognize that diversity is a strength and commit to promoting an inclusive and welcoming culture at public meetings and with each other to foster participation and representation across all our varied communities.

We practice civility by fostering a professional environment of courteous, respectful, and equitable treatment of our fellow members, elected officials, County staff and the residents we serve, through our words and actions whether we agree or disagree.

We are committed to fostering an environment free from violence, discrimination, intimidation, or harassment of any kind.

We are committed to transparency, access to information, and promoting broad public engagement.

We will respect and comply with all applicable laws, regulations, and County policies, including Board of Supervisors' Policy section 1.6 "Committees Policy", the County's Code of Ethics, the Political Reform Act, and the Ralph M. Brown Act.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I, , have read, understand, and agree to abide by the above County of Lake Code of Conduct for Boards, Commissions, and Committees during my tenure as a member of a County board, commission, or committee.

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**Signature \***

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jacob Blue".

**Date Time \***

04/01/2025

I certify that the above information is true and correct, and that I have read the Lake County Advisory Board, Committee and Commission Conflict of Interest Policy. I agree to abide by that policy, and to the best of my knowledge, I have no conflict of interest.