

Application for Appointment to the Advisory Group for Minneapolis Redistricting 2011-2012 of the Minneapolis Charter Commission

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Name (please print): Adosh Unni	Ward (if known): 6
Signature:	Date:

Describe your education, training, employment history, volunteer work, and awards and honors as related to the job description for a member of the Advisory Group. Please do not duplicate your response to the question on the reverse side of this form concerning knowledge of communities, citizenship and diversity.

Education: I recently graduated from the University of Minnesota Law School and am licensed to practice law in Minnesota. As a law student, I took several constitutional law classes and was involved in many organizations. From my constitutional law and legislation classes I learned many of the underpinnings of redistricting as well as statutory interpretation. I was also a very active member in the law school community, having served in student government as well on the boards of numerous student organizations, for which I received the Mondale Hall Engagement Award. This exposed me to working effectively in diverse volunteer group settings.

Employment: After college, I taught English in Chile for a year. It was not only a challenge teaching English, but it was also difficult learning the culture and specific Spanish dialect in Chile. This helped me develop a thought process that always considers what it's like to be on the other side of a situation so as to help me communicate more effectively. After Chile, I worked as a reporter for a medical devices trade publication in Washington, D.C. There I developed my ability to work in a small team environment under daily deadlines. I also improved my ability to communicate through my interviews of a variety of individuals from patients to company executives. Currently, I am a law clerk with Judge Bush in Hennepin County District Court. By having to weigh both sides of an issue fairly, I am helping solidify my abilities to operate impartially, giving a lot of weight to the facts even when presented with extremely compelling arguments.

Volunteer Work:

I have been fairly dedicated to volunteer work since graduating college in 2004. In Chile, I volunteered at an alternative school for children in unprivileged neighborhoods. In Washington, D.C., I served as an intake volunteer at the Employment Justice Center helping Spanish-speaking workers who had suffered injustices in the workplace. I also created a scorecard for the Genocide Intervention Network on National Legislators' votes regarding Darfur. Currently I am legal counsel for the St. Paul Jaycees, where I deal with many liability and contractual matters for the organization in the Twin Cities. Finally, I am currently the Treasurer for the Minneapolis Civil Rights Commission where I am revamping our budgeting process in addition to my adjudicatory and outreach functions as a commissioner. Even in the short time I have been on the Commission, the experience has given me invaluable information on the importance, operation, and dynamics of commissions and boards in Minneapolis.

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