

613 W Lakeside St

Madison WI 53715

April 15, 2014

Mr. Chris Schmidt

Common Council President

City of Madison WI

Dear Mr. Schmidt:

I am writing to express my interest in serving the 13th Aldermanic District and offer experience in several areas.

First, I am a homeowner in this district and have been one for nearly 18 years. I volunteer in my neighborhood, serve as a poll worker as often as possible and work within it. I commute by bike, bus or on foot, with an active effort to minimize unnecessary driving. I shop nearby to support local businesses and receive my health care in this district. Consequently, I appreciate numerous perspectives as a resident.

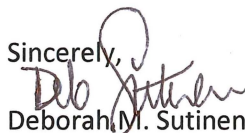
Secondly, I offer professional employment in the area of constituent service. I've worked on the federal and state levels of government. I'm well aware of the range of requests that elected officials must field and the high expectations which come with public service. On the local level, I've worked to organize grassroots efforts on behalf of candidates, issues and voting participation.

My interest in serving is based on the growth, opportunity and challenges which I regularly encounter in the district. Example: Just last week, as I was biking past the new UW Health clinic at the end of my block to go to grocery shop – I was glad for the improvement that had replaced an eye-sore building that had sat vacant too long. One minute later, however, I found myself unable to continue my journey to Copps due to construction fencing spilling out onto the sidewalk and into the street from another project. (I eventually made it by zig-zagging across Park Street, but it left me wondering what people in a wheelchair or pushing a baby stroller would do to navigate a simple errand.) I cite this as an example where an active member of the city council can proactively contribute to a necessary public dialogue.

I would hope to accomplish the goal of lending a balanced and inclusive viewpoint as this progress continues. In only a few weeks, Rhythm and Booms will be held nearby. This celebrated event will bring new questions to nearby residents. Despite having volunteered many times at this event in Warner Park, I cannot claim to provide all the answers. But I do anticipate that district representation will be essential. I greatly anticipate the festivities.

Regarding the Spring 2015 election, it is not my intention to run for office.

Please find my resume attached which describes my work and educational background. Thank you for the consideration.

Sincerely,

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EMPLOYMENT

Instructional Specialist, **Univ of WI Department of Medicine**, current

Facilitator, Healthcare MBA program for physician students, **George Washington University**, 2007

General Interview and Physical Exam Instructor, **School of Medicine and Public Health, UW-Madison**, current

Project Appointment, **School of Nursing, Office of the Dean, UW-Madison**:
Responsibility for variety of outreach, administrative and educational projects 2002-2008

UW Health, Epic patient charting software installation, Meriter Hospital, 2005-2006

Instructional Specialist, **Department of Medicine, UW-Madison**: Served as Education Coordinator to advance specialty medical research, treatment and curriculum issues, 2001-2003

Associate Outreach Specialist, **Waisman Center, UW-Madison**: Team participation to acquire federal and state grant awards and to meet complex monitoring and reporting requirements; outreach and education on behalf of people with disabilities, 1999-2002

Assistant to Director of Training and Development, **State Public Defender**: Coordinated professional training programs for Agency legal staff and members of the Private Bar dedicated to providing quality legal representation for the indigent, 1998-99

Political Director for **Wisconsin Democratic Party**: Managed multiple projects related to national, state, and local campaigns including fundraising, political strategy and special events, 1993-97

Director of Field Operations, **Clinton-Gore Campaign**; 2nd Congressional District, State of Wisconsin: Supervised grassroots coalitions of volunteers; implemented national political strategy on local level and served as primary director for six counties, 1992

Legislative Staff; Assembly Committee on Public Health and Regulation, **WI State Legislature**: Guided health care initiatives through legislative process, drafting to enactment, 1991-92

Special Assistant to **U.S. Senator Edward M. Kennedy**: Administered wide range of legislative and official activities on behalf of a senior member of Congress, 1989-90

Staff Assistant on **U.S. Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources**; Chair, Senator Edward M. Kennedy: Coordinated committee executive sessions, press conferences, full committee/subcommittee hearings; responsible for White House nominations requiring Senate confirmation; Prepared briefing books on health issues;

coordinated background research for legislative issues considered by Congress; primary advance work for Democratic National Convention, 1983-89

Researcher; **State of Michigan Legislature**;

Developed a workshop for elected officials; negotiated contract as graduate degree candidate, 1983

Intern, **Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Michigan**, Legislative Affairs: Established internship program in department, conducted research project on contribution patterns to select legislators, 1982

EDUCATION

University of Michigan-Ann Arbor; 1983

Master of Science degree (granted by Schools of Public Health and Education); appointed as graduate student representative to faculty advisory committee to Vice-President for Government Relations

University of London, England; 1983

Graduate degree coursework; conducted research on comparative health care systems (U.K.-U.S.) and impact of investor-owned hospitals in greater London; served as intern to president 800-bed National Health Service hospital

Central Michigan University; 1982

Bachelor of Science degree in Public Health Education; worked as assistant to Political Science instructors to finance education

APPOINTMENTS

Medical Mediation Panel, State of Wisconsin, appointed by Gov. Jim Doyle, 2005-current