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# **Advisory Board Application - Marion County Board of County Commissioners**

Applicants must be residents of Marion County. Applications are kept on file for one year. More information can be found at MarionFL.org/AdvisoryBoards.

#### **Date completed**

05/14/2025 12:00 AM

#### \* Name of advisory board

Marion County Hospital District Board of Trustees

# **Applicant information**

If your address or any other personal information is exempt under Florida Statute 119.70, please request, complete, and submit a Public Records Act form via the commission office at 352-438-2323 or CommissionAdmin@MarionFL.org.

\* Full name

Thomas FX. O'Mara

\* Physical address of primary residence

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\* Primary phone

(732) 277-8272

Work Phone

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#### \* Email

tfxilom@comcast.net

Preferred method of contact

Email

### **Advisory Board Application**

### **Additional applicant information**

With this application, voter status is required and homesteaded property is optional but may be required at a later date depending upon which advisory board will receive your application. Additional personal information may also be required for participation per Florida Statute and/or county ordinance.

\* Registered voter?

Yes

Do you own homesteaded property in Marion County?

Yes

\* Have you ever been convicted (including a withholding of adjudication), pled guilty, or pled to a nolo contendere (no contest) to a misdemeanor or a felony (including a criminal traffic violation)?

No

Answering "Yes" will not automatically disqualify you from serving on an advisory board. The nature, severity, and date of the offense will be considered in relation to the position. If unsure about the details of a criminal case, contact the relevant agency to ensure accuracy when reporting your history. Failure to do so may result in removal from the board. If you answered 'Yes,' please provide details. You may use an additional sheet if needed.

The following data is collected in accordance with Florida Statute 760.80, for the purpose of statistical reporting and ensuring compliance with diversity and inclusion guidelines. Your responses will be kept confidential and will not affect your application.

Gender Male

Physically disabled

No

Race

White

### **Employment**

If retired, please provide information for your most recent employer.

#### **Business** name

Eligius Advisory LLC

Business physical address 5320 NW 82ND CT OCALA FL 34482

### Occupation/Business type

Consulting - general business

### Previous occupation/business type

Numerous investment banks - capital markets professional

Are you employed with our organization?

### If yes, please provide your job title and associated department.

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Do you have relatives employed by our organization?

#### If yes, please provide their job title(s) and department(s).

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Do you work for an entity or agency that received funding form or has a contract with our organization to perform services? No

Are you, your spouse, or your children an officer, director, or partner with an entity that received funding from or has a contract with our organization? No

If yes, you will be required to complete and submit a disclosure of business transaction, relationship, interest (Form 4A). You may request this form from the commission office via 352-438-2323 or CommissionAdmin@MarionFL.org.

Why do you want to serve on this advisory board? Please include relevant work experience, community involvement, interests, and other activities.

#### Paragraph Text

I worked for 30+ years in the financial services industry deploying and managing risk at a number of the largest global investment banks and am thereby accomplished in the investment world. The skills I learned and utilized would be greatly additive to the Hospital District Board's assessments of financial matters.

Do you serve on any other boards or commissions in Florida?

Are you an elected or appointed state, county, or city office holder?

### If yes, which board(s) or commission(s)?

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You may not serve on more than one substantive board: Board of Adjustment; Code Enforcement Board; License Review Board; Land Development Regulation Commission; Historical Commission; Hospital District Board of Trustees; Housing Finance Authority; Industrial Development Authority; Tourist Development Council; Parks & Recreation Advisory Council.

Have you ever served on a city or county advisory board? Yes

### If yes, when, where, and which board(s) or commission(s)?

Marion County Public Schools Facility Procurement Procedure Committee, June - October 2024. One of several selected committee members working on procurement procedures for Marion County Public Schools. Procedures were adopted.

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Applicant references
Please provide three personal and/or business references relevant to this application, excluding county commissioners and county administration personnel.
1. Full name Charlie Stone
1. Address ****
1. Phone
2. Full name Dr. Robert Gallinaro
2. Address *****
2. Phone
3. Full name Adm (retired) Jon Kreitz
3. Address ****
3. Phone

## **Experience/Qualifications**

#### Present/Previous employment relating to this advisory board:

President & Chairman of the Board - United States Equestrian Federation (USEF) 30+ years in the financial services industry specializing in the capital markets and asset management, globally. I have been a senior member of firm management at a number of investment banks - Lehman Brothers, Credit Suisse and Cowen & Co

#### Present/Previous volunteer experience relating to this advisory board:

Present - Board member of the following organizations: Community Foundation of Ocala/Marion County; Ocala Horse Alliance; American Horse Council; United States Equestrian Team Foundation: United States Equestrian Federation; Pan American Equestrian Confederation. Previous - Board Member of the following organizations: Family & Childrens Services of Monmouth Cty (NJ) - Advisory Board; Monmouth Cty (NJ) Historical Assoc - Treasurer; National Collegiate Equestrian Assoc - Lead Advisor.

#### Special qualifications

I am a Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) which is the highest professional designation held by investment professionals and could thoroughly analyze the District's investment portfolio as well as assess District investments into the community. I have previously been licensed by FINRA series 3,7,9,10,24,55 and 63. I was also previously a licensed Insurance Producer (Property and Casualty) in NJ, NY, CT, PA, FL, TX and KY.

### How much time do you have monthly to prepare for and attend board meetings?

I have the ability to commit the required amount of time to effectively serve. I do commute to Lexington KY every other month and do travel for business but all on my schedule, which I manage.

### List all county and city boards (Marion County or elsewhere) on which you have previously served (include dates of service).

Marion County Public Schools - Procurement Procedures Committee (June-Oct 2024) formed for a specific task which was completed. Rumson (NJ) Historical Commission - appointed

# **Submission requirements**

I authorize representative(s) of Marion County to contact my references, and I understand that all statements made on this application may be verified by Marion County, including background checks.

In addition, I understand that any misstatements or material omissions on my application may result in my removal from my appointed position.

I have reviewed the responsibilities associated with volunteering on this advisory board and am prepared to allot adequate time to fully participate and serve on this board.

I agree to attend at least one advisory board seminar within six months from the date of my appointment to an advisory board.

By typing my name into this online application, I accept it as my digital signature.

- \* Submission acknowledgement and understanding requirement I have read the above submission requirements and understand them.
- \* This form was completed by: Thomas FX. O'Mara