

Application for Appointment to a Citizen Commission, Board, Committee, or Task Force



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Last Name *

Hoff

First Name *

Chris

Middle Initial

Date *

1/10/2021

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force *

Human Relations Task Force

Length of Residency in Huntington Beach *

50+ years

Occupation *

Therapist

United States Citizen? *

☒ Yes ☐ No

Currently Serving on a City Board or Commission? *

☐ Yes ☒ No

Home Address: *

Street Address

Address Line 2

City

Huntington Beach

State

CA

Postal / Zip Code

Phone Numbers

Personal

Phone Numbers

Business

Type * (?) Number *

cell

home

Type (?)

Number

Personal Email *

Educational Background *

Loma Linda University

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), Marriage and Family Therapy April 2016

Concentration: Systems Consultation (OD)

Committee Chair: Brian J. Distelberg, Ph.D.

Dissertation: Developmental Pedagogy in Marriage & Family Therapy Education

Pepperdine University, Graduate School of Education & Psychology, Irvine, CA

Masters of Arts in Clinical Psychology with an emphasis in Marriage & Family Therapy December 2010

Argosy University

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology May 2004

Professional Licenses and/or Associations *

LMFT #53081

Professional Experience *

2014 - Present CALIFORNIA FAMILY INSTITUTE

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & CLINICAL DIRECTOR

The California Family Institute (CFI) is a training clinic established to provide low-cost counseling services for members of the community, and for the development of cutting-edge research and training for mental health professionals. As Executive Director, my tasks include managing marketing, fundraising, program development, HR management and accounting. Other tasks include meeting with the board regularly to keep them informed on operational issues, and work with them to come up with strategic solutions to complex challenges. I am also responsible for cultivating long-term strategic partnerships, or donor relationships, to increase the organization's effectiveness serving unmet needs. As Clinical Director, my role includes supervising a staff of 16 clinicians, and developing training programs for mental health professionals.

2014 - Present HOFF CONSULTING GROUP

PRINCIPAL

Hoff Consulting Group is a management consulting firm and leading advisor on leadership development, conflict resolution, change management, and training within organizations and teams. We partner with clients from the private, public, and not-for-profit sectors in all regions to identify transformational opportunities, address their most critical challenges, and transform their enterprises and relationships. Recent projects include; team facilitation, conflict coaching, strategic planning, mastermind group facilitation, and executive coaching.

2010 - Present CHRIS HOFF COUNSELING

MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPIST/CONSULTANT

I provide comprehensive individual, couple, and family counseling for adolescents and adults. I work in response to a wide range of concerns including, anxiety, depression, life transitions, spiritual issues, relational health, and conflict resolution.

1996 – 2010 TWO ROADS PROFESSIONAL RESOURCES, INC.

CO-FOUNDER/VICE PRESIDENT BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT

Co-founded Two Roads Profes

Special Knowledge or Skills *

I currently serves as Founder and Executive Director of the California Family Institute (CFI) in Costa Mesa. CFI is a nonprofit organization that was established as a community counseling center that provides desperately needed no-cost and low-cost counseling services for the community, and for the development of research and training for mental health professionals interested in social constructionism and postmodern therapy approaches.

My formal education includes and MA in Clinical Psychology from Pepperdine University, and a PhD from Loma Linda University in Marriage and Family Therapy, where my concentration was in organizational development and systems consulting. I also has over 20 years of experience in human resources, and I am a licensed marriage and family therapist #53081.

My research interests include leading edge approaches to teaching and learning, social justice in family therapy, actor network theory (ANT), post-oppositional practice and pedagogy, and dialogic practice and social constructionism.

I have published several peer-reviewed articles including Developmental Pedagogy in Marriage and Family Therapy Education: Preparing Students to Work Across Epistemologies in the Journal of Family Theory & Review, Navigating Critical Theory and Postmodernism in Family Therapy in the journal Family Process, and Developmental Pedagogy in Marriage and Family Therapy Education: A Narrative Analysis of Students Experiences at the Journal of Systemic Therapies.

I also hosts the internationally popular podcast The Radical Therapist <http://www.theradicaltherapist.com/> where he explores intersections of collaborative therapy, philosophy, art, and science & technology.

Civic Interests and/or Service Memberships? *

BOARDS & ASSOCIATIONS:

Orange County Interfaith Network Board 2020 – Present
American Association of Marriage & Family Therapy (AAMFT) – Member 2009 - Present
State Board Member - Treasurer (2016 – 2018)
State Board Member (2010 – 2012)
Advocacy Committee (2009 – 2010)
American Family Therapy Academy (AFTA) – Member 2010 – 2020
Human Relations Task Force, City of Huntington Beach 2011 - 2012
Pepperdine University's Social Justice Collaborative - President 2010 - 2011
CSU Fullerton Grand Central Art Center's Art Forum Board – Board Member 2008 - 2011
Psi Chi International Honor Society in Psychology

How will your qualifications best serve the citizen advisory group that you are applying for, and why do you wish to serve on this group? *

As a former member of the Human Relations Task Force (2011-2012) I am intimately aware of the need for an active and engaged HRTF in our community. I would appreciate an opportunity to serve my community and my city during these challenging times.

It is the policy of the City Council to make appointments to the citizen commissions, boards, and committees, based on the needs of the city, as well as the interests and qualifications of each applicant. Selection will be made without discrimination based on the race, creed, gender, or sexual orientation of the applicant.

Additional information concerning a particular commission, board, committee, or task force or the application process is available through the staff support department identified above. General questions can be directed to Cathy Fikes, (714) 536-5553.