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Applicant	Date	Address	Contact	Status
Krystle R. Bransky	10/28/2024	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
Allison Heiser	8/31/2024	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
Katia Hunt Nilender	10/24/2024	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

Krystle R. Bransky

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Status

Name Krystle R. Bransky

Application Date 10/28/2024

Board Vacancies Status

Commission for Women 4 Contested

Application Date 10/28/2024 Expiration Date 4/28/2025

Board Member Krystle R. Bransky

Status Validated

Basic Information

Krystle R. Bransky

Date of Birth

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Name

Contact Information

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

Email
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Phone

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Occupation

Employer (student and youth applicants list school)

American Psychological Association

Job Title REDACTED

New Applicant or Current Member

New Applicant

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), 5 years

Statement of Interest

See attachment

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

No

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

NO

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

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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

Master of Business Administration (MBA) | Southern New Hampshire University - graduated December 2023. • Inducted Member of the National Society of Leadership & Success Bachelor of Science in Accounting | St. Peter's University

Summary of Work and Experience

Dynamic senior leader with 20 years of progressive experience in accounting, audit, and tax compliance. Demonstrated expertise in optimizing financial performance, driving strategic initiatives, and ensuring regulatory compliance. Proven ability to lead financial operations, implement best practices, and contribute to organizational growth. A strategic partner known for delivering outstanding financial results, maximizing operational efficiency, and fostering a culture of collaboration and innovation.

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

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Allison Heiser

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Status

Name
Allison Heiser
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Application Date 8/31/2024

Expiration Date 3/3/2025

Board Member Allison Heiser

Status Validated

Basic Information

Name
Allison Heiser

Date of Birth
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Contact Information

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.)

Email
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Yes

Occupation

Employer (student and youth applicants list school)
Booz Allen Hamilton

Job Title REDACTED

New Applicant or Current Member

New Applicant

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), 2.5 years

Statement of Interest

To the Selection Committee, I am writing to express my enthusiastic interest in joining the City Commission on Women. With a deep commitment to advancing gender equity and considering the needs of all women in our city, I am eager to contribute to the commission's vital work providing advice and consultation to City Council on issues concerning women. My background in working with the Department of Defense, and experiencing policies and cultures that do not always consider gender perspectives, and my work with international Allies and partner nations promoting gender equality through Women, Peace, and security initiatives, have reinforced my passion and commitment for being an advocate for women in my own community. My consulting experience has also equipped me with a comprehensive understanding of the challenges women face, as well as the skills needed to address these issues effectively. I have had the privilege of working on various initiatives aimed at improving women's access to resources, including as part of the Advisory Committee to the Booz Allen Women's Community, as a Board Member of the Latin American Forum, and in integrating Women, Peace, and Security initiatives into the U.S. Department of Defense engagements with its Allies and partners. These experiences have honed my ability to analyze complex issues, collaborate with diverse stakeholders, consider key components of intersectionality (e.g., race, socio-economic background), and develop actionable solutions. I am particularly passionate about women's healthcare access, domestic violence prevention, and workplace equality. As an individual currently undergoing fertility treatment in today's political climate, I believe that by focusing on healthcare access (including mental health resources), we can create meaningful, lasting change that benefits not only women but the entire community. My goal is to leverage my skills in strategic planning and analysis to support the commission's efforts to provide the best possible advice to City Council. What excites me most about this opportunity is the potential to work alongside a dedicated group of individuals who share a commitment to gender equity. I am eager to bring my unique perspective and experience to the table. I am confident that my background, combined with my dedication to fostering an inclusive and equitable environment, will allow me to contribute effectively to the commission's mission. Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the opportunity to discuss how I can contribute to the important work of the Commission on Women. Sincerely, Allison Heiser

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

No

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

Nο

Are you now paid by the City of Alexandria?

Nο

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

Yes

Please explain relation and capacity:

My husband is a citizen committee member of the Sister Cities Committee (Dundee, Scotland and Helsingborg, Sweden)

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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

M.A., International Affairs, King's College London, 2023 B.A. Economics, Public Policy, Spanish, Vanderbilt University, 2010

Summary of Work and Experience

I have worked at Booz Allen Hamilton for 14 years as a strategic planner and program manager, focusing on security cooperation and international affairs. I lead a portfolio of over 100 Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) on diverse programs, including those supporting the U.S. Department of Defense. My previous roles include leading a diverse workforce of 420+ in Europe, managing \$96M per year in funding, and providing security cooperation expertise to NATO, U.S. European Command, and U.S. Africa Command (AFRICOM). I have successfully driven policy and program improvements, conducted gap analyses, and developed key strategic documents. I hold a Master's in International Affairs from King's College London and a Project Management Professional (PMP) Certification. My expertise spans data management, strategic planning, and stakeholder coordination, with advanced proficiency in relevant data analytics software and tools.

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Katia Hunt Nilender

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Name

Katia Hunt Nilender

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Board Member Katia Hunt Nilender

Status Validated

Basic Information

Katia Hunt Nilender

Name

Contact Information

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Occupation

Employer (student and youth applicants list school)
U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Job Title REDACTED

New Applicant or Current Member

New Applicant

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), 3.5 years

Statement of Interest

Dear Members of the Selection Committee, I am writing to express my enthusiastic interest in joining the Alexandria Commission for Women Board. Since purchasing my first home in Alexandria in 2021, I have developed a deep love for our city and have always held a strong commitment to advancing gender equality and women's rights. The Commission's mission to eliminate gender discrimination and promote equal opportunities for women resonates deeply with me. My experience in talent acquisition has provided me with valuable insights into diverse hiring practices and the critical importance of equality in the workforce. Throughout my career, I have dedicated myself to fostering inclusive and equitable workplaces in companies such as Marriott, Louis Vuitton, and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce. These experiences have equipped me with the skills to advocate for policies and practices that support women's advancement and well-being. I am particularly drawn to the opportunity to provide advice and consultation to the City Council on issues affecting women. I believe that my passion for gender equality, combined with my professional expertise, will enable me to contribute meaningfully to the Commission's important work. My strong organizational skills and attention to detail will further benefit the board by ensuring a thorough and effective execution of its initiatives. Joining the Alexandria Commission for Women Board would allow me to give back to the community I cherish and work on issues that I am deeply passionate about. I am eager to collaborate with fellow board members to continue the Commission's legacy of promoting gender equality and supporting the women of Alexandria. Thank you for considering my application. I look forward to the possibility of contributing to the vital work of the Alexandria Commission for Women. Sincerely, Katia Nilender

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No

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Educational Background

I hold a Bachelor's Degree in Hospitality Management with a Minor in French from the University of Central Florida, where I graduated Magna Cum Laude, ranking in the top five percent of my class with a GPA of 3.8. My education provided me with a solid foundation in leadership, management, and cross-cultural communication, essential skills for navigating the hospitality and business sectors. Additionally, I have earned certifications as a Society for Human Resource Management Certified Professional (SHRM-CP) in May 2023 and an Associate Professional in Human Resources Certificate (aPHR) in August 2020, further enhancing my expertise in human resources and organizational management.

Summary of Work and Experience

I have a diverse background in human resources and talent acquisition, currently serving as the Recruiting Operations Lead at the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, where I manage the internship program for the world's largest business organization, overseeing approximately 110 interns annually. Previously, I worked as an Internal Mobility Recruiter for The Walt Disney Company, where I coached employees on career transitions and provided tailored support throughout the interview process. My experience also includes serving as a Regional Talent Acquisition Specialist at Louis Vuitton, where I managed full-cycle recruitment for multiple retail locations, and as a Senior Program Specialist at Marriott International, where I organized leadership training programs. Additionally, I am actively involved in volunteer work, assisting newly arrived refugees with employment opportunities with LSSNCA, showcasing my commitment to community service and support.

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