

Application Form**Disclaimer**

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Please Agree with the Following Statement

I have read the disclaimer above and understand my application is subject to Florida's Public Records Law.

I Agree

Profile

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 First Name Middle Initial Last Name

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 City State Postal Code

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Self employed _____ Physician Associate _____
 Employer Occupation

Education:

MS Health Science (Cleveland State University) BS Clinical Laboratory Science (University of Cincinnati)

Professional Organizations:

Leadership Gainesville 50 Alumna Florida Society of Dermatology PAs Florida Association of PAs Veterans Caucus of the AAPA

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Land Conservation Board: Submitted

What position(s) are you applying for?

Board Member at Large

Interests & Experiences**Are you currently serving or have you ever served on an Alachua County advisory board?**

Yes No

If yes, please list board(s):

Please list any civic and professional accomplishments/honors, training or experience related to this appointment:

Leadership Gainesville 50 USAF Meritorious Service Medal Former Board Member CDC Tremont (Cleveland, Ohio) Custom built homes and renovations Personal blog focusing on sustainability Clinical researcher and author

What Contributions do you feel you could make if you were selected to this board?

As a new member of the Gainesville community and a military veteran with extensive experience in building successful businesses and a deep-rooted passion for sustainable practices, I am eager to bring my skills and dedication to the Alachua County Land Conservation Board. My diverse background, ranging from constructing and renovating custom homes to advocating for intelligent and sustainable land use, has equipped me with a unique perspective on conservation and development. My lack of personal or professional ties to real estate or development companies ensures that my contributions will be unbiased and solely in the best interest of Alachua County's natural resources and residents. In my career, I have successfully built and sold businesses, a testament to my entrepreneurial spirit and strategic thinking. I have also created a sustainable fashion blog, underscoring my commitment to environmental stewardship. This passion for sustainability is not only a personal endeavor but also a professional one, as evidenced by my healthcare consulting work where I leverage research and writing skills to achieve impactful outcomes. I am eager to apply the same rigor and enthusiasm to land conservation, advocating for intelligent and sustainable land use practices that will benefit our community and environment. I am particularly interested in exploring land bank use to preserve critical habitats and open spaces in Alachua County. By enhancing and improving the guidelines of the existing Development Review Committee (DRC), which currently reviews new construction proposals, we can ensure that new construction projects contribute positively to the community and environment, rather than causing unintended harm. Enhancing this committee's oversight will be instrumental in maintaining the aesthetic and ecological integrity of Gainesville and surrounding areas. This committee can provide valuable oversight, ensuring that development aligns with our conservation goals. Furthermore, I am passionate about empowering homeowners to beautify their properties using sustainable methods. By securing funding and resources for these initiatives, we can enhance land conservation efforts while fostering a sense of community pride and environmental responsibility. My experience in custom home building and renovation provides a solid foundation for understanding the practical aspects of these projects, and my background in research and advocacy will help drive innovative solutions. I am confident that my unique combination of skills, experience, and passion will make a significant contribution to the Alachua County Land Conservation Board. I look forward to the opportunity to work with fellow board members to preserve and enhance the natural beauty and ecological health of our county for future generations.

Demographics

Some boards and commissions require membership to be racially, politically or geographically proportionate to the general public. The following information helps track our recruitment and diversity efforts.

Ethnicity

Asian or Pacific islander

Gender

Female

09/10/1979

Date of Birth

Are you over the age of 60? (Required for some boards)

Yes No

Are you a resident of Alachua County?

Yes No

If you are an Alachua County resident, how long have you lived in the county?

16 months

Supplemental Questions

Some of the boards and committees appointed by the County Commission are required to comply with Chapter 112, Florida Statutes, the Financial Disclosure Law. If applicable, would you be willing to file the required financial statement?

Yes No

Do you affirm that your personal and business (if applicable) affairs within Alachua County are in substantial compliance with all county regulatory and taxing authorities rules and regulations?

Yes No

Please Agree with the Following Statement

Appointees to advisory board/committees are required to attend scheduled meetings as specified in the "Guidelines for Citizen Advisory Boards and Committees".

I Agree

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I understand that this completed application is the property of Alachua County and I hereby certify that the statements made on this application are true and correct.

I Agree

PAULA ANTONIA GONOS

Employment Summary:

- 2018-present **Principal**
Fractal Enterprises
- 2016-present **Physician Assistant, Cosmetic Dermatology**
Baumann Cosmetic and Research Institute, Miami, FL
- 2015-2016 **Physician Assistant, Otolaryngology/Facial Plastic Surgery**
Paul Tartell, MD, PL, Plantation, FL
- 2007-2012 **Medical Technologist, Cytogenetics**
Metrohealth Medical Center, Cleveland, OH
- 2004-2007 **Medical Laboratory Technician, Hematology/Transfusion Medicine,**
Cleveland Clinic, Cleveland, OH
- 2001-2004 **Medical Laboratory Journeyman**
United States Air Force, Cannon AFB, NM
- 2000-2001 **Medical Laboratory Apprentice**
United States Air Force, Andrews AFB, NM

Education:

- 2012-2014 **Cleveland State University/Cuyahoga Community College**
Physician Assistant Program, Masters of Science in Health Sciences
Cleveland OH
- 2005-2008 **University of Cincinnati**
Bachelors of Science in Clinical Laboratory Science
Cum Laude, Cincinnati, OH

Awards and Scholarships:

- 2016 Allergan Master Injector
- 2014 Cleveland Clinic/Robert D. Kruse Memorial Scholarship, Recipient
- 2014 Cuyahoga Community College, Outstanding Student Leader Award
- 2014 Cleveland Clinic PA Student Conference Challenge Bowl Winner, Team Member
- 2013 Ohio Association of Physician Assistants, Student Diversity Award Recipient
- 2008 University of Cincinnati, Cum Laude
- 2004 United States Air Force, Air Force Achievement Medal

National Defense Service Medal

Air Force Good Conduct Medal

Air Force Longevity Service Award

2002, 2003 27th Medical Group, Airman of the Quarter

2000, 2001 Community College of the Air Force, Distinguished Graduate

Current professional Memberships:

American Academy of Physician Assistants

Veterans Caucus of the AAPA

Florida Academy of Physician Assistants

Physician Assistants for Latino Health

Florida Society of Dermatology PAs

Ohio Association of Physician Assistants

Asian and Middle Eastern Caucus of the AAPA

PAs for Global Health

Florida Society of Dermatology PAs

Society of Dermatology Physician Assistants

Certifications

PA-C (NCCPA), BLS, ACLS

Service:

2024. Philippines Outreach

2023. Zambia Outreach

Operation Enduring Freedom

Lahaina Fire Reforestation

2015-present Volunteer, Drolma Kadampa Buddhist Center, Miami, FL
Volunteer, Lotus House, Miami, FL

2014 Typhoon Haiyan relief, Coron, Philippines

2012-2013 Community health screenings, Cleveland, OH

2012-2013 Student Diversity Committee Representative, Cleveland, OH

2002-2003 Squadron Medical Adviser, Cannon AFB, NM