

Board Candidate Application

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COI Form: [Potential Sources of Bias / Conflict of Interest Form](#)

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Candidate Questions

1. Please describe in light of the responsibilities of the RESNET Board why you are the right person to be a member of the RESNET Board of Directors

Having served on the RESNET Board of Directors over the past many years, I have been actively involved in each of the primary responsibilities of a Director. Fiduciary responsibilities are ongoing when overseeing budgets, staff, and the policy making process. In 2010, I Chaired the Strategic Positioning Task Force for the Board. In 2012, I worked very closely with RESNET Staff on the most significant overhaul of the organization's governance since RESNET's formation when we drafted, then the Board approved, and finally the RESNET Membership voted to approve a total rewrite of the RESNET Bylaws.

2. Why is this the right time for you to serve on the RESNET Board?

RESNET has made great changes in the past several years that require not only a continued openness to further growth and change, but also an awareness of how today's changes evolved from where RESNET came from. My tenure on the Board for the past thirteen years allows me to maintain this awareness of the past while at the same time leveraging that knowledge for sound policy making for RESNET into the future.

3. Please explain your knowledge and/or experience in terms of each of the primary responsibilities of the RESNET Board

Having served on the RESNET Board in leadership positions and on numerous working groups, taskforces, and committees, my experience with the workings of the RESNET organization is extensive. Specific to the primary responsibilities of the RESNET Board, I chaired the RESNET Strategic Positioning Taskforce in 2010, have participated as a Board member in the creation and oversight of thirteen annual budgets for RESNET, and helped RESNET Staff to create, then pass by a vote of the RESNET membership, the 2012 update to the RESNET Bylaws.

4. Describe your experience in either leadership and/or serving on the board of a non-profit organization.

My leadership positions for RESNET have included Secretary and Vice President of the Board as well as Chairman of the Sampling Standard Drafting Committee, Quality Assurance Committee, and Strategic Positioning Taskforce, and co-chair of the RESNET Quality Improvement Working Group. Outside of RESNET, I previously Chaired the Arizona State Energy Code Advisory Commission and I currently serve on the Board of Directors for the Energy and Environmental Building Alliance (EEBA) and as Chairman of the Planning Commission for the Town of Paradise Valley, Arizona.

5. What would you contribute to the RESNET Board?

As a member of the RESNET Board, I have worked on quality assurance, strategic planning, board governance, and building the RESNET-EEBA relationship. I look forward to continuing this work, but also to ensuring that RESNET's investment in a larger staff provides positive results for RESNET and those who rely on RESNET outside of the Rating industry. Where there is a need for corrections in staffing and the work that staff does, I look forward to working with the Board, Executive Committee and Executive Director to make adjustments which maximize efficiency and the sound use of RESNET funds.



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**Potential Sources of Bias / Conflict of Interest
Statement of Affiliations and Interests for Candidates for the RESNET Board of
Directors**

August 22, 2017

This form must be submitted with all applications to be a candidate for the RESNET Board of Directors. It is intended to ensure that relevant information is submitted to the RESNET Board Nominations Committee and the RESNET membership.

The responsibility for determining the information to be reported rests with the individual completing this form. Failure to fully disclose relationships is grounds for removal from consideration for or removal from the RESNET Board of Directors.

Send a signed digital copy of the completed form to Kathy Spigarelli, RESNET Seputy Director at kspig@resnet.us.

A statement of affiliations and interests does not prevent a person from being nominated as a candidate for the RESNET Board, but is for the purpose of notifying the RESNET Board Nominations Committee and RESNET members of any bias or potential bias.

Potential Sources of Bias / Conflict of Interest Statement of Affiliations and Interests Form

RESNET Board of Directors	
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RESNET Membership Category: QA Provider	Today's Date: 09-10-17
All sections of this form must be completed. The use of "None", N/A, or no response to answer these inquiries is not acceptable. Incomplete forms will be rejected and the terms for application for nomination to the RESNET Board of Directors e will not have been met.	
<p>1. ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATIONS. Enter information as requested below.</p> <p>A. Report any business relationships (such as an employee, owner, officer, director, consultant, etc.) in the fields of home energy ratings, building performance and/or other areas that RESNET provides services within the last two years.</p> <p>D.R. Wastchak, LLC is an accredited QA Rating Provider and Learning Edge, LLC is an accredited Training Provider. I am owner of both companies. Additionally, through my consulting company, Inkwell International, LLC, I have provided consulting work for RESNET for the development of new quality assurance Standards, the development of training and education for new Quality Agents, and the development of a new virtual/remote quality assurance protocol.</p> <p>B. Report any memberships or volunteer non-business relationships that your company/organization has with such groups such as BPI, ACCA, NAHB, ASHRAE, USGBC, RESNET, etc. within the last two years.</p> <p>I am a USGBC LEED for Homes Green Rater, serve on the EEBA Board of Directors, and have served the past two years on the RESNET Board of Directors.</p> <p>C. List all your organization's employees that serve on the board of directors, advisory groups or working committees with such groups such as BPI, ACCA, BPI, NAHB, ASHRAE, USGBC, RESNET, etc. within the last two years.</p> <p>I am the only employee of D.R. Wastchak, LLC and Learning Edge, LLC that has any affiliations with any of the organization listed above. Those affiliations have been stated in my response to question B.</p> <p>D. Disclose any direct sources of funding for your time and/or expenses to participate on the RESNET Board of Directors. If you currently pay for your own expenses, please enter 'self-funded'.</p> <p>My time and expenses for participation in RESNET Board activities are self-funded.</p> <p>E. Disclose sources of funding, the amount of funding received and services provided that your organization has received from such federal agencies as Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Department of Energy, etc. and such groups such as BPI, ACCA, NAHB, ASHRAE, USGBC, RESNET, etc. within the last two years.</p>	

As indicated in my response to Question A, through my consulting company, Inkwell International, LLC, I have provided consulting work to RESNET valued at roughly \$7,500 for the development of new quality assurance Standards, the development of training and education for new Quality Agents, and the development of a new virtual/remote quality assurance protocol.

2. **PUBLIC STATEMENTS AND POSITIONS.** List articles, testimony, speeches, etc., by date, title and publication (if any) in which they appeared that you provided about RESNET and home energy ratings. Attach additional sheets if necessary. Please mark the box below only if applicable.

All of my public statements about RESNET have been provided during the course of participation as a speaker, or as a member of the Board or a Committee, at either the RESNET Annual Conferences or the EEBA Annual Conference.

I have no relevant public statements or positions (double-click box to mark).



SIGNATURE

September 10, 2017

DATE

The completed and signed form must be sent to RESNET Executive Director as indicated in the instructions accompanying this form.

Residential Energy Services Network, RESNET

Kathy Spigarelli, Deputy Director
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Attachment

Guidelines and Definitions

Defining "Bias" and "Conflict of Interest"

Bias: The question of potential sources of "bias" ordinarily relates to views stated or positions taken that are largely intellectually motivated or that arise from the close identification or association of an individual with a particular point of view or the positions or perspectives of a particular group. Such potential sources of bias are not disqualifying for purposes of RESNET Board service. It is necessary, in order to ensure that the board is fully competent, to elect members in such a way as to represent a balance of potentially biasing backgrounds or professional or organizational perspectives.

Conflict of Interest: It is essential that the work of the RESNET Board of Directors not be compromised by any significant conflict of interest, or in some circumstances the significant appearance of conflict of interest, on the part of any member of the board. For this purpose, the term "conflict of interest" means any financial or other interest which conflicts with the service of an individual because it (1) could impair the individual's objectivity or (2) could create an unfair competitive advantage for any person or organization. The existence of a significant conflict of interest ordinarily disqualifies an individual from service.

How can conflicts of interest arise?

Conflicts of interest can occur when:

When a board member has a strong personal, financial, or professional interest in seeing that a project/policy produce a particular outcome; and

An agency, a sponsor, or a private organization or company attempts either to influence individual board member or to skew the body of information reviewed by the board.

What is done to avoid conflicts of interest?

Submittal and evaluation of the statement of affiliations and interests that lists professional connections and indicates any positions taken in relevant public statements at the time of nomination and disclosures during board meetings are fundamental to ensuring conflicts of interest and appearances of conflicts of interest are avoided.

Note: This form and the definitions, included here are derived from forms and considerations as presented by ASHRAE.