



County of Santa Cruz

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AGENDA: 2/9/99

February 2, 1999

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
County of Santa Cruz
701 Ocean Street
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

RE: AT-LARGE APPOINTMENT TO CHILDREN
AND FAMILIES FIRST COMMISSION

Dear Members of the Board:

I recommend the appointment of the following person to the Children and Families First Commission, as an at-large representative, in accordance with County Code Chapter 2.45, Section 40, for a term of office to be determined by lot:

Diane K. Siri
1285 San Andreas Road
Watsonville, CA 95076
728-8485 (H)
479-5220 (B)

Sincerely,

WALTER J. SYMONS, Supervisor
Second District

WJS:ted

cc: Diane Siri
Children and Families First Commission

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APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT TO A COUNTY ADVISORY BODY

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INSTRUCTIONS

If you are interested in serving on a County Advisory Body please complete the following application and return it to the Board of Supervisors, 701 Ocean St., Room 500, Santa Cruz, California. If you are interested in being considered for more than one advisory body a separate application should be submitted for each appointment you are seeking.

Upon receipt, your application for appointment will be routed to each Board member and then filed for further consideration by Board members when there is a vacancy on the advisory body. If a Supervisor is interested in nominating you for appointment, the Supervisor will contact you and discuss the appointment, the appointment process, and requirements for the advisory body in question.

Please specify below the Commission/Committee or Board to which you are seeking appointment and provide the requested information.

Thank you for your interest in County Government.

COMMISSION, COMMITTEE or BOARD Children and Families First Commission

Name Diane K. Siris

Address (work) 809-H Bay Avenue (home) 1285 San Andreas Road
Capitola, CA 95010 Watsonville, CA 95071

Phone **(Home)** (831) 728-8485

(Business) (831) 479-5220

Supervisory District Walt Symons (2nd District)

Length of Residence in Area 30 years

Age **(Optional)** **Circle one:** **Under 21**
21-30
31-40
Over 40

PREVIOUS COMMISSION OR COMMITTEE SERVED (Please specify)

<u>Advisory Body</u>	<u>Term</u>
<u>Children's Network Executive Board (Founding Member)</u>	<u>1990-present</u>
<u>Cultural Council Executive Board</u>	<u>1990-present</u>
<u>Pajaro Valley Prevention and Student Assistance Board or Directors (Founding Member)</u>	<u>1991-present</u>
<u>Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)</u>	<u>Founding Member</u>

EDUCATION

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<u>Institution</u>	<u>Major</u>	<u>Degree</u>	<u>Year</u>
Columbia University	Education	Doctoral	1994-96
San Jose State University	Counseling & Guidance Masters		1970-76
Cal State Long Beach	English/Math	Secondary Credential	6 9
University of California Los Angeles	English/Speech/Math	Bachelors	1964-68

WORK/VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

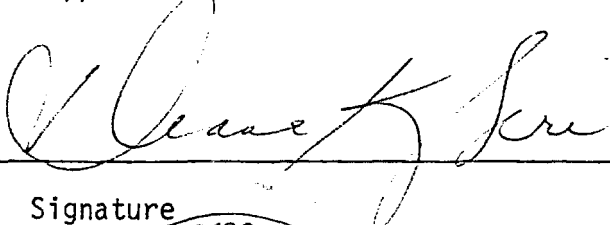
<u>Organization</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>P o s i t i o n</u>	<u>Year</u>
Santa Cruz County Off. of Ed.	809-H Bay Ave Capitola, CA	Superintendent of Schools	1990-present
Santa Clara University	Santa Clara, CA	Adjunct Professor	1990-present
San Jose State University	San Jose, CA	Lecturer, Bus	1988-present
Santa Cruz County Off. of Ed	Capitola, CA	Assistant Superintendent	1984-1990
Institute of Computer Technology	Sunnyvale, CA	Director	1987-1984
Pajaro Valley Unified School District	Watsonville	Vice Principal & Principal	1974-1983

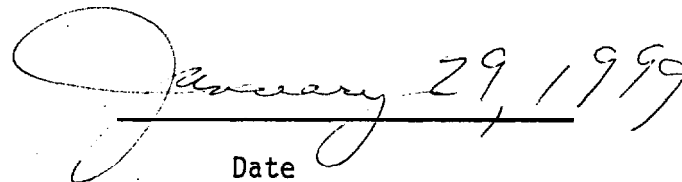
STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

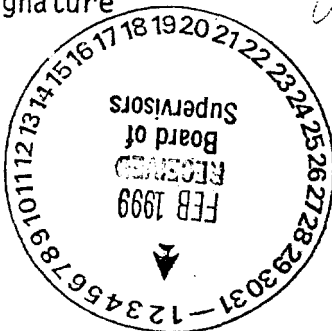
Please attach a brief statement indicating why you are interested in serving on the advisory body in question and why you are qualified for the appointment.

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the above information is true and correct and I authorize the verification of the information in the application in the event I am a finalist for the appointment.


Signature


Date





COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Diane K. Siri, Superintendent • 809 - H Bay Avenue • Capitola, CA 95010 • 831 / 476-7140 • FAX 831 / 476-5294

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Ms. Mary Bryant • Mr. Arnold Levine
Mrs. Kathy Mann • Mr. Robert Meyer
Mr. James Rapoza • Mr. Dana M. Sales
Mr. Richard Swanson

Children and Families First Commission

STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATIONS

DIANE K. SIRI

Having spent the last thirty years in education, I have an overwhelming interest in the health, safety and education of our children. I have had a wide range of experience when it comes to children. I have been a classroom teacher at both the elementary and secondary level. I spent four years as a counselor and vice principal at E. A. Hall Middle School in Watsonville. For the next five years, I served as the principal for Watsonville and Renaissance High Schools. Through the County Office of Education, I have served the children of Santa Cruz County in the position of Assistant Superintendent for Student and Educational Services and for the past nine years, as County Superintendent of Schools.

It is with pride that I acknowledge that I was a founding member of the Children's Network, an organization that coordinates the services available to the children of Santa Cruz County and for CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates). Through these organizations, the services that are available for children have been used to their fullest without money being wasted on duplication of services. As well, I have been very involved in a variety of childcare issues related to CDRC (Child Development and Resource Center) and the Child Care Council of the United Way.

Likewise I am proud of my commitment to the United Way of Santa Cruz County. I was the chairperson for their Education Committee and have served on their Board of Directors and Steering Committees while serving as President for two years. I have been involved in United Way's community assessment

project since its inception in 1995. It has provided important and essential information about our community and has served as the basis for improvement in many areas of the lives of residents of Santa Cruz County.

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As you can see, my entire adult life has been committed to children. Serving on the Children and Families First commission would be a continuation of my interest and my service to my community.