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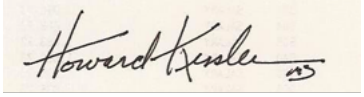
Office of the City Treasurer-Clerk
Box A-31 / Commission Vacancy
300 S. Adams Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

This letter is my application for the vacant seat, Seat 1, of the Tallahassee City Commission, Board of Commissioners.

Attached is my resume with summary page.

If I were appointed to fill this seat's vacancy, I would only serve the remainder of the current term and not run for election for an additional term.

Thank you,



Summary of Highlights of Curriculum Vitae

Howard Kessler, M.D.

Educational Degrees:

B.S. Chemistry
M.A. Education
M.D. Orthopedic Surgeon

Three years teaching experience in public high schools and junior high schools.

45 years as Orthopedic Surgeon, Board Certified

County Commission Certification – Florida Association of Counties

Advanced County Commissioner Certification- Florida Association of Counties

12 years serving as Wakulla County Commissioner, 2 terms as Board Chairman

Medical volunteer at Tallahassee Clinics for over 15 years.

Presently serving on the following boards:

Board of Trustees, FSU Coastal Marine Laboratory, Executive Committee
Member of Board FSU School of Fine Arts Dean's Advisory Committee
Wakulla Springs Alliance, Executive Committee
FSU Theater Patrons Board
Apalachee Audubon Society

My medical volunteer work over the last eighteen years in Tallahassee, working with Children's Medical Services and Neighborhood Health Services clinics, have given me first-hand knowledge of the health, financial and social challenges of the city.

Having worked with FSU over the years has resulted in an excellent level of communication that will be a positive asset should I be successfully appointed to seat 5.

CURRICULUM VITAE

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December 14, 2018

Date of Birth:	September 5, 1943
Place of Birth:	New York City, New York
2018	Candidate Seat 5, Tallahassee City Commission
2012- 2016	County Commissioner Wakulla County, Florida
2009 – present	Board of Trustees, FSU Coastal Marine Laboratory
2008	Advanced County Commissioner Certification Florida Association of Counties
2008- 2010	Select Growth Committee Florida Association of Counties
2008 - 2009	Representative on “Our Region Tomorrow”
2008 - 2010	Treasurer Big Bend Environmental Forum
2008 – 2010	Chairman of Board of Wilderness Coast Public Libraries
2008 - 2010	Board Member Capital Regional Transportation Planning Association
2008 - 2010	Chairman of Wakulla County Board of County Commissioners
2008 - Present	M.D. Volunteer at Children’s Medical Services, Tallahassee
2008 - Present	Member of Board FSU School of Fine Arts Dean’s Advisory Committee
2005	County Commission Certification – Florida Association of Counties
2005 – Present	M.D. Volunteer, Neighborhood Health Services, Tallahassee
2003 - Present	FSU School of Theater Patrons Board

2002 - 2010	County Commissioner Wakulla County, Florida
2001 - 2002	Volunteer Instructor FSU College of Medicine
2000 - 2003	Volunteer Wakulla County Health Department
1999	Retired from active Private Orthopedic Practice
1995- 1996	Chief of Orthopedics, Sarasota Memorial Hospital
1989	Chief of Surgery, Doctors Hospital of Sarasota
1987 - 1988	Chief of Orthopedics, Sarasota Memorial Hospital
1984 - 1999	Private Orthopedic Practice in Sarasota, Florida Staff member Sarasota Memorial Hospital Doctors Hospital of Sarasota
1977 - 1984	Established Orthopedic Practice in Somerset, Pennsylvania Myersdale, Pennsylvania
March 1,1977 To June 30, 1977	Chief Orthopedic Resident, Long Island Jewish Medical Hospital New Hyde Park, New York
1974 - 1977	Resident in Orthopedics, LIJMC, New Hyde Park, New York
1975	M. A. Education, Allegheny College, Meadville, Pennsylvania
1973 – 1974	Combined internship and General surgical Residency, LIJMC
1973	Medical Degree, Universidad Nacional Pedro-Henriquez Urena, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic
1968 - 1972	Attended Universidad Nacional Pedro-Enriquez Urena Medical School
1965 - 1968	Teacher in Public Schools: Junior and Senior High School
1965	B.S. Chemistry, Allegheny College, Meadville, Pennsylvania

PUBLICATIONS

"Preoperative Education and the Informed Patient"
The journal of Legal Medicine October 1977

“Subtalar Dislocation. How serious an Injury?”
Orthopedic Review: Vol.VI, No. 10, October 1977

“Simultaneous Bilateral Traumatic Hip Dislocation. A Case Report”
Orthopedic Review: Vol. VII, No. 2, February 1978

“Simultaneous Bilateral Traumatic Shoulder Dislocation from an Epileptic Seizure”
Orthopedic Review: Vol. VII, No. 9, September 1978