Application Form

Profile				
Rusty		Vetter		
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name	•	
Email Address				
Salt Lake City Corporatioin Employer	Special Pro	pjects Consultant	_	
Home Address			Suite or Apt	
City			State	Postal Code
Primary Phone				
Which Boards would you like t	to apply for?)		
Board of Health: Submitted				
Referred by:				
Qualifications				

Submit Date: Oct 27, 2023

Please tell us about yourself.

I am attorney and have worked in many fields. Seventeen years ago, I started working for the Salt Lake City Attorney's office where I was the Deputy City Attorney. Most of my work was for the Department of Public Utilities where I was actively involved environmental matters. The City must follow legal requirements of the Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act. The City holds permits from both the State of Utah and the federal government. I regularly advised the City on legal compliance. I was also actively involved in matters involving the watershed and interacted with the County Health Department concerning County Regulation #14 and its overlap with the City's Watershed Ordinance. I was the City's lead attorney for the Red Butte oil spill and lead the effort to settle claims with Chevron. I also represented the City in matters concerning the North Temple landfill in the northwest quadrant of the City. I'm passionate about the importance of clean water, which is often taken for granted by many people.

Why are you interested in serving on a board or commission?

I understand how important the Health Department is to our community. I believe that my background could provide an informed voice of water matters along supporting the role of government agencies in assuring that our environment is healthy to let people thrive in Salt Lake valley. I greatly respect the employees of the Health Department and would be happy to support their efforts to be an important part of the success of our community.

What education, work experience, or volunteer experience do you have that applies to the board you are applying for?

I believe that my work as an attorney for Salt Lake City and working for the Department of Public Utilities has given an excellent background to contribute to the Board of Health.

What unique perspectives could you bring to the board?

As described above, my perspective concerning the importance of clean water and also my familiarity with the operation of the largest water provider in the County, would provide helpful knowledge to the Board concerning a very important component of the environmental heath of our community.

Upload a Resume

Demographics

Some boards and commissions require membership to be racially, politically or geographically proportionate to the general public. The following information helps track our recruitment and diversity efforts.

Are you a Salt Lake County employee?

O Yes O No

Are you a current member of another Salt Lake County board or commission?

O Yes O No

Race/Ethnicity *

District *

District 4

Gender Pronouns *

Languages *

- Italian
- ✓ French

Political Affiliation

E. Russell Vetter

Professional Experience

Salt Lake City Corporation

Deputy City Attorney; Senior City Attorney

- Counsel to Public Utilities focusing on contracts, environmental matters and water law.
- Counsel for Transportation Department.
- Key leader building an outstanding legal team for 16 years.

South Salt Lake City

Administrative Law Judge

• Part-time ALJ for civil enforcement matters and administrative appeals.

Merrick Bank Corporation

General Counsel, Senior Vice President and Corporate Secretary

• Senior legal advisor on legal requirements for industrial bank.

JPMorgan Chase (First USA Paymentech)

Vice President of Business Strategy

• Member of senior management team responsible for development of product business strategy, Visa/MasterCard relations, contracting and legal compliance.

General Counsel, Senior Vice President and Corporate Secretary (Paymentech)

- Negotiated contracts involving company technologies and financial services products.
- Officer responsible for legal compliance for industrial bank.
- Senior human resources officer representative.

American Stores Company/Albertsons (Fortune 100 Company)

Senior Corporate Counsel

- Supervised most of company's ongoing litigation matters (primarily significant personal injury cases, contract, antitrust and environmental disputes).
- Provided daily advice on advertising campaigns (primarily in California).
- Reviewed and negotiated contracts (primarily contracts involving advertising, information technology, private label products and financial services products).
- Legal advisor to company's fine dining restaurant.

Parsons Behle & Latimer

Shareholder

- Litigation counsel for clients involved in creditor/debtor relationships.
- Leader of creditor/debtor practice group.
- Member of firm's recruiting committee.

United States Bankruptcy Court

Law Clerk to Honorable Judith A. Boulden

 Assisted Federal Bankruptcy Judge in analysis of legal issues and drafting court decisions.

Biele, Haslam & Hatch

Associate

• Attorney in small firm representing primarily banking clients.

Educational Background

University of Utah, S.J. Quinney College of Law

Juris Doctor

- Staff Member Journal of Energy and Contemporary Law
- Research assistant Professor Richard Aaron Farm bankruptcies
- Participant London Law Consortium

University of Utah, College of Behavioral Science

Honors Bachelor of Art, Department of Economics – Cum Laude

• Honors Thesis: "The Effect of Declining Prices on the Real Debt Burden During the Great Depression"

Universite' de Caen, French American Study Center, Lisieux, France

Certificat Pratique de Langue Française (1er degre')

Professional and Community Activities

English Skills Learning Center

Teaching English to refugees.

East Lacrosse Club

Former president of club.

S.J. Quinney College of Law

Mentor/volunteer as mock interviewer

Utah State Bar

Bar Commissioner, two elected three-year terms

Bar Commission Executive Committee Member, one-year term

Chair and Member of Admissions, Character and Fitness and Bar Examiners' Committees, multiple-year terms

Salt Lake City School District

Chair, Uintah Elementary School Community Council, two years

United Way of Salt Lake

Chair, Community Solutions Committee, three year

2002 Salt Lake Olympic Organizing Committee

Recruiting volunteer

Utah Circuit Court

Judge Pro-Tempore, Murray, Utah, Small Claims Court