

SAVE OUR INDIAN RIVER LAGOON CITIZEN OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

The Brevard County Board of County Commissioners is soliciting applications for four seats on the Save Our Indian River Lagoon Citizen Oversight Committee. Volunteers are sought to represent four fields of expertise: Education/Outreach, Real Estate, Tourism and Technology.

Basic Requirements and Duties of Oversight Committee Members

Applicants must commit to serving the public interest by providing stewardship of Lagoon Trust Funds, especially in relation to restoring health to the Indian River Lagoon, and must demonstrate expertise and experience in one or more of the following fields: real estate or tourism. Knowledge of water quality issues and the major sources of pollution affecting the lagoon are highly desirable.

Members and their alternates oversee progress and make recommendations to the Brevard County Board of County Commissioners on spending an estimated \$486 million from sales tax revenue to **Reduce** pollution sources to the lagoon, **Remove** legacy pollution from the lagoon, **Restore** natural systems within the lagoon, and **Respond** to new information by recommending annual amendments to the Save our Indian River Lagoon Project Plan (SOIRLPP).

Duties include participation in meetings to evaluate progress towards plan implementation and lagoon health, review technology and alternative project proposals for reducing pollutants and improving water quality, assess the cost-effectiveness of projects and recommend plan revisions accordingly. The Committee addresses questions, concerns, and ideas from the public to improve the SOIRLPP. Applicants must be willing to ensure that the SOIRLPP reflects the most effective, timely and responsible means to restore the Indian River Lagoon and that the Save Our Indian River Lagoon Trust Fund is managed in the best interest of the public.

Applications with resumes and letters of recommendation or endorsement should be submitted no later than **December 27, 2018**. The Space Coast League of Cities will review applications for Real Estate and Tourism expertise on **January 14, 2019**. The Brevard County Board of County Commissioners will review applications for Technology and Education/Outreach expertise and finalize all four appointments at their regular meeting on **January 22, 2019**.

As part of the application process the Board of County Commissioners requires each applicant to answer in writing each of the following questions:

Name Dennis Basile

Mailing Address 2330 N. Wickham Road, Suite 8

City, State, Zip Code Melbourne, Florida 32935

Phone 321-751-4500

Email dennis@dbasile.com

Please complete the following questions and statements.

1. Do you reside in Brevard County Yes ☒ No ☐ Number of Years 50
2. Are you willing to serve on the Committee for a minimum of two (2) years and be available to attend monthly weekday meetings? Yes ☒ No ☐

3. Please check next to one or more of the following that best matches your expertise:

☒ Science ☐ Economics/Finance ☐ Education/Outreach ☐ Lagoon Advocacy
☒ Technology ☒ Real Estate ☐ Tourism

**FOR THE QUESTIONS BELOW, RESPONSES MAY BE UP TO ½ PAGE EACH
AND ON A SEPARATE SHEET IF NEEDED**

4. Please list one or more reasons why you are personally interested in applying to serve as a member of the Save Our Indian River Lagoon Oversight Committee

As a young man going to high school in Satellite Beach, I used to scuba dive in the relatively clear water under both the Eau Gallie and Melbourne Causeway bridges for fun. We also used to water ski and swim in the same areas. As an adult, I became a regular boater on the lagoon. I am a lifelong scuba diver and truly love the creatures in our waters (ocean and lagoon). I have first hand history of the significant changes in the lagoon in my life time and it is a very sad situation. I don't think it is too late to save the lagoon but we must stop the situations that are hurting it on a daily basis.

5. Please provide a brief overview of your background and experience (education, professional experience, and community volunteer experience) as it relates to your understanding of the SOIRLPP and the restoration needs of the Indian River Lagoon.

I have been a Realtor for 45 year and will be the 2019 President of the Space Coast Association of Realtors (4200 members strong).

My formal education is only through two years of college on the community college level, however, my professional level courses as an appraiser and broker have been very broad and robust including financial analysis, dealing with people, government boards, negotiations, all facets of real estate analysis and transactions (resume attached).

I am also fairly technically inclined and understand a fair amount of the biological processes that our waterway is going through. With the basic biological cycle, as stimulated through the tremendous load of organics constantly being introduced into the system, it is truly amazing that the waterway is not in worse condition.

Although I do not have any volunteer experience directly tied to the needs of the Lagoon, I do have significant volunteer experience in the business environment and know how to get thing done and keep on track during the process.

6. Please describe what character, judgement, analytical, communication, and group consensus building strengths you would contribute to the purposes and duties of the Save Our Indian River Lagoon Citizen Oversight Committee.

I answered part of this in item 5 above. I consider myself a good communicator and negotiator and as such know how to build group consensus. I have very good analytical and technical skills from being a real estate appraiser for about 30 years and know how to read and write technical papers.

I describe my self as being a salesman with a technician hiding inside. This allows me to be both personable and a consensus builder but also more importantly I usually know how to get to, and never lose sight of, the goal that is on the table at the time (the technician).

I also believe that you will not find anyone that will say anything negative about my character or judgement over the last 45 years of being in business in Brevard County.

The bottom line is that I want to help and I think I have the skills to contribute to the Oversight Committee.

7. Please describe the importance of committee members putting public interests first and avoiding real or perceived conflicts of interest in making recommendations for expenditure of the Save Our Indian River Lagoon Trust Funds.

Having served on many Boards I know that potential conflicts of interest that are not disclosed are almost always worse than the actual potential conflict. My position is that if you disclose all potential conflicts to the committee/board/body/commission that I serve on, there is no one that will ever question any decision. I have often recused myself from votes that most people would not consider a conflict, however, I never want to "taint" a vote due to a perceived conflict.

Real conflicts of interest are obviously of the utmost importance to disclose or abstain from a discussion or a vote because of that conflict.

Additional Requirements

In addition to completing the application posted at <http://www.brevardfl.gov/SaveOurLagoon>, a resume and at least one letter of recommendation are required. The letter of recommendation can be a personal recommendation from a professional in the same field and/or an endorsement by a reputable nonprofit organization.

Send your application, resumé, and letter(s) of reference to:

Natural Resources Management Department, Carol Gerundo, Administrative Assistant to the Director

Carol.Gerundo@brevardfl.gov

Phone: 321-633-2016



**REAL ESTATE QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE
OF**

DENNIS BASILE, CCIM

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Presently, Dennis Basile, CCIM, is engaged in Real Estate Brokerage in Brevard County, Florida. He specialized in the sale, leasing and management of residential, commercial and industrial land and improvements, condominium projects, shopping centers, office buildings, subdivisions, and other large or unusual real estate assignments. He has six years of experience in one to four family dwelling units and thirty nine years of experience in commercial, industrial, multi-family, land and special purpose properties.

Real Estate Employment:

January 1, 2009 to Present

Owner/Broker D. Basile Real Estate, LLC

November 1997 to December 2008

Commercial Salesman, Pruitt Commercial Group, Melbourne

October 1996 to Present

Owner, Dennis Basile, Appraisal

March 1996 to October 1996

Vice President of the Economic Development

Commission of East Central Florida; EDC Staff

November 1989 to March 1996

President, Basile, Schieber & Associates (Appraisal Company)

September 1988 to November 1989

Appraiser with Robert W. Houha, MAI

May 1984 to September 1988

Coy A. Clark Company, Development Specialist

January 1975 to May 1984

Appraiser with Robert W. Houha, MAI

August 1973 to December 1974

Appraisal Assistant to Robert W. Houha, MAI

Successfully completed:

American Institute of Real Estate Appraisal courses and accomplishments

Course VIII Residential Valuation, 1974

Course 1A Basic Valuation, 1976

Course 1B Capitalization, 1978

Course 2-1 Case Studies and Valuation Analysis, 1984

Course 2-2 Report Writing and Valuation Analysis, 1984

Course 6 Investment Analysis, 1984

Examination 1A-1, 1A-2 Basic Valuation, 1987

Demonstration Appraisal Report, 1988

Comprehensive Examination, 1988

Awarded MAI Designation, October, 1989 (No.8262)

Standards of Professional Practice, Part A, Orlando, 1992

Standards of Professional Practice, Part B, Orlando, 1992

Panelist for Appraisal Review Roundtable Discussion, Tampa, 1992

Rates Ratio's and Reasonableness seminar, 1993

Americans with Disabilities Seminar, 1993

Panelist for Appraisal Review Roundtable Discussion, Jacksonville, 1993

Panelist for Appraisal Review Roundtable Discussion, Ft. Lauderdale, 1993

Subdivision Analysis Seminar, 1993

Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice Update Course 1998

Commercial Investment Real Estate Council of the Realtors National Marketing Institute Courses

Course 100 Marketing Techniques for Leasing and Selling Property, 1989
Course 101 Fundamentals of Real Estate Investment and Taxation, 1989
Course 102 Fundamentals of Location and Marketing Analysis, 1989
Course 103 Adv. Real Estate Taxation and Marketing Tools for Investment Real Estate, 1989
Course 104 The Impact of Human Behavior on Com. Investment Decision Marketing, 1989
Course 105 Case Studies in Commercial-Investment Real Estate Brokerage, 1989
Course Concept Review, 1991
1992 National Commercial Real Estate Conference, Orlando, 1992
Awarded C.C.I.M. Designation May, 1991 (No. 4012)

Other Courses:

Real Estate Principles and Practice Course #1, Brevard Community College, 1974
Real Estate Law, Brevard Community College, 1974
Real Estate Appraising, Brevard Community College, 1974
Real Estate Principles and Practice Course #2, Brevard Community College, 1976
Managing Professional Risk Seminar, Merritt Island, FL, 1992

Professional Affiliations:

Former Member of the Appraisal Institute, 1989 (MAI #8262)
Certified Commercial Investment Member, Commercial Investment Real Estate Inst., 1991 (CCIM #4012)
Licensed Broker-State of Florida; 1976 to present
Former Florida State Certified Residential Appraiser #RD0002376
Former State Certified General Appraiser #RZ0000999
Member of the Space Coast Association of Realtors 1973-2018
Director of the Space Coast Association of Realtors 2014-2018
President of the Space Coast Association of Realtors 1996
President Elect of the Space Coast Association of Realtors for 2018 (4200 members)
Member of the Florida Association of Realtors 1973-2018
Director of the Florida Association of Realtors 1995, 1996, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
Member of the Strategic Planning committee of the Florida Association of Realtors 1996, 1997
Member of the National Association of Realtors 1973-2018
Past Chairman of the State of Florida Real Estate Appraiser Board 1993, 2000
Past Vice Chairman of the State of Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board
Past Chairman of the Probable Cause Panel of the State of Florida Real Estate Appraiser Board
Past Member of the Exam Validation Committee of the State of Florida Real Estate Appraiser Board
Member of the State of Florida Real Estate Appraiser Board 1991 - 2003
Director/Member of the Cocoa Beach Area Chamber of Commerce 1995
Chairman of the Small Business and Industry Council 1995
Director of the Economic Development Commission of East Central Florida 1995

Additional Professional Information:

In June 1991 Dennis Basile was appointed by Governor Chiles to the newly created Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board within the Department of Business and Professional Regulation. This seven member board has the responsibility of certifying and regulating state licensed and certified appraiser within the State of Florida. Dennis Basile is a past chairman of the Probable Cause Panel, and was chairman of this Board in 1993 and in 2000. He has been a member of the Exam Validation Committee since 1991.

In June 1994 and November 1997 Dennis was re-appointed by Governor Chiles to the Florida Real Estate Appraisal Board.

In September 1992, Dennis testified before a Congressional sub-committee in Washington, D.C. concerning the regulation of Appraisers.

Realtor Emeritus Status

In June 2015, Dennis Basile was awarded the Realtor Emeritus status by the National Association of Realtors. The Realtor Emeritus status is conferred upon members of the association that have been a continuous member of the National Association of Realtors for 40 years. Dennis was 62 years old at the time of the award

VALUE ADJUSTMENT BOARD EXPERIENCE

Dennis was selected to serve as a Special Master for the Brevard County Value Adjustment Board for two years in the early 1990's and 1997 through 2002. He has also represented many real estate clients before the Special Masters in the years he did not apply to be a Special Master.

RECEIVERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Dennis has been appointed on numerous occasions as a Court Appointed Receiver for both Real Estate Assets and Corporations. These Receiverships include the following:

Granada Center (San Juan Village Office Building), Hibiscus Boulevard, 1989; Appointed to collect rents and manage the assets of this project while a foreclosure of the mortgage was processing through the courts.

Heritage Real Estate Management, Inc. in October 1994. This real estate brokerage company's escrow accounts were found to be short approximately \$650,000. Mr. Basile was appointed to continue the operation of the company and to protect the public from any further damage.

Florida Home Finders, Inc in December 1995; Dennis Basile was selected by Circuit Judge Kenney (St. Lucie County) to be the Court Appointed Receiver for Florida Home Finders, Inc. This real estate brokerage company's 9,165 escrow accounts were found to be short by approximately \$2,550,000. In April 1997, Dennis negotiated and successfully completed a sale of this company with 78% recovery of all stolen funds and a disbursement to all claimants.

Coynes Marina (FKA Miners Marina); 2002; Dennis Basile was appointed to oversee the operations of the Coynes Marina while the property was being foreclosed by the lender. This property consisted of a large Dry Stack marina building with numerous stored boats and a in water marina and marine store. Dennis successfully managed the facility until such time as the foreclosure was completed.

Eagle Cove, LLC, in 2008; The company's sole asset was a 58 acre parcel of residential land located in Cocoa, Florida. Dennis processed this asset under the direction of the Court.

Service Management Systems, Inc.; February 2010; Dennis was appointed the Receiver of this company after a foreclosure action was taken by Compass Bank. The sole asset of the company is the Aquarina Sewer and Water plant located in Melbourne Beach, Florida. This facility and the company provides water and sewer service to over 400 homes within the Aquarina Community. Dennis took on the operations of this very poor condition facility and has been making significant improvements to the property. In addition, he has been responsible for the billing and collections of the water and sewer bills for the facility. This Receivership is in the process of a successful sale of the property from the Lender as of March 23, 2011.

Merritt Island Gardens (MIGA) June, 2011: This five building apartment complex in Merritt Island, Florida was under renovation when the lender forced the company into a Receivership in June, 2011. Dennis took control of the property and accounted for all funds during the time the property was in Receivership.

RTS Development February 2013 to June 2014: This Receivership involved the management of 7 warehouse buildings and approximately 25 tenants that were part of the RTS Development, Inc. ownership. TD Bank was the lender and Requested a Receiver be appointed. Judge Holcomb appointed Dennis to this task.

SunBay Fitness February 2016 to June 2016. This Receivership involved the management of two fitness facilities with over 1200 members in each facility. The one facility was on the verge of closing down while the other facility was being run at a profit. This receivership was created due to civil lawsuit. Judge George Turner appointed Dennis to this Receivership

Palm Bay Club Condominiums June 2016 to the present. This Receivership involves the management of a 120 unit condominium association in Palm Bay Florida. The reason for the appointment by Judge Harris is that one of the unit owners created a second association and started collecting maintenance fees from some of the unit owners while another association was collecting the balance of the fees. Judge Harris appointed Dennis as Co-Receiver together with Attorney Bradley Bettin to operate a new combined association until such time as the parties worked out their differences.

To Whom It May Concern:

It's my absolute pleasure to recommend Dennis Basile for the Real Estate Alternate with the Indian River Lagoon Citizen Oversight Committee.

Dennis and I both serve at the Space Coast Association of Realtors together and I have gotten to know him over the past year or so.

I thoroughly enjoy serving on volunteer committees with Dennis as our president elect for the Board of Realtors for 2018, and came to know him as a truly valuable asset to any team. He is honest, dependable and hard-working. Beyond that, his passion for the environment has shown in all the support he has extended to me and our Association's Green Committee.

His knowledge of Sustainable Real Estate and expertise in Residential, Commercial, Appraisals, and Land Development, is a huge advantage to our entire association; as he advances on to becoming the Board President for 2019.

Dennis has always been an absolute joy to work with; he is a true team player, and always manages to foster positive discussions and bring out the best in other association members.

Without a doubt, I confidently recommend Dennis to join the Indian River Lagoon Citizen Oversight Committee. As a dedicated and knowledgeable Lagoon advocate and an all-around great person, I know that he will be a beneficial addition to the Committee.

Please feel free to contact me at 321-271-8388, or Bowdensells@gmail.com, should you like to discuss Dennis' qualifications and experience further; I'd be happy to expand on my recommendation.

Best wishes,
Danielle Bowden

Space Coast Association of Realtors Green Committee Chair
National Association of Realtors Sustainability Advisory group
National Association of Realtors Evergreen Award winner 2018
Indian River Lagoon Citizen Oversight Committee, Real Estate