

I apply for the position of FEI Tribunal Member					
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First Name/FAMILY NAME	Diane/PITTS				
Year of Birth	1951				
Nationality	USA				
Languages spoken	English, some French				
Endorsed by (NF)	United States Equestrian Federation				

	Year	Experience
Professional Career	1978- 2002	Attorney, Dallas, TX law firm of Jenkens & Gilchrist, P.C. Partner/Shareholder/Of Counsel - General Counsel (1983-2002) Specialized in corporate, partnership, securities law, risk management, ethics compliance
	1972- 1975	Legislative Aide, Office of U.S. Congressman Bill Chappell, Florida
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her sport e	2020- present	FEI Tribunal Member
	2017- present	United States Equestrian Federation Board of Directors
ot	2008-16	United States Eventing Association Board of Governors, President 2013-16
Equestrian ar Exper	2016- present	US Eventing Association Foundation Board of Trustees, Chair 2017-present
	2015- present	US Equestrian Federation Governance Committee, Chair 2017-21
	2019- present	US Equestrian Federation Legislative Committee, Chair 2021-present
	2014-19	US Equestrian Federation International Disciplines Council Member
	2012-13	US Equestrian Federation Safe Sport Task Force

	Year	Degree / Certification
Education / Certification	1978	J.D. University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA
	1972-75	Graduate Studies, Political Science, Georgetown University, Washington, D.C.
	1970	Special Student, University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, RSA
	1972	B.A. Southern Methodist University, Dallas, TX

I confirm that the information given in this Form is accurate and complete; I confirm having carefully read the contents of the job specification, in particular but not limited to, the position constraints.

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March 1, 2022

Mr. William J. Moroney Chief Executive Officer United States Equestrian Federation, Inc. 4001 Wing Commander Way Lexington, KY 40511

Re: FEI Tribunal Letter of Motivation

Dear Mr. Moroney:

I am submitting this Letter of Motivation In response to your inquiry as to my willingness to be nominated to serve an additional term on the FEI Tribunal ("Tribunal"). Based on my experience as a member of the Tribunal and after reviewing again the current regulations, duties and obligations of the Tribunal and its members, I am hereby submitting my request for consideration for an appointment to the Tribunal for an additional term.

I am a problem solver both by education as well as inclination. After spending over 20 years practicing corporate/securities law for a major Dallas law firm, I became its General Counsel. In that role, I was the primary ethics compliance officer as well as a member of the Firm's Risk Management Committee. I spent countless hours educating young lawyers on their ethical duties as members of the Bar and solving conflict of interest, confidentiality and similar ethical issues. I believe that both my legal education as well as my experience in dealing with ethical issues have been assets in fulfilling my duties as a Tribunal member.

I have continued in the role of a problem solver at the United States Equestrian Federation ("USEF"). A great deal of my involvement with the USEF has related to the governance of the Federation and equestrian sport. In particular, as a member of the Governance Committee, I have worked very hard, along with members of my Committee, to ensure that the necessary systems are in place to create and maintain a level playing field for all athletes. The Committee's work is insightful and thorough. The "process" of governing is important in and of itself and these processes must make sense to be effective. I was also involved with developing the USEF's initial Safe Sport program and have continued to be a

strong proponent of both Safe Sport and Clean Sport. Solid, effective governance and equal access for all stakeholders remain priorities of mine.

As a member of the Tribunal for the past few years, I have been able to use my analytical abilities as well as my training in understanding statutes and regulations. I have enjoyed working with the other Tribunal members and appreciate their dedication and work ethic. It has also given me new insight into the monumental task of governing international equestrian sports.

I have learned equestrian sports from the ground up, serving in various volunteer roles from the grass roots level to the governance of the sport. I believe it is my obligation to understand completely the decisions we are asked to make and to review thoroughly all the information presented to us. I owe a lot to my involvement in equestrian sports. I believe my background and demeanor have allowed me to become a trusted and valued contributor to equestrian sports. I appreciate the importance of the Tribunal and its works and believe I would continue be a valued contributor to its work. I would certainly fulfill the responsibility of being a member of the Tribunal to the best of my abilities.

Respectfully,

Diane Pitts



the Audit & Compliance Committee shall be entitled to attend such hearing and, with the permission of the Hearing Panel, to make observations on the Candidate's submission.

Requests for witnesses to attend the hearing to give evidence in relation to the case must be submitted in advance to the Hearing Panel, who shall decide, in their sole discretion, whether or not the witness/es may give evidence. If a candidate intends to call a witness (at its costs), the candidate must submit a written and signed witness statement to the Hearing Panel no later than 48 hours before the hearing.

The concerned Candidate's NF must be informed in all cases.

Any sanction shall be the subject of a written and reasoned decision. Decisions imposing sanctions, as set out in Article 8, shall be made public. The Hearing Panel may decide to communicate the operative part of the decision to the parties, prior to the reasons.

For any measure or sanction, the Candidate concerned shall be notified before it is made public. The relevant NF shall also be informed. This information may be communicated orally or by electronic mail. If the information is communicated orally, a brief record shall be established and a copy given to the candidate or NF concerned.

Read and acknowledged:

March 1, 2022

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April 18, 2022

Ms. Sabrina Ibáñez, Secretary General Fédération Equestre Internationale HM King Hussein I Building Chemin de la Joliette 8 1006 Lausanne Switzerland

Dear Sabrina:

The United States Equestrian Federation is pleased to support the nomination of Ms. Diane Pitts for FEI Tribunal Member.

If you need additional information, please contact the US Equestrian office.

Best regards,

Thomas F. X. O'Mara

President

cc:

Julie Schlaefli, FEI Governance Coordinator

William J. Moroney Secretary General to the FEI

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