

# APPLICATION FOR COUNTY OF EL DORADO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE

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Board or Commission Applying For Community and Economic Development Advisory Committee	Vacant Position or Title Member at Large	
First Name James	Last Name Lauth	
Email Address		
Residential Address	Residential City Placerville	Residential ZIP Code 95667
Daytime Telephone	Mobile Telephone (no value entered)	
Occupation/Title retired	Employer n/a	
List all County boards, commissions or committees to whice Civil Grand Jury	th you are/were appointed. Plea	ase include dates of service.
Summary of qualifications El Dorado County Civil Grand Jury MBA, Santa Clara University Juris Doctor, Santa Clara University 30+ years supervisory and managerial experience in the Santa Clara worked on an Advisory Committee with the City of Sur Understanding of government processes		-
Affiliations with professional and/or community groups member of both the masonic and elks lodges in Place	ville	

Why do you seek appointment?

Volunteer with the Center for Violence Free Relationships

I am interested in seeing the County grow responsibly so that it maintains its natural beauty and character yet increases its economic resources for the benefit of the community.

#### Additional Information

People that know me would describe me as astute, studious, thorough, generous, fair, non-judgmental, dedicated, analytical, a listener, a good friend, and, surprisingly these days, as I sit here in my studio, artistic.

If known, indicate the member of the Board of Supervisors who will receive a copy of this application I live in District 4, so possibly Supervisor Parlin. Yet, I am applying as a member at large so I expect that they all will see it.		
File Attachments Lauth Resume 4-4-19.pdf		
Signature of Applicant	Date 04/04/2019	

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## James H. Lauth

Placerville, CA 95667 ◆

Retired Municipal Utility Leader | Community volunteer and Recent Law School Graduate | Accomplished utility industry professional brings a unique combination of engineering expertise and analytical perspectives with a track record of delivering thoughtful and innovative business strategies. Searching for part-time volunteer opportunities to utilize work experience skills and education to better the Gold Country Region by assisting with vital community needs.

## **EDUCATION**

#### Juris Doctor, Santa Clara University School of Law, Santa Clara, 2011

Public Interest and Social Justice Certificate; Law Faculty Scholarship Activities and Achievements:

- Honors Moot Court External Board ( Summer / Fall 2011)
- Honors Moot Court External State Bar of Calif., Environmental Negotiations Competition (Mar 2011)
- Santa Clara Computer and High Tech Law Journal: Associate (Sep 2009 Feb 2010)
- Environmental Law Society Vice President for External Affairs (2009-10), Treasurer (2011)
- Part-Time Law Association 2L Class Representative (2009-10), 3L Class Rep (2011)
- American Immigration Lawyers Association, SCU Student Group External VP (2010-11)
- Lexis Professional Research Certificate, 3/8/2011

### MBA, Santa Clara University, Leavey School of Business, Santa Clara, CA (1991)

- · Graduated with distinction
- Member Beta Gamma Sigma

BSEE B.S., Electrical Engineering, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA (1982)

## PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

#### Silicon Valley Power (SVP), Santa Clara, CA (2000 –2014)

SVP is a municipal electric utility owned and operated by the city of Santa Clara. It has been market-leading in offering its customers the option of selecting "Santa Clara Green Power", 100% renewable energy generated from wind and solar sources.

#### <u>Utility Compliance Division Manager | EH&S | NERC Standards</u> (2007-December 2014)

Managed overall Environmental, Health, & Safety (EH&S) program and led SVP's Compliance Division to monitor and ensure compliance with NERC/WECCC electric Reliability Standards.

- Led the project team in developing a reliability compliance program. When new Federal utility regulations
  mandated a more rigorous and mandatory compliance program. Analyzed SVP's compliance and worked with
  outside counsel to develop evidence to demonstrate compliance. Created a cross-functional team to address
  immediate evidentiary needs and to develop a long term proactive Compliance Program process.
- Cal/OSHA Master Class September 10, 2013

#### Electric Operations Division Manager (2000-2007)

Directed Department responsible for 24/7 real-time monitoring and operation of the electric system for the City of Santa Clara. Led cross-functional team that conducted strategic assessments and established new department programs, policies and procedures to ensure public and employee safety and system reliability.

- Led review of SVP's top strategic core process Reliability. Driven by the need to ensure highly reliable service for SVP's high tech customers, engaged in a full assessment of the company's reliability performance. Performed data analysis to determine quality metrics, organized a cross-functional "Root-Cause" Reliability team, and engaged in an industry benchmarking studies.
- Collaborated in the development and implementation of a nationally recognized innovative "Power Reduction Pool" during the energy crisis of 2000-2001.

## James H. Lauth

## Pacific Gas & Electric, Cupertino & San Francisco, CA(1983-2000)

Director | Manager | Engineering San Francisco. CA and Cupertino, CA (1993 -2000)

Corporate program management and leadership of engineering group.

## Assistant to the Vice President Gas & Electric Technical Services (1990-1993)

Provided high-level support to the Vice President and the department's management team as well as corporate Senior Executives.

Provide technical support to the legal team for the 1995 system-wide storm investigation.

Represented the Business Unit for a corporate-wide business system replacement project for mission-critical financial systems.

Budget & Financial Analyst San Francisco. CA Distribution Business Unit Budget Department (1989-1990)
Analyze and monitor Business /Unit expenditures including project progress reporting

## Engineering Supervisor Cupertino, CA (1986-1989)

Supervised Engineering group responsible for the electric utility distribution system in Silicon Valley.

### Electric Utility Engineer Cupertino, CA (1983-1986)

Perform engineering for PG&E's electric distribution and transmission systems in Silicon Valley.

## **LEGAL EXPERIENCE / CLINICS AND INTERNSHIPS**

Santa Clara University School of Law, Santa Clara, CA

October 2012 - May 2013 (Part-time)

#### Graduate Fellow:

Provide legal research and writing in support of the Honors Moot Court Program.

- Develop Moot Court problems for team tryouts and competitions.
  - participate as a Moot Court judge in tryouts and practice rounds
  - Research and write bench briefs for Moot Court tryouts, practices, and competitions.

### Freelance Legal Research Consultant, Sunnyvale, CA

April 2012 - June 2012 (Part-time)

Provide legal research and analysis projects for a local solo practitioner with an emphasis on labor/employment law

- Research insurance law to develop recommendations for client's business strategy for a startup in the healthcare industry.
- Research discrimination law to develop strategy for settlement negotiations for client's ADA complaint.
- Successfully wrote office memorandum with thorough legal analysis for attorney's use in client counseling.

### Katharine and George Alexander Community Law Center

April 2012 - April 2013 (Part-time)

Santa Clara University's Legal Clinic

#### Worker's Rights Clinic: Graduate volunteer

- Assisted Supervising Attorney, and mentor students in the interviewing and advising clinic:
  - o Client Intake, Client Interviews
  - o Legal and factual analysis to develop client advice strategies
- Types of cases included: wage & hour claims, wrongful terminations, discrimination claims, disability claims, unemployment insurance claims.

# Santa Cruz County District Attorney's Office, Santa Cruz, CA January-August 2011 (Part-time) Consumer and Environmental Protection Unit of the District Attorney's Office

Volunteer Legal Intern

Worked with a Supervising Attorney to investigate citizens' environmental and consumer fraud complaints.

- Investigated citizen complaints of consumer fraud.
- Reviewed environmental agency investigative reports and collaborated with agency for the investigation of further evidence including asbestos and natural resources.
- Developed a well-researched office memo that spotted key evidentiary issue on an environmental violation.
- Reviewed discovery documents, prepared factual summaries and internal office memoranda.

## James H. Lauth

Northern California Innocence Project, Santa Clara, CA Student Legal Intern

Summer 2010 & Fall 2011 (School Classes)

Worked with a Supervising Attorney to investigate first inmate's claim of innocence after being imprisoned for over twenty year for murder and attempted murder. Second Client was wrongly convicted for arson and murder and imprisoned for over sixteen years.

- Reviewed court documents from all stages of criminal prosecution: police reports, preliminary hearing, pre-trial
  motions, and all aspects of trial and post-conviction proceedings (transcripts).
- Assisted in the preparation of a Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus and Memorandum of Points and Authorities.
   First client was exonerated and released from prison on March 15, 2011.
- Second client was exonerated on April 12, 2013

## **CERTIFICATIONS & OTHER TRAINING**

Villanova University February, 2006 Six Sigma Greenbelt Certificate

Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, Fall 2013 Audited Federal Tax Law class

## Affiliations / Community Leadership

- Operations Committee, Western Electricity Coordinating Council SVP Representative (2003-December 2014)
   Compliance Hearing Body Member (2009 December 2014)
- Transmission Agency of Northern California, E&O Committee SVP representative (2000-2011)
- North American Electric Reliability Corp (NERC) Critical Infrastructure Protection Committee APPA Alternate Member (2003- December 2014)
- City of Sunnyvale's Advisory Committee on Accessibility -- Member (2007-2008)
- Knowledge is Power Mentor Program Mt. Pleasant and Independence High Schools Mentor (2008-2010)
- Marshall(2018): Masonic Lodge, #26 (Placerville) Junior Deacon (2019)
- Member: Ben Ali Shriners(Sacramento)
- Volunteer, The Center for Violence Free Relationships Legal Services Department, Placerville (as needed)
- Volunteer, Mother Theresa's Maternity Home. Placerville (as needed)
- Member, Placerville Elks Lodge
- Juror, 2018-19 El Dorado County Civil Grand Jury