

City of Asheville  
**BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**  
Application Form

**Applicants are strongly urged to attend several meetings of a board prior to applying**

Name of board or commission: Alcoholic Beverage Control Board

Your name: William (Bill) D. Kopp Home Phone #: 828 252 6385

Street address: 125 White Fawn Dr. City: Asheville Zip Code: 28801

Mailing address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: self-employed

Your position: author / freelance writer Office Phone #: 828 252 6385

Resident of City Asheville County Buncombe Race White \* Gender Identity: (non-trans) man \*

Are you a Homeowner or a Renter? \* Homeowner Age: 58

Residence location (check one): Central ☒ North \_\_\_\_\_ South \_\_\_\_\_ East \_\_\_\_\_ West \_\_\_\_\_

Are you aware of any potential conflicts of interest that may arise during your service on this board (i.e., property interest, business interest, etc.)? If so, please explain: NONE  
\_\_\_\_\_. Potential conflicts of interest do not preclude appointments.

Please indicate the area(s) of expertise that you can bring to the above board(s), and then in detail list education, experience, reasons for your interest, and other factors that support your interest in serving **Applicants are encouraged to provide a cover letter and/or a brief resume. Please use additional sheets if necessary.**

As an author and freelance writer who covers both the Asheville and WNC music/arts/cultural scene and restaurant/bar/spirits topics, I have a deep and nuanced understanding of the concerns of bar owners, bartenders, restaurateurs, beverage managers and others involved in the city and region's entertainment and hospitality business sector. With my wife Audrey I have written 20+ features for local publications focusing on spirits and mixed drinks. I'm also a cocktail hobbyist who finds enjoyment in developing intriguing mixed drinks; I make my own wine, tinctures and other ingredients ancillary to the cocktail experience. As a 22+ year intown resident of the city of Asheville - and a regular customer of the ABC retail outlets - I understand the challenges unique to the ABC stores in Asheville.

And as someone with a track record of civic engagement (see "Community/personal" section on attached résumé) I believe that a position on the ABC Board will afford me the opportunity to apply my gained knowledge and interest in a way that can benefit my community.

\*\*\* Resume being sent to boards@ashevillenc.gov along with a copy of this form. \*\*\*

Return to:

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Asheville, NC 28802-7148

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Telephone: 259-5839  
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Date: August 30, 2022

E-Mail: bill@musoscribe.com

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\* This information is requested for the sole purpose of assuring that a cross section of the community is appointed.