

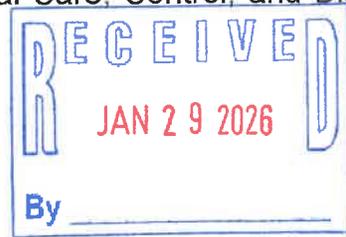
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT – Martin County Animal Care and Control Oversight Board –

Type of Member:

At-Large – must be a Martin County resident licensed in Veterinary Medicine or are animal care professionals with shelter experience

- Representative from Entity Contracted for the Provision of Animal Care, Control, and Disposition Services
 Representative from the Sheriff's Office Animal Services Unit

Check One: Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss Dr.



Name: RICA C. NELSON **INCUMBENT**

Residence Address: 1701 SW CARAI ST, Apt 105 BS, Palm City, FL 34990
Street - City - Zip Code

Mailing Address: _____
(if different) Street - City - Zip Code

Commission District in which you reside: 5^{dg} If left blank, Staff will complete.

Are you available year round to attend meetings? yes no If **no**, what months **are** you available?

Telephone numbers: daytime: 4085-3442 alternate: HUSBAND 285-0905 alternate: _____
Area Codes are considered 772 unless you note otherwise.

EMAIL: palmita1016@gmail.com

Have you ever pled guilty or "no contest" to a crime, been convicted of a crime, had adjudication withheld, prosecution deferred, been placed on probation, received a suspended sentence or forfeited bail in connection with any offense (except minor traffic violations)? Please show all convictions, including driving while intoxicated (DUI) convictions. yes no If yes, please provide the following information:

TYPE OF OFFENCES: _____

DATES: _____

PLACES (city/state): _____

SENTENCES OR FINES: _____

A conviction record does not necessarily disqualify you for consideration. Factors such as age at time of offense, nature of violation, and rehabilitation will be considered. The Martin County Board of County Commissioners retains the right to remove, at will, any appointee to a Board or Committee with or without cause.

Education/Experience: HS. GRAD - 7 yrs working while husband attended Vet. School then employed by him for 9 yrs. Became REAL ESTATE SALESPERSON & Sec'y to MR NELSON REAL ESTATE

Employment Experience: VOLUNTEERING for HSTC for over 20 yrs - 8 YEARS WERE SPENT as BOARD PRES. (1 1/2 yrs as SHELTER MGR). RETIRED TO TRAVEL IN RV WITH HUSBAND. PARTICIPATED IN MUCH FUND RAISING for HSTC INCLUDING PRESENT SHELTER. STARTED PAWS & CLAWS!

Community Experience and Affiliations: A founding member of HIBISCUS CHILDREN'S CENTER - INVOLVED IN FUND RAISING and

Other County Boards/Committees/Task Forces on which you have served: HEART ASSOC. & HOSPITAL BALLS.

Do you or any member of your immediate family work for Martin County or do you or a company that you are an officer or employee of have an existing contract with Martin County? If yes, please explain:

No

REFERENCES: Please list two references:

CEO FRANK VALENTE HSTC

CEO SHAWN PERRIGO - SANDHILL COVE RETIREMENT HOME

- Applicant may be required by State Law and County Ordinance to file a Financial Disclosure Statement as part of the appointment process.
- Florida law prohibits an advisory board member from doing business with its agency (the County). Sections 112.313(3) and (7), Florida Statutes. However, upon full disclosure by the Applicant, the conflict may be waived at the discretion of the Board of County Commissioners by a supermajority vote. Section 112.313(12), Florida Statutes.

→ Signature:

Rita G. Nelson

Date:

1/28/26

Applications must be filed with Martin County Administration, 2401 SE Monterey Road, Stuart, Florida 34996 by **Friday, January 30, 2026**. All information submitted becomes public record. If you have any questions, please call (772) 221-1352 or send email to