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APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO  
BOARD, COMMISSION, COMMITTEE OR TASK FORCE

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NOTE: 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.

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

For information about Form 700 Conflict of Interest Code click on this link [Committee List of Form 700 Filers](#)

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

Napa County Fair Association

\*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.)

Board of Directors

\*Supervisory District in which you reside:

Third

\*Full Name:

Paul J. Dohring

\*Date:

11/22/2016

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

Self-Employed Attorney

\*Current License: (Professional or Occupational, date of issue and/or expiration including status)

California State Bar (1987)

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

See Attached Resume

\*Community Participation: (Nature of activity and community location)

See Attached Resume

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

See Attached Resume

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

\*Name:

Mayor Chris Canning

\*Address:

[REDACTED]

\*City:

Calistoga

\*State:

CA

\*Zip Code:

94515

\*Telephone:

[REDACTED]

\*Name:

Mayor Alan Galbraith

\*Address:

[REDACTED]

\*City:

St Helena

\*State:

CA

\*Zip Code:

94574

\*Telephone:

[REDACTED]

\*Name:

Expo CEO Joseph Anderson

\*Address:

[REDACTED]

\*City:

Napa

\*State:

CA

\*Zip Code:

94559

\*Telephone:

[REDACTED]

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

Kara Dohring; Spanish Teacher

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

I have a strong commitment to public service and continually seek opportunities to serve the community. I also believe that my skills, temperament and experience are strongly aligned with the duties and obligations of the position.

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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.

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:

Paul J. Dohring

\*email Address:

[REDACTED]

\*Home Address:

[REDACTED]

\*Work Address:

[REDACTED]

\*City:

St Helena

\*State:

CA

\*Zip Code:

94574

\*City:

Calistoga

\*State:

CA

\*Zip Code:

94515

\*Telephone:

[REDACTED]

\*Telephone:

[REDACTED]

## Attachment 1

### Education/Experience:

#### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, DAVIS

School of Law

*Juris Doctorate*

1986

#### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY

Political Science and Social Welfare

*Bachelor of Arts*

1983

#### LAW OFFICES OF PAUL J. DOHRING

Calistoga, CA

1997-present

*Owner/Attorney*

General civil practice involving business entity formations and sales, real estate transactions, land use and civil litigation. Our clients include wineries, vineyard managers, vineyard owners, tourism-related companies, spas, restaurants, hotels, commercial landlords and tenants, and other small business owners.

#### L. J. S. ENTERPRISES, LTD.

Santa Rosa, CA

1996-1997

*General Counsel*

Managed the diverse legal affairs of a corporate holding company with five subsidiary corporations involved in public relations, real estate, construction, document imaging, and financial services. Drafted agreements, employment policies, procedures and corporate records; reviewed and negotiated all contracts; oversaw litigation and outside counsel.

#### LONG NEUMILLER DOHRING & HERDELL

St. Helena, CA

1992-1996

*Trial Attorney*

Engaged in litigation practice involving business, construction, land use and real property. Developed expertise in all phases of trial and appellate practice, including depositions, discovery, law and motion, negotiation, arbitration, court and jury trials, brief writing and oral argument.

#### MICHAEL & CAMMACK

Stockton, CA

1987-1992

*Associate Attorney*

Drafted commercial leases, real estate and business purchase contracts and security agreements. Engaged in diverse civil litigation practice, including discovery, law and motion, witness preparation, arbitration and court trials.

## Previous Committee/Commission Experience:

St. Helena City Council	2014-current
Calistoga City Council (Vice-Mayor for 2 years)	1997-2001
Calistoga Planning Commission (Vice-Chair)	1995-1997
Napa County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)	1997-2001
Napa Valley Expo Board of Directors	2001-2007
Napa County Transportation Planning Agency (now NVTa)	1997-2001


**Planning Commission:** As a member/Vice Chair of the Calistoga Planning Commission I reviewed a variety of project applications requiring a thorough understanding of the relevant zoning ordinances, CEQA and the General Plan. I worked on all elements of the General Plan update and the creation of consistent zoning ordinances. I addressed many of the same issues now facing our communities, including preservation of our small town rural character, affordable housing, resource and growth management issues, design review, economic development, resort and hotel development, circulation and parking issues, and water and sewer infrastructure issues.

**City Councils:** In my four years as a council member in Calistoga and two years (of a current four year term) in St. Helena, I have been engaged in all of the diverse issues typically addressed by city councils: Budget Preparation, Prioritization and Monitoring; Labor Negotiations with city collective bargaining associations, Recruitment and Hiring of City Managers and City Attorneys, Staff Performance Reviews, Brown Act Compliance, General Plan Review and Updates, Police, Fire and Public Safety issues, Significant Litigation and Risk Management, Aging Water and Wastewater Sewer Facilities, Aging Streets, Economic Development, Utility Rate Increases, Advocacy at the County level, Developing important relationships with Countywide elected officials; Parks and Recreation, Interactions and Support of Business and the Chamber of Commerce, Creating and Supporting Various City Subcommittees, Interactions and Relationships with the Media.

**Napa Valley Expo:** As an Expo Director for seven years, I was called upon to exercise financial oversight, planning, collaboration and negotiation skills. The Expo Board of Directors had to address extremely complicated and vexing issues, including aging buildings, facilities and infrastructure, significant reduction in state funding and the need to essentially re-invent itself to become economically sustainable. The Board had to balance the need to generate long-term revenue with the community mandate to preserve and protect the traditions of

agricultural exhibitions, junior livestock operations, the Town & Country Fair, the popular RV Park, extensive non-profit use of the facilities and the Expo's longstanding links to farming and the local community. The Board also had to explore the potential for alternative governance and organizational structures like JPAs, long-term leases or other public-private partnerships.

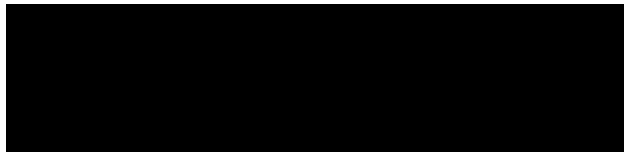
**Professional and/or community service activities:**

	Community Action of Napa Valley Board	2004-2008
	Calistoga Chamber of Commerce	1993-present
	Calistoga Chamber Board of Directors	2012-2014
	Calistoga Rotary Club	1993-present
	Calistoga Family Center Board of Directors	1999-2001
	St. Helena Catholic Church Dads & Kids Service Group	2010-2016

**Local government related experience:**

See above under "Previous Committee/Commission Experience."

**Personal:**



Basic Spanish Fluency Skills