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## Board Member Interest Form

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Expression-of-interest = Having grown up in Hall County, I spent my summers as a child going to the summer programs at the Gainesville and Murrayville branches of the Hall County Library System. After graduating law school, I returned to Gainesville and purchased a home right off the square. Each Saturday, my Wife and I walk to the Gainesville library to spend a portion of our morning. The libraries in Hall County are a vital and unique part of our greater community. The Murrayville location, for example, serves an area of Hall County that otherwise would not have access to the classes, meeting spaces, publications, and other offerings of our library system. After graduating, I spent many, many hours studying the bar exam in one of the rooms of the Murrayville branch. With developments in technology, I feel strongly that the role of physical, brick and motor libraries is more important than ever. At UGA, I was a student employee in the law library and saw firsthand the benefits of offering a physical space to the community. Programs like Libby have helped our libraries to evolve and adapt to suit the needs of our community. Libby, however popular, does not fill the void of offering a meeting space to the community. Recently, I attended a program presented by the Hall County Master Gardeners at the Murrayville Branch one evening, and the common observation by all attendees was that the meeting space provided by the branch was a great service to our community. Should I be appointed to the Library Board, I would be honored to offer my time and experience as an attorney to assist the board in document/contract review and program development (specifically, summer programs like the ones I participated in as a child). Thank you for your consideration and for your service to Hall County!

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