

Application Form

Profile

If you have any questions or difficulty submitting this application, please reach out to Alex Guzhnay at aguzhnay@newhavenct.gov or call 203-946-7670.

Alayna _____ M. _____ Stone _____
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

alaynamstone@gmail.com _____
Email Address

121 Elm Street _____ Suite or Apt _____
Home Address

New Haven _____ CT _____ 06511 _____
City State Postal Code

What ward do you live in (optional - please select ward if you know)?



Mobile: (607) 727-0269 _____
Primary Phone Alternate Phone

Are any of the above number a cell phone number?

Yes No

If so, which? Also, is it okay to send a text message?

Yes

Are you currently employed by the City of New Haven or the New Haven Public School System?

Yes No

State of Connecticut Judicial Branch _____ Superior Court Judge _____
Employer Job Title

To see our list of Boards and Commissions please click here: <https://newhaven-ct.granicus.com/boards/w/976a34cad711af7c/boards>

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Youth Commission: Submitted

Is this an appointment or reappointment request? *

Appointment

Interests & Experiences

Please tell us about yourself and why you want to serve. Please attach any of the follow:

Resume, Curriculum Vitae (CV), Professional Bio, or a Statement of Interest.

[Alayna Stone Resume November 2025.pdf](#)

Upload a Resume

If not submitting a Resume or CV, please submit a ~150 word Statement of Interest as to why you are interested in serving on your selected boards/commissions. If you have uploaded a resume OR you are seeking reappointment, you can write n/a.

n/a

Question applies to Youth Commission, Peace Commission

Are you under 18 or over 18? If under 18, please provide your DOB. If over 18, you can write n/a

n/a

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

I feel that being on boards, and the Youth Commission in particular, is an important and impactful way to give back to a community that I have been a part of for more than 25 years. I have always had an interest in helping youth, whether it be through being on the board of Elm City Montessori School or working at Leadership, Education, and Athletics in Partnership (LEAP) before law school. I believe that municipal boards can be effective drivers of change and support, and can have a greater impact on a community that just working with individual organizations and groups. Boards can be the unifying factor that helps disparate groups work together, which expands and maintains the networks of services. As I entering a new phase in my career, I am looking for new ways to work with youth and families in New Haven to ensure that they are successful.

Why do you believe you would be a good fit for your selected board and commission(s)?

Although I did not grow up in New Haven, I lived here almost exclusively for the past 25 years. I am committed to ensuring that our children and families in New Haven are receiving all of the resources and support that we can give them. My children attend schools located in New Haven and my husband was a New Haven Public School teacher for a number of years, so I am well aware of both the challenges that New Haven families face as well as the opportunities that exist to help them. I believe that communicating with a wide variety of stakeholders and working collaboratively to develop programs that will help New Haven children and families is essential to ensuring that New Haven thrives.

Do you have any time commitments that would prevent you from participating in board/commission meetings? Meeting times can be found by visiting newhavenct.gov/boards, but most are usually once a month for 1-2 hours.

No

Demographics

Some boards and commissions require membership to be politically proportionate, per State Statute on minority party representation (CGS § 9-167a). What is your political affiliation on your voter registration?

Democrat

In order to stay compliant with our city's charter, are you registered to vote in New Haven?

Yes No

We strive to maintain diversity in all of our Boards and Commissions. These questions are optional and if you volunteer the information we will only use it to ensure that our boards and commissions are diverse.

Ethnicity

African American

Gender

Female

How did you hear about serving on our Boards & Commissions?

current board member Robin Wilson

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EXPERIENCE

State of Connecticut Judicial Branch, New Haven, CT

Superior Court Judge, March 2024-current

Presides over all housing matters including summary process proceedings, appeals from fair rent commission decisions, forcible entry and detainer, actions involving violations of health, safety or welfare codes, statutes and regulations, and civil actions stemming from landlord-tenant relationships

Connecticut Office of the Attorney General, Hartford, CT

Associate Attorney General/Chief of the Division of Civil Litigation, May 2022-March 2024

Assisted Attorney General in developing litigation policies and legal positions of the Office of the Attorney General. Supervised the litigation of several defensive litigation Sections through interactions with Section Chiefs and Assistant Attorneys General. Reviewed and assigned claims against the State of Connecticut. Led a team implementing a settlement agreement involving nearly 3,000 current and former state employees.

Assistant Attorney General, July 2014-May 2022

Represented the State of Connecticut and state agencies in federal and state courts as well as before administrative bodies. Successfully defended client agencies and individual state employees at the trial and appellate level. Advised client agencies on legal issues that arose prior to litigation. Conducted discovery, depositions, and evidentiary hearings.

Georgetown University, Juvenile Justice Clinic, Washington, DC

Student Attorney, September 2009-May 2010

Successfully represented clients in juvenile delinquency and child protection cases in DC Superior Court. Developed factual and legal theory of the case, prepared client and additional witnesses for testimony. Conducted investigations including interviewing witnesses and taking statements. Drafted and defended pre-trial motions. Provided post-disposition representation for youth offenders.

Office of the Public Defender, New Haven Juvenile Matters, New Haven, CT

Legal Intern, May-July 2009

Interviewed and prepared clients in advance of court proceedings. Negotiated plea agreements and counseled clients. Accompanied attorneys to court on juvenile delinquency and child protection matters.

Center for Juvenile Justice Reform at Georgetown University, Washington, DC

Research Assistant, June 2008-May 2010

Collaborated with the Director and other organizations to present symposia, conferences and seminars on various topics related to the issues facing youth involved in both the juvenile justice and child welfare systems. Performed research associated with the commission of a paper on cross-systems collaboration for the education of juveniles in the child welfare and juvenile justice systems. Researched and compiled juvenile detention statutes for all fifty states.

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Professor Kristin Henning, Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC
Research Assistant, January 2008-August 2009

Researched juvenile justice issues including the intersection of parental rights and third-party consent of a minor's property and affects, disproportionate minority contact and the restorative justice model, and prison rape standards in juvenile facilities.

Center for Children's Law and Policy (CCLP), Washington, DC
Legal Intern, May 2008-May 2009

Researched and wrote on topics related to juvenile justice and reform including graduated sanctions, cultural competency standards and state emancipation statutes. Reviewed and commented on juvenile justice-related state and federal legislation and regulation.

Center for Community Change, Washington, DC
Fellow, September 2006-May 2007

Researched and drafted reports on various policy-related issues that include immigration, health care, low-wage work, education and energy.

CLERKSHIPS

Connecticut Supreme Court, Hartford, CT

Term Clerk to Justice Carmen E. Espinosa, September 2013-July 2014

Connecticut Appellate Court, Hartford, CT

Term Clerk to Judge (now Retired Chief Justice) Richard A. Robinson, June 2012-August 2013

Connecticut Superior Court, Office of Legal Research, New Haven, CT

Law Clerk, September 2010-August 2012

EDUCATION

Georgetown University Law Center, Washington, DC

Juris Doctor, May 2010

- *Clinics:* Street Law and Juvenile Justice Clinic

Georgetown University McCourt School of Public Policy (formerly Georgetown Public Policy Institute), Washington, DC

Master in Public Policy, May 2010

- *Honors:* Pablo Eisenberg Public Interest Fellow
- *Thesis:* Justice for Juveniles? How Funding Affects the Delinquency Outcomes for Juvenile Justice Reforms

Yale University, New Haven, CT

Bachelor of Art in Psychology, May 2004

- *Senior Honors' Thesis:* From the End of the School Day Until the End of the Work Day: A Comparison of Child-Care Arrangements for Low-Income Children

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BAR ADMISSIONS

New York

Connecticut

United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit

United States District Court for District of Connecticut

United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Connecticut