

# Application Form

## Profile

***If you have any questions or have difficulty submitting this application, please reach out to Alex Guzhnay at [aguzhnay@newhavenct.gov](mailto:aguzhnay@newhavenct.gov) or 203-946-7670.***

<u>Matthew</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>Watson</u>
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name

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Email Address

<u>110 Bellevue Road</u>	<u></u>
Home Address	Suite or Apt

<u>New Haven</u>	<u>CT</u>	<u>06511</u>
City	State	Postal Code

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

Ward 28

<u>Home: (847) 826-2114</u>	<u></u>
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

<u>Federal Public Defender, District of Connecticut</u>	<u>Legal Intern</u>
Employer	Job Title

To see our list of Boards and Commissions please click here: <https://www.newhavenct.gov/government/boards-commissions/boards-commissions-listed>

### Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Board of Ethics: For Review

### Is this an appointment or reappointment request? \*

Appointment

## Interests & Experiences

Matthew S Watson

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.**

[Resume\\_2025.docx](#)

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 the selected Boards/Commissions.**

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

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Yes  No

**Why are you interested in serving on a Board or Commission?**

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I am committed to public service because I believe in the power of community and ethical leadership. My time in the Army instilled in me a deep sense of duty, honor, and commitment—values I continue to uphold in civilian life. I strive to make a tangible difference in New Haven by promoting transparency, accountability, and fairness in government. For me, public service is not just a career choice but a lifelong calling to create meaningful, positive change.

**Why do you believe you would be a good fit for your selected Board and Commissions?**

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As a dedicated father, husband, veteran, and law student deeply invested in public service and justice, I seek an appointment to the Board of Ethics to ensure integrity within our city's government. My experience in the U.S. Army as an intelligence analyst has instilled in me a strong commitment to ethical conduct. I have maintained a top-secret security clearance since 2015. As someone working in intelligence, I had to hold myself and others to high ethical standards. Serving on the Board would allow me to leverage my legal education, investigative skills, and dedication to transparency to uphold the highest standards for public officials and municipal employees. This role aligns perfectly with my passion for justice and commitment to serving New Haven's community.

**Do you have any time commitments that would prevent you from participating in the board/commission meetings?**

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Tues/Thurs night classes

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**Demographics**

**In order to stay compliant with State Statute, what is your political affiliation on your voter registration?**

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Democratic

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

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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**

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Other

**Gender**

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Male

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

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Alder Gary Hogan