July 23, 2014

Jason Lauritsen

Re: Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC)

Dear Mr. Lauritsen:

The term of your position representing the Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC) expires in August 2014.

If you wish to request reappointment, please check the boxes below, sign where indicated, and return this letter to the County Executive Office. When the letter has been returned, your name will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for consideration for reappointment to another four-year term, as you have been a valued member of the Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC).

If any of the information on your last application for appointment has changed or is 5 years or older please contact the Napa County Executive’s Office to obtain a new application, and submit the completed new application when returning this letter.

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- [ ] Yes, I would like my name, this letter and application forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for possible reappointment to the Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC) Board for the term commencing immediately and expiring August 2018.

- [ ] I confirm by signing below that all the information on my application is current; or

- [ ] Some of the information on my prior application is no longer correct. A new application is attached. Address changed.

Jason Lauritsen

SIGNATURE

COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE
1195 Third Street Suite 310 Napa, CA 94559 (707) 253-4421
WWW.COUNTYOFNAPA.ORG
FAX (707) 253-4176

DATE: 6/15/14
**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT (Complete pages 1 through 3)**

*Application for Appointment to: (Name of Board, Commission, Committee or Task Force)*

Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC)

*Category of membership for which you are applying:*
(This information can be found on the news release announcing the opening. You may apply for more than one category if more than one position is open.)

- One (1) Public at Large

*Supervisory District in which you reside:*

- 3rd District

*Full Name*

Jason Lauritsen

*Current Occupation (within the last twelve (12) months):*

Director of Vineyard Operations

Current License (Professional or Occupational): Date of issue and/or expiration including status:

Department of Pesticide Regulations: Qualified Applicators License #108196

Education/Experience: (A resume may be attached containing this and any other information that would be helpful to the Board in evaluating your application.)

- Graduated from Justin-Siena High School in 1999
- Graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Business and a minor in Viticulture
- 6 years as Vineyard Manager for Regusci Vineyard Management and Regusci Winery
- See attached resume

Community participation (nature of activity and community location):

- Napa grape Growers Association
- Napa County Farm Bureau
- Napa Young Farmers and Ranchers
- Suisun Valley Fruit Growers Association
- 10 years of 4-H while growing up here in Napa

Other County Board/Commission/Committee on which you serve/have served:

* Denotes Mandatory Entry Required
Application for Appointment to: *(Name of Board, Commission, Committee or Task Force)*
Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC)

Names, addresses and phone numbers of three (3) individuals familiar with your background:

*Name*  
Jim Regusci

*Name*  
Kelly

*Address*  

*Address*  
Maher

*CITY*  
Napa  
St. Helena

*STATE*  
CA  
CA

*ZIP CODE*  
94558  
94574

*Telephone*  

*Telephone*  

*Name*  
Richard Duarte

*Address*  

*CITY*  
Napa

*STATE*  
CA

*ZIP CODE*  
94558

*Telephone*  

Name and occupation of spouse within the last 12 months, if married (for Conflict of Interest purposes):

I am currently not married.

*Please explain your reasons for wishing to serve and, in your opinion, how you feel you could contribute:*

By working throughout Napa County in various locations I am constantly reminded how water is such a valuable resource. I am a firm believer in water management and would be glad to help inform the public as well as private entities the importance of water conservation. I feel that vineyard management practices can be an example of water conservation at its best.

I have lived in the Napa Valley my entire life. I have seen it change; some good changes and some changes that I see detrimental to the Napa valley that I grew up in. I would like the opportunity to help keep Napa, Napa. I am now 29 years old and do not ever plan to leave this beautiful place.

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for this position.
**Application for Appointment to: (Name of Board, Commission, Committee or Task Force)**

Watershed Information Center and Conservancy of Napa County (WICC)

**APPLICANTS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE AN OATH OF OFFICE.**

**PLEASE NOTE THAT APPOINTEES MAY BE REQUIRED BY STATE LAW AND COUNTY CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE TO FILE FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS.**

All applications will be kept on file for one year from the date of application

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

The following information is provided in confidence to the extent that it will not be posted on the Internet, but may be used by the Board of Supervisors when making the appointment, or be used by the committee/commission/board/task force following appointment for purposes of communicating with the appointee.

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*Please Read!*
EDUCATION
Bachelor of Science Degree, California Polytechnic Institute-SLO, 1999-2004
• Majored in Agricultural Business with a Minor in Viticulture.

EXPERIENCE
Vineyard Manager, Regusci Vineyard Management, 2005-present
• Responsible for the management of 500 acres of vineyards in viticultural areas of St. Helena, Napa, Yountville, Stags Leap, Spring Mountain, as well as Alameda and Solano Counties. Overseeing all viticulture decisions and practices including the development and implementation of operational and financial budgets as well as short and long-term planting plans. Work closely with consultant on canopy management parameters as well as vine physiology and nutrition.
• Manager Client/Winery/Grower Relations. Responsible for the interaction with all land owners as well as clients purchasing fruit, including harvest logistics and picking decisions.

Assistant Viticulturist, Atlas Peak Vineyards 2004-2005
• Work encompassed acquiring information regarding soil nutrition, leaf and petiole data, measuring leaf water potential and designing/implementing a deficit irrigation program. Duties also included collecting pruning weight information and other pertinent data as well as participating in vineyard cultural activities to gain practical experience.

ASSOCIATIONS
• Qualified Applicators License (QAL), State of California
• Private Applicator License, State of California
• Napa Valley Viticulture Technical Group
• Napa County Farm Bureau
• Napa Young Farmers and Ranchers
• Instructor for annual “Farm Worker Safety Data

SKILLS
• Bilingual, Spanish/English
• Computer Skills (Excel, Word, PowerPoint, etc.)

REFERENCES
Available upon request