



**CITY OF NEW BEDFORD**  
**JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR**

June 16, 2021

City Council President Joseph P. Lopes and  
Honorable Members of the City Council  
City of New Bedford  
133 William Street  
New Bedford, MA 02740

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

I am submitting for your approval the **APPOINTMENT** of **MATTHEW D. PROVENCHER** of 130 School Street, New Bedford, Massachusetts to the **AIRPORT COMMISSION**. Mr. Provencher will be taking a seat on the Commission vacated by Jason Oliveira. This term will expire in December 2022.

Sincerely,

  
Jonathan F. Mitchell  
Mayor

JFM/sds

cc: Matthew Provencher  
Airport Commission



## 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 Mayor's 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) \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Matthew D. Provencher Email: matthew.provencher@cityofnewbedford.com

Home Telephone: 508-725-1200 Work Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Residence Address: 130 School Street, New Bedford, MA Zip: 02740

Present Occupation & Place of Employment: Attorney, DeLuca & Associates, Ltd., Providence, RI

Educational Background: J.D.

Memberships in Community Organizations or Professional Groups:  
Friends of the New Bedford Public Library

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 am from and have lived in New Bedford my entire life, save limited periods outside the city for higher education. I would like to serve my community in local government and believe I am qualified to do so.

Please detail specific areas of expertise:  
I am a licensed attorney admitted to practice in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the State of Rhode Island.

Please detail specific areas of interest:  
Zoning/Planning, Airport, Port/Harbor, Law

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

Resident of the City since what year: 1987

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 Mayor's Office, 133 William St., Room 311, 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: Matthew D. Provencher

Date: 4/15/21

**MATTHEW D. PROVENCHER**  
130 School Street, New Bedford, MA 02740

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**BAR ADMISSIONS**

**Massachusetts**  
**Rhode Island**

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**EXPERIENCE**

**DeLuca & Associates, Ltd.**

**Aug. 2017–Present**

*Associate Attorney*

- Active practice focused on medical malpractice, catastrophic injury, and products liability cases in state and federal courts in Massachusetts and Rhode Island
- Conduct pretrial discovery, including paper discovery, depositions, and expert discovery
- Brief and argue discovery issues, along with major pretrial, trial, and appellate issues, e.g., dispositive motions, choice of law questions, *motions in limine*, and appellate briefs

**Superior Court of Massachusetts**

**Sept. 2016–Aug. 2017**

*Law Clerk to the Justices*

- Assist Justices in all phases of civil and criminal litigation
- Prepare draft decision, legal memoranda, and proposed jury instructions
- Work extensively with Justices on trials, hearings, and motions sessions

**Rhode Island Supreme Court**

**Aug. 2015–Aug. 2016**

**Trial Court Law Clerk Department**

*Law Clerk*

- Law clerk assigned to motion and formal and special cause calendars in Kent County Superior Court
- Wrote bench memoranda briefing motion justice on all motions to dismiss and motions for summary judgment
- Drafted decisions in administrative appeals

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**EDUCATION**

**Roger Williams University School of Law**

**2012–2015**

Juris Doctor, *magna cum laude*

- *Roger Williams University Law Review* – Notes & Comments Editor
- Moot Court Board
- Honors Program
- Robert B. Kent and Dean's Honors Scholarships

# MATTHEW D. PROVENCHER

University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Sociology

2005–2011

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## CURRENT NONPROFIT AND BOARD POSITIONS

Friends of the New Bedford Public Library

*Vice President*

Theta Corporation of Theta Chi Fraternity

*Director*