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CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

August 7, 2018

City Council President Linda M. Morad
Honorable Members of the City Council
City of New Bedford
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Council President Morad and Honorable Members of the City Council:

I am submitting for your approval the **APPOINTMENT** of **KATHLEEN P. TOWERS** of 584 Rockdale Avenue, New Bedford, MA to the **GREATER NEW BEDFORD REGIONAL REFUSE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**. Kathleen P. Towers will be replacing Rosemary S. Tierney whose term has expired. This term will expire in **JUNE 2021**.

Sincerely,

Jonathan F. Mitchell
Mayor

JFM/sds

cc: Kathleen P. Towers
GNB Regional Refuse Management District

IN CITY COUNCIL, August 16, 2018

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings.

Dennis W. Farias, City Clerk

a true copy, attest:

City Clerk



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
BOARD & COMMISSION APPLICATION

The Mayor is seeking citizens who wish to serve on City Boards and Commissions established to assist and advise the City on specific matters. Please complete this application in full (attach a resume and other information which may assist the Mayor and the City Council in making its selection) and file it with the Personnel Office. The Mayor reserves the right to reject any application. Some appointments are subject to confirmation by the City Council.

Board/Commission applying for: (see reverse side) Licensing Board, GNB Vote Committee, Industrial Development Finance
Name: Kathleen P. Towers Email: _____
Home Telephone: _____ Work Telephone: _____
Core, Redev. Authority

Residence Address: 584 Rockdale Ave., NB Zip: 02740

Present Occupation & Place of Employment: lawyer, self-employed, 2672 St.

Educational Background: JD, Master's in Education, NB, MA
Bachelors in Journalism 02740

Memberships in Community Organizations or Professional Groups:
New Bedford Bar Assoc.

City Boards and/or Commissions on which you have previously served: None

The reasons why you wish to be considered for appointment by the Mayor: I want to make a meaningful contribution to the City I love, and I feel I have the skills and abilities to help move the City forward.

Please detail specific areas of expertise: ability to analyze statutes and regulations, argue effectively for all positions, provide leadership in a dignified manner.

Please detail specific areas of interest: economic opportunity, environmental safeguards, access to city services.

Available for meetings in the daytime evenings both (check one)

Resident of the City since what year: 2009 (and 2004 - 2005)

Appointees and incumbents may be required to file a Statement of Economic Interest, as required by the City Council Rules or the Mayor. The statement may require a declaration that you have no interest in conflict with the City of New Bedford. Please return your completed application to the Personnel Department, 133 William St., Room 212, New Bedford, MA 02740.

Applications will be kept on file for two years.

I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FOREGOING INFORMATION IS TRUE AND CORRECT.

Signature of Applicant: Kathleen P. Towers

Date: 2.24.18

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Airport Commission
Animal Inspector
Assessors, Board of
Bequests, Gifts & Trust Funds
Building Board of Appeals
Cemetery Board
Commission for Citizens with Disabilities
Condominium Board
Conservation Commission
Council of Aging
Dog Attack Prevention Commission in the City
Election Commission
Energy Resource Commission
Exhibition Hall Commission
Fence Viewers
Fish Weighers
Harbor Development Commission
Health, Board of
Historical Commission
Human Relations Commission
Industrial Development Finance Authority ✓
Library Trustees
Licensing Board ✓
Park Commissioners
Planning Board
Recreation Commission
Redevelopment Authority ✓
G.N.B Regional Refuse Management District
G.N.B. Regional Vocational Technical High School District Committee ✓
School Traffic Committee
Sign Design Review Board
Traffic Commission
Water Board
Zoning Board of Appeals

Kathleen Putney Towers

584 Rockdale Avenue
New Bedford, MA 02740

(cell)

(work)

Professional Experience

Kathleen Putney Towers, Esq.

26 Seventh Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

January 2003 to present

Solo practitioner representing clients in criminal defense, family law and personal injury matters. Active criminal practice involving representation of clients in every phase of prosecution, including researching, writing and arguing motions on a variety of issues; preparing and acting as trial counsel; and writing briefs and arguing appellate issues before the Massachusetts Appeals Court, District Court, Superior Court and Appeals Court certified by the Committee for Public Counsel Services. Represent indigent clients on a regular basis. Inform clients of all options available to them and zealously advocate on their behalf.

Office of State Senator Robert Hedlund
Chief of Staff and Legal Counsel

Boston, MA
June 2000 to December 2002

As Senator's representative, advocated for constituents by providing services, filing legislation on their behalf, and communicating the Senator's efforts through a variety of public relations efforts with print and broadcast media. Supervised a staff of five.

Office of Legislative Services
Legislative Bill Drafter

Concord, NH
October 1998 to May 2000

Drafted legislation in the areas of criminal law, motor vehicles, property and other subject matter for 424-member legislative body. Researched existing law for potential conflicts. Assisted state representatives and senators in crafting language that addressed constituent concerns.

Northeastern University School of Law
Associate Director of Admissions

Boston, MA
1991 to 1996

Travelled extensively to recruit students across the country for admission to the law school. Responsible for running admissions subcommittee focused on increasing the diversity of the student body. Participated in scholarship recommendation process. Wrote public interest scholarship grant renewal application.

Northeastern University Boston, MA
Cooperative Education Counselor for the Journalism Program 1989 to 1991

Counseled up to 100 students a trimester in job search skills, and referred them to participating employers in the cooperative education program.

Clark University Worcester, MA
Media Relations Officer 1987 to 1989

Responsible for press releases and feature articles for various in-house publications. Worked with public relations team on promoting major university events. Cultivated press relations with a variety of media outlets.

Jordan Hospital Plymouth, MA
Public Relations Assistant 1986 to 1987

Wrote weekly newsletter, acted as liaison between press and hospital personnel, wrote human interest pieces for development materials, conducted team-building exercises as part of institution's effort to strengthen the sense of community within the workplace.

Education

Suffolk University Law School Boston, MA
Juris Doctor

Northeastern University Boston, MA
Master of Education
Emphasis: College Student Personnel and Counseling

University of Massachusetts Amherst, MA
Bachelor of Arts, Journalism

Community Involvement

Member, New Bedford Bar Association, New Bedford, MA

References: Available upon request

Professional References:

Cynthia Rose

Former Assistant Clerk Magistrate
New Bedford District Court
(508) 998-7475

Susan Taylor, Esq.

Criminal and Civil Practice
26 Seventh Street
New Bedford, MA
(508) 524-6753

Donald Crotty, Esq.

Criminal and Civil Practice
75 Charles Street
Bridgewater
(508) 279-1233