

General Information

Board/Commission and seat you are seeking:
Real Estate Appraisers Board, Appraiser

Additional Boards/Commissions of interest:
None

State Boards/Commissions on which you have served:
None

First Name

Wendy

Middle Name

Last Name

Lawrence

Conflict of Interest

Full disclosure of personal financial data under AS 39.50.010 is required for certain boards and commissions. Are you willing to provide this information if required for the board or commission which you are applying?

Yes

Service in a public office is a public trust. The Ethics Act (AS 39.52.110) prohibits substantial and material conflicts of interest. Is it possible that you or any member of your family will benefit financially by decisions to be made by the board or commission for which you are applying? If you answer 'yes' to this question you MUST explain the potential financial benefit.

No

Please explain the potential financial benefit

Employment History

Employment work history including paid, unpaid, or voluntary.

EXPERIENCE HISTORY:

2015 – Present – Assessing Director – City and Borough of Sitka

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2011 – 2015 – Assistant State Assessor – State of Alaska, Department of Commerce, Community & Economic Development, Division of Community and Regional Affairs

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1992 – 1994 Deputy City Clerk, City of Kodiak, Kodiak Alaska

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Education, Training, Experience & Qualifications

List both formal and informal education and training experiences:

1988 – Bachelor of Science – Economics/Mathematics, Texas A&M University, College Station Texas

1996 – Appraiser Training Program – Castle Inspection Service, LLC, Salt Lake City, Utah

Completed Appraisal Courses:

AI-Real Estate Finance, Statistics & Valuation Modeling 2017

AI-FHA Appraising Principles & Procedures-2017

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Appraisal Courses Instructed:

AAAO Course 1A – Assessment Process – 2011 – MatSu Borough

AAAO Course 1A – Assessment Process – 2012 – North Slope Borough

AAAO Course 3A - Predictive Modeling Concepts with Microsoft Excel – Dec 2012

List any professional licenses, certifications, or registrations and dates obtained that may be used as qualifying criteria:

State of Alaska Certified Residential Real Estate Appraiser #740

Alaska Association of Assessing Officers– Alaska Certified Assessor Appraiser #241

List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received.

Assessing Director - City and Borough of Sitka (Present)

Assistant State Assessor - State of Alaska (Former)

Assistant Petroleum Property Assessor - State of Alaska (Former)

Conviction Record

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor within the past five years or a felony within the past ten years?

No

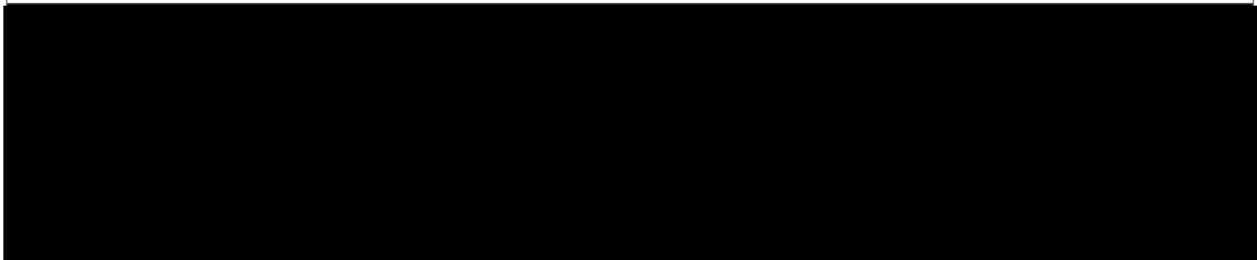
Conviction Circumstances

Certification of Accuracy & Completeness

By submitting this online application, I swear the information I have entered on this form is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I deliberately conceal or enter false information on the form my application may be rejected, I may be removed from the list of eligible candidates, or I may be removed from the position. I agree that the Office of the Governor may contact present or former employees or other persons who know me to obtain an additional information about my skills and abilities. I understand that the information on this application is public information and may be released through a legal request for such information.

Type "I certify"
"I certify"

Resume Addendum:



OBJECTIVE:

Valuation professional, skilled in all aspects of fee and mass-appraisal, tax assessment policies and procedures, and extensive knowledge of the state and local statutes and regulations that guide the annual valuation process. Applicant brings comprehensive knowledge of the principles and practices of real and personal property appraisal and over nineteen years of directly relevant assessment and appraisal experience.

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Professional Memberships:

Instructor: IAAO Certified Instructor – 2011 to 2015
Board Member: IAAO Editorial Review Board Member – 2012 to Present
Board Member: IAAO Communications Committee – 2012 to 2016
Member: International Assessing Officers Association – 2004 to Present
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COMPUTER/TECHNICAL SKILLS:

- Advanced experience in CAMA (Computer Assisted Mass-Appraisal) Modeling and calibration for both commercial and residential real property;
- Advanced experience in MS Excel having designed many custom spreadsheets for efficient information management
- Experienced using geographical information systems (GIS) and in aerial photo interpretation;
- Adept at examining, measuring, photographing, and assessing real residential and commercial property
- Ten plus years of experience in the technical inspection of real estate, with complete knowledge of the construction cycle
- Utilized SAS for statistical analysis
- Experienced in Windows 3.1/95/98/ME/NT/2000/XP/VISTA/7.0; MS Word, MS Excel, MS Publisher, Front Page; WordPerfect; MS Outlook – Schedule Management
- Utilized FORTRAN programming skills for actuarial valuations

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March 17, 2020

Senate Labor and Commerce Committee Board Members:

I have served on the State of Alaska Real Estate Appraiser Board for several years now in the specific seat as a Certified Residential Real Estate Appraiser. I am seeking reappointment to continue the work that I have begun in bringing a wide expertise in all areas of appraising, to include: mass appraisal, automated valuation modeling and specifically fee appraisal to this board. I have worked in various positions throughout the appraising industry starting as an insurance appraiser, moving into mass-appraisal of both residential and commercial properties, valuation of oil and gas real estate assets for the State of Alaska as the Assistant State Petroleum Property Assessor, and finally valuing property statewide for the School Funding Formula as the Assistant State Assessor. I am quite versed in Alaska Statutes and Regulations, and the practical applicability of those laws on the valuation industry. I have privately practiced as a fee appraiser as well, rounding out my experience for this board.

I respectfully submit my application for your consideration to reappointment to this board for another term.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wendy Lawrence". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of "Wendy" and "Lawrence" being capitalized and prominent.

Wendy Lawrence
Principal Appraiser
Alaska Realty Services, LLC