

Ms. Stephanie Axarlis
District Court Administrator
Room 312, Municipal Building
400 South Eight Street
Lebanon, PA 17042

January 14, 2022

Dear Ms. Axarlis

I learned recently that due to the tragic loss of County Commissioner Bill Ames, that the Board of Judges of Lebanon County are inviting interested parties to submit applications for consideration to fulfill the balance of Bill's term as a Lebanon County Commissioner. Per those instruction, I am writing to express my interest in this appointment and ask that you present this letter and my application for consideration.

I believe that the experience I have gained through my 37 years at WellSpan Good Samaritan Hospital, combined with 28 years as an elected official and countless other community appointments and volunteer involvements have provided me with a solid foundation to serve the County of Lebanon and its taxpayers well. I have attached a summary of those experiences to this letter.


Serving as a Lebanon County Commissioner would be a tremendous responsibility and an honor. If appointed, I pledge to conduct myself with integrity and to be accountable to the citizens and taxpayers that I would represent. The first line of Lebanon County's Mission Statement reads: "The Lebanon County Commissioners are dedicated to providing public service to the community to protect, restore and improve the quality of life in Lebanon County."

In many ways, my life experiences have provided many opportunities to support many of the same goals outlined in that statement and I look at this as a new opportunity to continue to make every effort to "protect, restore and improve" our community in a new role.

When I learned of Bill's passing, I was deeply saddened by the loss of a good friend, but also a dedicated teacher, a respected public servant and a man of great character. I believe his greatest legacy is that he helped many people during every aspect of his personal and professional life, but also during his tenure as an elected official. If chosen to join our current Lebanon County Board of Commissioners to complete this term, I pledge to honor Bill's legacy of service to others and our community. I value the experience of Commissioners Phillips and Litz and would dedicate myself to working together with them and all local agencies for the benefit of the taxpayers and citizens of Lebanon County. It would be my honor to serve with them and to serve the needs of the community that has provided me and my family with countless opportunities and blessings.

I thank you in advance for your consideration and would welcome the opportunity to discuss my experience and goals for Lebanon County. Please contact me if you like to schedule a time to do so.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Kuhn