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METRO COUNCIL VACANCY APPLICATION FORM

KRS 67C.103(6) provides that a person must satisfy the following criteria) to serve as a member of Metro Council:

No person shall be eligible to serve as a member of a consolidated local government council unless he or she is at least eighteen (18) years old, a qualified voter, and a resident within the territory of the consolidated local government and the district that he or she seeks to represent for at least one (1) year immediately prior to the person's election. A council member shall continue to reside within the district from which he or she was elected throughout the term of office.

Please provide the following information:

Full Legal Name *	Colby Lawrence Birkes
Date of Birth *	[redacted]
Current Residential Address *	2912 Abigail Dr. Apt. 3 Louisville, KY 40205 United States
Length of residence at current address *	2 years 9 months
Attach your resume *	birkes_resume.docx 23.37 KB · DOCX
Name *	Colby Birkes
Email *	[redacted]

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By submitting this form, I hereby certify that the above information is true and correct, and I meet all the statutory and constitutional qualifications for the vacant office for which I am applying.

Colby Birkes

Colby Lawrence Birkes

2912 Abigail Drive, Louisville, KY 40205 | [redacted] | [redacted]

EDUCATION

University of Louisville Brandeis School of Law, Louisville, KY
Juris Doctor Candidate, May 2023 GPA: 3.884, Rank: 8/112

Honors: Brandeis Scholar; Joseph Lenihan Memorial Scholarship; CALI Award for Criminal Law (Fall 2020), Constitutional Law (Spring 2022), Products Liability (Spring 2022), Criminal Procedure (Fall 2022)

Activities: University of Louisville Law Review, Senior Symposium Editor; Brandeis National Moot Court Team; Research Assistant, Kentucky Judiciary Committee; VP of Communications, Student Bar Association; Research Assistant, Legal Education Reform Project; Wagner Labor Moot Court Team

Morehead State University, Morehead, KY
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, May 2020 GPA: 4.000

Honors: Summa Cum Laude, Morehead State Student of the Year (2017-18); Certificate of Merit for research on sexual harassment in quasi-militaristic institutions (Spring 2018)

Activities: Student Body President and Regent**;** Cicero Honors Society for the Study of Philosophical Scholarship; Classical Philosophy Scholar

EXPERIENCE

Councilwoman Cassie Chambers-Armstrong, Louisville Metro Council, Louisville, KY
Legal Fellow, Spring 2023

- Draft ordinances and memos, maintain line of communication with unions, interest groups, and the County Attorney, and conduct research

Dentons Bingham Greenebaum, Louisville, KY
Associate Attorney, September 2023; Summer *Law Clerk*, Summer 2022

- Conduct Research, assist in trial preparation, and draft legal documents and pleadings

Hon. Judge Beaton- United States District Court for the Western District of Kentucky, Louisville, KY
Judicial Extern, Fall 2021

- Draft opinions, conduct research for trials and hearings, and draft internal memoranda

United States Attorney's Office-Western District of Kentucky, Louisville, KY
Summer Law Clerk and Greenebaum Fellow, May 2021 – Present

- Conduct research, assist in trial preparation, aid in discovery, and draft motions/memoranda

Louisville Title Agency, Louisville, KY
Legal Intern and Closer, June 2020 – Present

- Drafted, organized, and filed documents with the county clerk offices
- Assisted in drafting complex sales contracts for commercial transactions and facilitated the closings

Hon. Judy Sgro, Canadian Parliament, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
Parliamentary Aid and Speech Writer, May 2018 – July 2018

- Drafted press releases and speeches, managed federal and provincial campaigns, represented Hon. Sgro at caucuses, and developed national policy initiatives
- Met with other offices to gage policy support and whip votes

Kentucky Democratic Party, Morehead, KY
Campaign Field Organizer, January 2018 – May 2020

- Worked with the Party to recruit college students for field positions and traveled the state to participate in campaign efforts for a number of candidates, including now Governor Beshear

Bill Redwine for State Representative, Morehead, KY
Volunteer, June 2019 – November 2019

- Canvassed, recruited volunteers, and aided in the development of platform policies and campaign efforts

LEADERSHIP

Council on Post-Secondary Education, Frankfort, KY
Student Representative, June 2020 – Present

Kentucky Student Advisory Council (KSAC), Frankfort, KY
Advisor, June 2021 – Present; *Founder and Chair*, April 2019 – June 2021

Kentucky Board of Student Body Presidents, Frankfort, KY
Advisor, July 2020 – July 2021; *Chair*, July 2019 – July 2020

Student Government Association, **Morehead State University**, Morehead, KY
President & Student Regent, May 2019 – June 2020; *Executive Vice President*, May 2018 – May 2019; *Senator*, May 2017 – May 2018

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- *Big Brother*, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Kentuckiana (May 2021-Present)
- *Peer Mentor and SSG Instructor* (July 2021-December 2021). Teach a weekly class to 1Ls on studying, note taking, etc.
- Made Morehead State the first Seizure Smart University in the nation, training all employee's in seizure first aid.
- *Member*, Rowan County Chamber of Commerce (2019-20). Assisted and planned community fundraising events