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From: Liz Stefanics
Sent: Sunday, March 15, 2015 4:26 PM
To: Robert A. Anaya; Kathy S. Holian; Miguel Chavez; hroybal@santafecountynm.gov; Tony T. Flores; Katherine Miller; Greg Shaffer
Subject: Letter of interest and resume for Senate District 39 nominee
Attachments: Liz - Resume 3-2015.doc

Chair Anaya and Commissioners:

Please accept this email as a letter of interest for the State Senate District 39 nomination. I am currently a County Commissioner in Santa Fe County completing my second term.

While I believe that the voters can ultimately select their candidate in the next election, I understand there might be early consideration of this nomination.

As a past State Senator, I am very familiar with 4 of the 6 counties in the district - San Miguel, Santa Fe, Bernalillo, and Torrance.

My resume is attached.

Thank you for your consideration of my interest.

Thanks,

Liz Stefanics

Cell:

APPLICATION FOR STATE SENATE DISTRICT 39 VACANCY

I, Elizabeth "Liz" Stefanics, being first duly sworn, states as follows:

1. I wish to be nominated by the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County and appointed by the Governor to the position of State Senator for State Senate District 39.

2. I am a citizen of the United States, a resident of the State of New Mexico, and a resident of New Mexico State Senate District 39. **Copy of Passport**

3. The physical address of my residence, determined in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 1-1-7, is 38 Shawnodese Rd., Santa Fe, NM 87508. **Property Tax Bill**

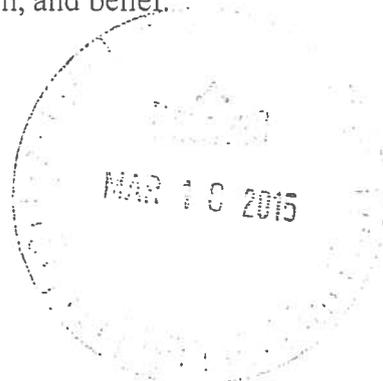
4. I am 25 years of age or older. **Copy of Passport**

5. I am a qualified elector, meaning that I am a resident of the State and qualified to vote under the provisions of the constitution of New Mexico and the constitution of the United States. **- Santa Fe County, Precinct 88**

The information and statements in my letter of interest and resume accompanying my application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Elizabeth "Liz" Stefanics

Signature of Applicant



NOTARIZATION

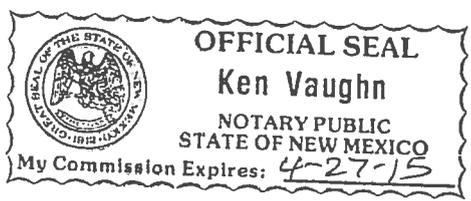
State of *New Mexico*
(County) of *Santa Fe*

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on March *18*, 2015, by *Elizabeth Stefanics*

My commission expires: *April 27, 2015*

Ken Vaughn

Signature of Notarial Officer



ELIZABETH "LIZ" STEFANICS

Email:

EDUCATION

Risk Management for Public Entities Certificate, RMPE 352, AICPCU IIA (American Institute for Chartered Property Casualty Underwriters Insurance Institute of America). April 2007.

Foundations in Risk Management Certificate, PRIMA (Public Risk Management Association). October 2006.

Risk Financing Boot Camp, ASHRM and PRIMA (American Society for Healthcare Risk Management and Public Risk Management Association). March 2006.

Post Doctoral Work

Law, Public Administration (Health Care); University of New Mexico; Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Law, Higher Education Administration; The Ohio State University; Columbus, Ohio.

- Ph.D. Division of Recreation, Parks, and Leisure Studies; College of Education; University of Minnesota; Minneapolis, Minnesota; 1981. Supporting Areas: Law, Higher Education Administration.
- M.S. Recreation Resources Management Program; Department of Continuing and Vocational Education; College of Agriculture and Life Sciences; University of Wisconsin; Madison, Wisconsin; 1975.
- B.S. Department of Recreation and Park Administration; College of Health, Physical Education, and Recreation; Eastern Kentucky University; Richmond, Kentucky; 1971.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

CONSULTANT – RESOURCES FOR CHANGE POLICY WORKS (501c3) (January 2012 - current)

Facilitation of dialogues, convenings, evaluation, compliance, research analysis, education, and outreach on public policy issues.

CONSULTANT – RESOURCES FOR CHANGE, INC. (February 2009 - 2011)

Facilitation, training, evaluation, planning, research, government relations. (I.e. Legislative and Executive NM Health Insurance Exchange Summit. Health Care Reform reports - NM Human Services Department; PRC – Division of Insurance; and Con Alma Health Foundation and Kellogg Foundation Blueprint for Health in NM.

SANTA FE COUNTY COMMISSIONER (2009 – 2016)

Decision making related to county business – i.e. public safety, emergency services, housing, health and human services, regional planning, solid waste, land and water use, growth management, transportation, fees and taxes, administration, political issues, and various other matters.

FACULTY SENIOR FELLOW, RWJF @ UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO. (2014 – 2016)

GOVERNMENT AND HEALTH POLICY LIAISON, SCHOOL OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO. (August 2009 - May 2012)

Facilitation of new health administration program, graduate student outreach, executive training, and responses to government training requests.

STATE HEALTH POLICY LIAISON, ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON FOUNDATION CENTER FOR HEALTH POLICY, UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO. (August 2009 – December 2012)

Monitoring of state health policy relevant to graduate student fellowship opportunities, mentoring and advising graduate student research.

DIRECTOR – N.M. HEALTH POLICY COMMISSION (June 2006 thru January 2009)

Appointed by N.M. Governor Bill Richardson to lead the Health Policy Commission. Responsibilities included lobbying and advocacy, monitoring the implementation of the state's health policy, evaluating health information, performing needs assessments, preparing and publishing multiple reports annually, providing information and analysis on health issues, developing and maintaining databases relevant to health services in the state of New Mexico. Duties included managing the budget, staff, and performance of the agency. Agency published statutory reports, legislative memorial reports, briefing papers, fact sheets, and maintained public website with all data and reports.

RISK MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR, N.M. General Services Department, Santa Fe, NM (January 2006 – June 2007)

Appointed by N.M. Governor Bill Richardson to manage programs, operations, and budget of the state risk management program inclusive of lobbying and advocacy. Responsible for staff of 58 and budget of approximately \$480 million. Program funds include Risk (property, liability, surety, workers compensation, and unemployment compensation) and Benefits (medical, pharmacy, dental, vision, disability, life, employee assistance, and COBRA). Developed annual premiums for all lines of self-insurance coverage, purchased excess insurance, and prepared materials for actuarial annual reports. RMD serves state employees, university employees, state agencies, state universities, local public bodies, and public schools.

DEPUTY SECRETARY, N. M. Human Services Department, Santa Fe, N.M. (January 2003 - December 2005)

Appointed by N.M. Governor Bill Richardson to manage programs and operations of the state human services department. Responsible for staff of 1700, 53 field offices around the state, and budget of \$2.8 billion (state and federal). Programs include Medical Assistance Division (Medicaid, Medicaid Waivers, Long Term Care, Income Support Division (TANF – Temporary Assistance to Needy Families, Workforce Programs, Food and Nutrition, TEFAP, Food Stamps, Commodities, Homeless Programs, LIHEAP, CSDBG, Transportation, Refugee Services), and the Child Support Enforcement Division (Case Establishment, Enforcement, Collections, Customer Service, Paternity Establishment, Arrears Management, Medical Support). Coordinated agency's performance measures for the Governor, legislature, and the public including lobbying and advocacy.

REGIONAL ADVOCACY MANAGER, National Government Relations Office (NGRD), American Cancer Society (ACS), Washington, D.C. (March 2001 – December 2002)

Participated in lobbying and advocacy in the nation's capitol and in ten western state capitols. Train, facilitate, and consult with ACS staff in eight states regarding health care and cancer legislation. Implement NGRD vision of ACS federal legislation through coordinated federal grassroots activities. Develop a partnership with federal, policy, communications, and states to develop and implement strategies that will achieve ACS advocacy goals. Provide a vital link between NGRD and the field on all advocacy matters.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (CEO), Open Hands, Inc.; Santa Fe, New Mexico. (1989-93) (1994-2001)

Directed a nonprofit agency with 55 employees, 200 volunteers, and \$2.5 million budget. Managed

health and human services agency serving the frail elderly, the disabled, and the economically disadvantaged of Santa Fe and northern New Mexico in the following programs: Adult Day Services (adult day care, a Side by Side program for Alzheimer's and dementia clients, a caregivers support group), Art With Elders, Community Outreach Services (home safety assessments, volunteer home visiting, youth service corps, medical equipment loan bank, CSBG, FEMA, TEFAP), Weatherization (weatherizing, home energy assessments, LIHEAP, HOME, radon testing, low income rehabilitation loans), and Thrift Stores. Responsible for lobbying and advocacy, budget, financial management, personnel management, program development, and internal and external communications. Directed a \$3.9 million coordinated campaign for five year program support, purchase of land, and building construction.

COORDINATOR, Santa Fe Public Schools; Santa Fe, New Mexico. (1994)

Managed the public schools' participation in a Department of Labor Year Round Classroom Training Project designed to keep at risk students in the junior and senior high school setting. Facilitated training for staff, monitored federal and state compliance, completed budget reports, and coordinated teachers and program at five education sites.

NEW MEXICO STATE SENATOR, Senate District 39 (1993-96)

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (CEO), New Mexico AIDS Services, Inc. (1987-89)

Directed and managed the only statewide community based H.I.V./A.I.D.S. organization providing public education, preventative education to high risk groups, emotional support services, client services, case management, and extensive volunteer training. Included lobbying and advocacy for all HIV/AIDS services.

DIRECTOR, Albuquerque Mental Health Clinic; Albuquerque, New Mexico (1986-87)

Organized the programmatic and business structure of the outpatient clinic for Heights Psychiatric Hospital.

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY CONSULTANT, Heights Psychiatric Hospital; Albuquerque, New Mexico (1985-87)

Developed and marketed services to business and industry as a hospital referral activity through in service programs, employee/employer needs assessments, arranged management problem solving, and team building experiences.

DIRECTOR OF ACTIVITY THERAPIES, Heights Psychiatric Hospital (1985-86)

Responsible for all financial, organizational and personnel actions of the department including Occupational, Music, Art, Recreation/Leisure, Experiential/Wilderness, and Biofeedback Therapies.

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, University of New Mexico (1982-85) Recreation; Women Studies; Public Administration. Mentored Navajo students on the Navajo reservation in New Mexico, Arizona, and Utah.

ACTING DIRECTOR, Women Studies, University of New Mexico (Summer 1984)

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR (1981-82)/INSTRUCTOR (1976-79), Recreation and Parks Administration, Ohio State University

INSTRUCTOR, Recreation, Parks, and Leisure Studies, University of Minnesota (1979-81)

CAMP DIRECTOR, Nassau Girl Scout Council; Garden City, NY (Summer 1976, 1977)

LECTURER/COORDINATOR, Recreation Resources Management. University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin (1975-76)

