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

Applicants appointed by the Board of Supervisors will be required to take an oath of office. All applications will be kept on file for one year from the date of application.

Public Records Act
Applications are public records that are subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act. Information provided by the applicant is not regarded as confidential except for the addresses and phone numbers of references and the applicant's personal information including home and work addresses, phone numbers and email address.

Form 700 Conflict of Interest Code  California Fair Political Practices Website

Application for Appointment to: Napa County Veterans' Commission

Category of Membership for Which You Are Applying Local Veteran

Personal Information
The following information is provided in confidence, 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.

Full Name Javeit T. Bikul

Supervisiorial District in Which You Reside District 5

Home Address

City Napa

State CA
Graduate Student & Small Business Owner

Master of Social Work, 12/13/17

I am a Marine Combat Veteran and have recently graduated from USC with a Master of Social Work degree. I also hold a B.S. in Business Psychology and an A.S. in Administration of Justice. My previous career experience also includes sales, business development, project management, ministry as a Pastor, operating a small business, launching and supporting not-for-profit organizations, and mental health counseling as a Readjustment Counselor for Veterans.

Field not completed.

- Beautiful Day neighborhood restoration and service projects: South Bay Area - Liaised for veteran clientele between the Vet Center and HUD-VASH, VSO, and provided referrals to mental health, medical, and supportive resources through ought San Benito, Santa Cruz, and Monterey Counties - Contributing member of the Santa Cruz County Vet Court launch team - Utilized as the Mental Health Liaison as a consultant for alternative sentencing and court ordered counseling services as well as training program for Peer Support Specialists. - Cofounder of Journey for Change – a Veteran inspired and operated organization to prevent Veteran suicide

Other County Board/Commission/Committee on Which You Serve/Have Served

South Bay Youth Network, Silicon Valley Fellowship, Josh McDowell Technology Advisory Committee, San Jose City College Veteran Student Organization, Palo Alto
Provide names, addresses and phone numbers of 3 individuals who are familiar with your background.

Reference 1
Name: Kevan Long

Reference 2
Name: Dean Kaufman

Reference 3
Name: Chris Meza
Name and occupation of spouse within the last 12 months, if married.

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

Alice L. Bikul - Spanish Teacher at Harvest Middle School

There is little doubt that many of the resources that our local Veterans need are not readily accessible to them. I have had personal experiences as a combat Veteran and as a service provider both through the Federal VA and through Cal Vet that gives me insight into some of the gaps that exist within our valley. The Napa County leadership and residents have been faithful in responding to these needs in the past and I would be honored to serve on a commission that created awareness and championed policy change and partnerships to see future improvements within our community to assist our Veterans, their families, and anyone who has a desire to assist in improving their quality of life. I believe my contributions as a Veteran, Social Worker, and Mental Health Therapist will be valued amongst this commission.
OBJECTIVE

Participating within a synergistic environment that allows me to contribute my diverse skill set created through military/combat, education, ministry, and business experience. Motivated and eager to address needs and issues pertaining to the compassionate care and assistance of local veterans through policy change and community awareness.

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Over four years of counseling experience providing assessment, treatment planning, and ongoing therapeutic services to individuals and families with a variety of presenting problems
- Maintaining proper documentation of session content and making appropriate referrals to supplementary programs and professionals
- More than five years of direct counseling of military personnel to include: performance evaluations, stress/anxiety reduction and management, training and career development, substance abuse deterrent, wellness programs, and annual educational requirements
- Working understanding of resources and benefits available for veterans pertaining to education, employment, substance abuse, legal assistance and homelessness
- Familiar with various evidence based practices, PTSD symptoms and triggers, post deployment health reassessment, marital and family issues, and integrating theory and practice
- Extensive background in facilitating group discussions, interactive presentations, and strategic planning, combined with a broad insight of relating to others in a professional setting
- Enhanced the public image and recognition of the Home Church within the local community through service projects, community outreach, and persistent networking
- Trained in crisis prevention to identify problematic behavior, assess individuals for criteria of being a credible threat to selves or others, write detailed chronological reports, interview victims and witnesses of critical incidents, and facilitating substance abuse assessments and interventions

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Readjustment Counseling Specialist (GS9-2)

Readjustment counseling through interviews, assessments, interventions, and education for Veterans and their families
- Provided clinical therapeutic services, case management, and crisis intervention to war zone veterans with combat-related trauma and victims of military sexual trauma
- Facilitated classes and group therapy with Vietnam and OIF/OEF/OND era combat veterans
- Liaised for veteran clientele between the Vet Center and HUD-VASH, Santa Cruz County Vet Court, VSO, and provided referrals to mental health, medical, and supportive resources
- Campus counseling at Cabrillo, Monterey Peninsula, and Hartnell Community Colleges
- Informed and guided veterans with educational, vocational, and other benefits and services available to them based on eligibility
- Engage in outreach events to build community awareness of Readjustment Counseling Services and ease access to mental health care
Certified Merchant Advisor

Business to business promotion of bankcard services and products including merchant accounts, credit cards, gift cards, e-commerce, and point of sale terminals
- Communicate company goals and services with potential customers
- Cultivate new business with existing customers by leveraging vertical products and services
- Generate and manage a book of business along with a steady referral network

Project Manager

Generated and managed commercial roofing projects and clientele
- Generated business through competing in the formal public bidding process
- Completed all documentation and contractual agreements required by industry guidelines
- Managed logistics and construction schedules through project management and delegation

XZOOSIA, INC., San Jose, CA, Jun. 2007 – Sep. 2007
Independent Contractor, Business Development

Formed strategic alliances with content developers and shaped the identity of a collaborative website
- Developed a mission statement, competitive analysis, and standard industry practices summary
- Created mutual benefit term sheets and negotiated with potential content partners
- Networked and brainstormed with organizations to help them achieve greater visibility through modern online technologies

Associate Pastor, Young Adults

Pastor for youth and young adults, including mentoring, activities, church involvement and expansion
- Launched and oversaw a new ministry focused on our youth and young adults’ spiritual growth
- Facilitated group therapy focused on improving the quality of life and ability to deal with stressors and traumatic experiences shared by the young adult participants
- Coordinated community efforts to address teen and young adult depression, substance abuse, violent influences, criminal behavior, and suicide prevention

Corporal / Squad Leader

Responsible for the success of missions as well as the lives and wellbeing of twelve Marines and a Corpsman while conducting combat operations
- Oversaw the training and development for combat ready infantrymen and provided close supervision and counseling to those who were directly under my command
- 100% of squad combat missions successfully accomplished in Iraq with zero troop casualties
- The mission of an infantryman was to locate, close with, and destroy the enemy by fire and maneuver, or to repel his assault by close combat
- Infantry and Reconnaissance Training: Marine Corps Water Instructor of Survival, Martial Arts Instructor, Terrorism Awareness, Rioting/Crowd Control, SERE, and Data Communications
OTHER EXPERIENCE

• VIRTUAL IMAGING CORPORATION, Campbell, CA  
• REAL ESTATE PROMOTIONAL SERVICES, Campbell, CA  
• REALESTATEPRINTING.COM, Hayward, CA  
• SEEITBUYIT.COM  
  Director of Sales and Marketing (Jul. 2001 - Oct. 2003)

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