



NOTIFICATION FOR SERVICE FOR THE
TOWN OF HUNTERSVILLE
LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCES
ADVISORY BOARD

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION

NAME Daniel L. Rikard HOME PHONE 704-497-1727
HOME ADDRESS 14442 Beatties Ford Road, Huntersville, 28078 CELL PHONE 704-497-1727
DO YOU RESIDE IN THE TOWN LIMITS OR ETJ? Yes.
PRESENT OCCUPATION Attorney WORK PHONE 704-635-6006
PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT Butler Rikard LLP
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APPROXIMATE HOURS AVAILABLE PER MONTH FOR SERVING ON ADVISORY BOARD 10 +/-

NAME OF ANY TOWN OR COUNTY BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS YOU ARE PRESENTLY
SERVING ON:

N/A EXPIRATION DATE _____

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EDUCATION J.D., University of Pennsylvania Law School
B.A., Davidson College

BUSINESS AND CIVIC EXPERIENCE 23 years of legal practice in law firms & corporations.
Past-President of Carolina Rapids Soccer Club. Active in local church, Lake Norman Baptist Church.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE AND INTERESTS/SKILLS _____

Please see ButlerRikard.com website for background and experience.

In addition, I have attached my CV for your consideration.

I, the undersigned, understand this application and attached questionnaire will be kept on the active file for a two (2) year period only.

Daniel L. Rikard

(Signature of Applicant)

4 January 2016

(Date)



QUESTIONNAIRE

To assist the Board of Commissioners in making appointments to the Land Development Ordinances Advisory Board ("Advisory Board"), please respond briefly to the following questions. There is no right or wrong answer. Your responses will provide a framework for discussion with the Mayor and Commissioners.

Overview: The Advisory Board consists of eight (8) voting members appointed by the Board of Commissioners. The Regular membership shall consist of six (6) members who reside within the corporate limits, or extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction ("ETJ").

1. Please describe the areas of community service in which you have participated, in Huntersville or elsewhere.

Since moving to Huntersville in 2006, I have been active in the soccer community as a coach (club and high school), a licensed/certified referee, and a board member/president of Carolina Rapids Soccer Club (formerly, North Meck Soccer Club). I have also been active in my local church as a Sunday school teacher and in other lay leadership capacities. Prior to Huntersville, I served as a coach of various youth sports teams and in leadership of our neighborhood association.

2. Briefly describe your vision for Huntersville in the next 10 to 15 years. What factors during that time will shape the growth of our community?

My connection with this area dates to my time at Davidson College (1984-89). Growth is not the question. I have lived it. Managing growth is the issue. "How we grow" over the next 10-15 years will be influenced primarily by the strategic vision we cast and the relationships we foster, both from "within" the Town (that is, the input and due consideration of people & businesses) and from "outside" the Town (that is, our neighboring towns, the City of Charlotte, Mecklenburg County, and the State. Vision and Partnerships are essential factors that will shape our growth. In my view, Huntersville should continue to encourage growth that keeps pace with our infrastructure, retains an appropriate balance with our rural heritage, and places a high priority on green spaces.

3. With rapid development occurring in Huntersville and the surrounding area, the character and growth patterns of our community are changing rapidly. Please discuss briefly any problems that you perceive, anything that you would like to change, and/or anything you find particularly appropriate to Huntersville.

I have experienced a wide range of living conditions in my soon-to-be 50 years on this planet. I grew up on a farm in upstate New York boarding horses; spent high school in the predominantly retirement community of Southwest Florida; studied at Davidson College, including 1 year in Madrid, Spain; lived 3 years of graduate school in West Philadelphia; worked 12 years of my career in Atlanta; and, most recently, raised a family for almost 10 years in Huntersville and Cornelius. Is Huntersville perfect? No. Has this Town (and our neighboring towns) done a pretty good job overall shaping the character of our growth? I believe so. In my view, development is a discussion of priorities, not of winners and losers. Everyone will have something they love and dislike. Welcome to living in a community! For me, I love Birkdale. I love The Park. I'm thrilled with the work on greenways (but wish it would move faster). Do I love the roads? Not really. But I've seen worse.

OTHER COMMENTS:

An advisory board must have absolute clarity on "why we exist." "What is our purpose?" With that clear understanding of purpose, the board must create an environment for fulfilling its purpose that is as open and accessible as possible. We live in community and must consider the diverse nature and views of that community. The board should reflect and/or solicit the input and perspectives of the members of the community. Because processes and procedures are key areas for this board to consider, members should have experience dealing with such matters and the wisdom to challenge the status quo, if the status quo needs to be challenged. I have relevant experience as a member of the senior leadership team for a \$2B global manufacturing company, having responsibility for legal and compliance functions, and as an entrepreneur launching my own law firm in 2015. I would consider it an honor to serve my Town Board.



The Town of Huntersville Board of Commissioners sincerely appreciates the interest of all citizens in the Town's advisory committees and urges the public to nominate qualified persons for membership. Nominations may be sent to:

TOWN OF HUNTERSVILLE
ATTN: Planning Department
P.O. BOX 664
HUNTERSVILLE, NC 28070

For more information on the responsibilities of various advisory bodies, applicants may contact the Planning Department at (704) 875-7000.

**Thank you for completing the application and questionnaire.
Please return them to the Huntersville Planning Department**

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Attorneys & Counselors at Law

Daniel L. Rikard, Esq.

Dan Rikard is a founding partner of Butler Rikard LLP.

Dan has been practicing law and counseling clients for more than two decades. His legal and business career spans public and private companies across a wide range of industries, business models, and geographies. His breadth of experience and scope of responsibilities provide him with unique insights critical to delivering business-oriented solutions.

Dan has significant in-house corporate experience in roles where he provided both strategic leadership and tactical execution of the legal matters impacting the business. Dan has been a trusted advisor in the boardroom and a key soldier on the front lines negotiating and transacting business.



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Experience

- From 2004 through 2014, chief legal officer, corporate secretary and compliance officer for Avintiv, Inc. (formerly Polymer Group, Inc.), a US\$2.0B+ global specialty materials company.
 - Advised company on broad array of legal matters, including customer and vendor contracts, joint ventures, labor/employment policies and disputes, executive compensation, real estate transactions, environmental matters, mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, securities and SEC filings, Sarbanes-Oxley issues, corporate governance and compliance matters, litigation, dispute resolution, and intellectual property.
 - Led legal team and advised management, Board, and private equity shareholder on successful acquisitions of Fiberweb, plc, a U.K. public company, and Companhia Providência, a Brazilian public company.
 - Navigated lengthy and complex process to sell Avintiv to an affiliate of The Blackstone Group in a going-private transaction.
 - Led complex two-stage acquisition of Spanish nonwovens companies.
 - Significant involvement in Argentine joint venture, minority partner relationship, and negotiated acquisition of the minority partner interest.
 - Active in multiple capital market and financing transactions, including bank debt, bond issuances, equity offerings, and operating leases.
- From 2001 through 2004, chief legal officer, corporate secretary and compliance officer for Cendian Corporation, a business process outsourcing company and strategic venture of Eastman Chemical Company.
 - Member of team that grew business from a start-up to over \$700M in annual contract revenue in less than 3 years.
 - Principal negotiator of complex outsourcing agreements ranging in value from \$100M to \$1.2B.
- Prior in-house experience with McKesson HBOC, Inc. (healthcare information technology unit of McKesson Corporation), Bway Corporation (container manufacturing company), and GTE Wireless (mobile phone unit of GTE Corporation).
- From 1992 to 1997, litigation associate with Alston & Bird, focused primarily on the defense of complex product liability litigation.

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Professional Membership and Activities

- Licensed in Georgia (1992), Florida (1996) and North Carolina (2007)
- Association of Corporate Counsel member, 2000 to 2014
- Presentations:
 - Corporate Counsel Panel, *NC Lawyers Weekly* Business & Law Forum, August 2013
 - Sustainability, Blackstone General Counsel Conference, November 2012
 - Legal Project Management, ACC Annual Meeting, October 2011
 - Corporate Investigations and Parallel Proceedings, Network of Trial Law Firms, May 2008
 - Terrorism's Burdens on Globalization, SMU Dedman School of Law, February 2002

Education

- University of Pennsylvania Law School – J.D., May 1992
 - *University of Pennsylvania Law Review*, Executive Editor, Vol. 140
- Davidson College – B.A. in Economics, May 1989
 - Omicron Delta Epsilon Economics Honor Society
- Universidad Complutense de Madrid, 1986-87
 - Rotary Foundation scholar & visiting student in School of Economics

Community

- Past President & Chairman of the Board, North Meck Soccer Club (n/k/a Carolina Rapids), a 501(c)(3) non-profit, with an operating budget in excess of \$1.3M
- Head Coach, Varsity Girls Soccer, Southlake Christian Academy, Spring 2015
- Certified Soccer Referee (Grade 8 - inactive)
- Coached and/or managed various youth athletic teams (baseball, football, and soccer)
- Active in local church as HR Committee member and adult Sunday School teacher