

George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee

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Applicant	Date	Address	Contact	Status
Colin Christopher Eilts	8/12/2024	Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria. (NOTE: If your are not a City of Alexandria resident, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.): Yes		Validated
Mr. Hunter Huang Dai Ihrman	8/28/2024	Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria. (NOTE: If your are not a City of Alexandria resident, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.): Yes		Validated

Colin Christopher Eilts

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Status

Name Colin Christopher Eilts
Application Date 8/12/2024
Expiration Date 2/12/2025
Board Member [Colin Eilts](#)
Status Validated

Board	Vacancies	Status
George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee	3	Contested (Incumbent)

Basic Information

Name
Colin Christopher Eilts
Date of Birth
REDACTED

Contact Information

Yes, I am a resident of the City of Alexandria. (NOTE: If you are not a City of Alexandria resident, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.)
Yes
Email
REDACTED
Alternate email
REDACTED
Phone
REDACTED

Occupation

Employer (student and youth applicants list school)
U.S. Department of State
Job Title
REDACTED

New Applicant or Current Member

Current Member

If current member, please list the board:

George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee

What seat are you applying for? (Ex: citizen, architect, youth member, etc.)

Citizen

Do you currently live in the City of Alexandria? NOTE: If your answer is no, a residency waiver is required for positions that are not specific to an organization or profession.

Yes (Enter How Long), 13 years

Statement of Interest

I am nearing the end of my first full term on the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee. I have learned a great deal from the current and former members as well as from my active participation. Over the next few years, our nation will be celebrating our 250th anniversary. I would very much like to be a part of ongoing efforts by the dedicated volunteers in our city to help our fellow citizens commemorate that incredible time in our history. I also understand this committee in particular has some unique challenges with regard to funding that I would like to be a part of helping to solve.

Have you ever served the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

Yes (Please explain), Committee Member

Have you ever attended a meeting of the Board or Commission for which you are applying?

Yes

Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

No

Do any of your immediate relatives or business associates now serve the City of Alexandria in any capacity?

No

Attendance Requirements: Sec. 2-4-7 of the City Code requires appointees to attend at least 75% of the yearly committee meetings. Absences may be excused because of personal illness or serious illness of members of the immediate family, death of a family member, unscheduled business trips and emergency work assignments only. All other absences are recorded as unexcused. In light of the aforementioned statement, will you be able to attend at least 75% of the regular meetings of the board which you may be appointed?

Yes

If applicable, will you comply with the provisions of the City's conflict of interest requirements in City Ordinance 2867 regarding the completion of a financial disclosure statement?

Yes

Educational Background

University of South Dakota

References - Please list names, phone number and/or email addresses of three references that support your application.

REDACTED

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Mr. Hunter Huang Dai Ihrman

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Application Date 8/28/2024
Expiration Date 2/28/2025
Board Member [Hunter Huang Dai Ihrman](#)
Status Validated

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Basic Information

Name
Mr. Hunter Huang Dai Ihrman
Date of Birth
REDACTED

Contact Information

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National Cattlemen's Beef Association
Job Title
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New Applicant or Current Member

New Applicant

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Citizen

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Yes (Enter How Long), 1.2 years

Statement of Interest

Thank you for the opportunity to present my application for the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee. I first experienced Alexandria's George Washington birthday celebration events when I was a student at The George Washington University. I was immediately impressed by these fascinating, engaging, and historical events. I would be honored to use my experience to contribute to future George Washington birthday celebrations. Currently, I serve as the Director of Policy Communications for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA). Initiated in 1898, NCBA is the oldest and largest trade association representing America's cattle ranchers. As part of my role, I work with the media to promote NCBA's major events including an annual convention and summer business meeting. This has given me an understanding of how to highlight special events to the media and utilize earned media to drive event attendance. Another part of my role is supporting special events happening in Washington, D.C. NCBA frequently hosts agricultural groups, foreign embassies, U.S. government officials, and state and local government officials for a variety of dinners, receptions, and celebrations. From grilling for these events to managing protocol and logistics, this work has given me a bottom-up perspective on managing events from start to finish. Outside of work, I serve as Vice Chair of the Virginia Citizens' Advisory Council on Furnishing and Interpreting the Executive Mansion. This state board oversees the historic furnishings of the Executive Mansion in Richmond. Through this board, I have worked with a variety of stakeholders to tell the story of Virginia's history and identify the necessary artifacts to educate citizens on important aspects of our past. Earlier this year, I was appointed to serve as President of the National Agri-Marketing Association's Chesapeake Chapter. This organization represents agriculture communications and marketing professionals, and as President, I am directing our chapter's events to both provide networking opportunities and strengthen professional development in D.C., Maryland, and Northern Virginia. This has provided another opportunity to sharpen my event management skills, which I hope to bring to the George Washington Birthday Celebration Committee.

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Educational Background

I graduated from The George Washington University with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Communication, minor in Political Science. I graduated a semester early, magna cum laude, and with a presidential academic scholarship. While still in high school, I earned college credits through dual enrollment programs at Hope College and summer programs at Hillsdale College. Currently, I am earning a Certificate in Advanced Ranch Management from the Texas A&M University King Ranch Institute for Ranch Management.

Summary of Work and Experience

I currently work for the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, a trade association representing America's cattle ranchers. Previously, I served as a federal contractor supporting the implementation of body-worn cameras at U.S. Customs and Border Protection. Earlier in my career, I worked in the Office of Public Affairs at the U.S. Department of the Treasury. While in college, I gained experience with several internships on Capitol Hill.

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