

Nominating Committee Seeks Applicants for Tampa Port Authority Commissioner Opening

The Tampa Port Authority Nominating Committee (the "Committee") announces that it seeks applicants for a Tampa Port Authority Commissioner opening. The position of the Tampa Port Authority Commissioner is a non-paying position. Tampa Port Authority Commissioners set policy for and oversee the Tampa Port Authority, the organization that is responsible for the Hillsborough Port District and which leases Authority owned facilities at the Port of Tampa, sets and collects port tariffs, markets the port, manages capital improvements and maintenance of port owned facilities, and annually approves a budget. Duties include preparation for and attendance at regular meetings, and interaction with the public, Tampa Port Authority personnel and others in order to advance the interests of the Port of Tampa and its businesses.

Applicants must reside in Hillsborough County, must be qualified electors of Hillsborough County (i.e. registered to vote in Hillsborough County), and have a maritime industry background, defined in section 3, chapter 2005-332, Florida Statutes, as a "person [that] by training or experience is or has been engaged in, for a significant portion of his or her career, a business involving maritime commerce, port management, terminal management, ship agency business, ship building, ship management, ship operations, ship repair, admiralty law, international trade law, importing or exporting waterborne cargo, or other maritime-related business that is similar to the aforementioned specialties." In addition, the committee will consider the qualifications of the applicants as well as applicant's personal integrity, standing in the community, moral conduct, ethics, impartiality, and administrative ability, independence and temperament.

Applications for the Tampa Port Authority Commissioner position, which must be received no later than December 8, 2017, at 5:00 p.m., may be obtained at the following websites: www.propellerclubtampa.com (Resources Tab) and www.ptmia.org (Resources Tab). Applications may also be obtained by contacting Nancy Simms at 813.225.7227. Applications must be submitted to Lynda DeKeyser at Quarles & Brady LLP, 101 E. Kennedy Blvd., Suite 3400, Tampa, FL 33602. For further information on the submissions of applications, Ms. DeKeyser can be reached at 813.387.0288.

The Committee will begin considering applicants after the deadline for submitting applications. The Committee may request additional information from applicants and may conduct personal interviews of certain applicants. Pursuant to statute, the Committee will select a nominee or nominees, and submit its selection to the Governor. A list of all applicants nominated by the Committee will be submitted to the Governor on or before January 5, 2018. The Governor shall select the new Tampa Port Authority Commissioner from the list of nominees provided by the Committee.

Anyone seeking additional information about the position, application process, or the selection process, may contact Mark C. Valenti at 813.325.9604 or Richard Tager at 813.215.6626