



County
Effingham
Georgia
Board of Commissioners

BOARD MEMBER PROFILE APPLICATION

AUTHORITIES/BOARDS/COMMITTEES

AUTHORITY/BOARD/COMMITTEE: DFACS Local Advisory Board

PROSPECTIVE MEMBER CONTACT INFORMATION

NOMINEE: Karen Thomas

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Springfield, GA 31329

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COUNTY VOTING DISTRICT/MUNICIPALITY: District 4

EMPLOYMENT/BUSINESS HISTORY

COMPANY NAME: Effingham County BOE YEARS: 31

POSITION: School Counselor at Ebenezer Middle School

ADDRESS: 1100 Ebenezer Road Rincon, GA 31326

RESPONSIBILITIES:

My basic responsibilities fall under three tiers. At tier one I provide mental health
assistance to studnets as needed when needed. At tier two, I work with the school
intervention team to collect data, identify student needs, and develop a personalized ir

CIVIC/VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCES:

ORGANIZATION: Pregnancy Care Center of Rincon **YEARS OF ASSOCIATION:** 20

POSITION OF LEADERSHIP: I am currently serving as secretary.

ORGANIZATION: First Baptist Church of Springfield **YEARS OF ASSOCIATION:** 23

POSITION OF LEADERSHIP: I have served on various committees throughout the years.

I am currently serving on the Constitution and By-Laws committee and the AWANA program.

EDUCATION HISTORY:

HIGH SCHOOL: Screven County High School

TRADE/VOCATIONAL:

COLLEGE: Georgia Southern University

GRADUATE/POST-GRADUATE: M. Ed and Ed. S. at Georgia Southern

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS/CERTIFICATIONS: National Certified Counselor (NBCC)

Please share why you are interested in serving on this board?

Serving on the DFACS Board will allow me to advocate for students while serving my community.

What are your areas of expertise you feel would be beneficial to this organization?

I have been a school counselor for 25 years. I have experience in working DFACS to make reports,

meet with case workers, and often act as a liaison between the case worker and school personnel.

Do you currently serve on any other boards/committees which are appointed by the Board of Commissioners? ☐ yes ☒ no

If yes, please list them here: _____

Do you have skills in any of the following areas?

- ☒ Law ☐ Finance ☐ Fundraising ☒ Advocacy ☐ Information Technology
☒ Strategic Planning ☐ Economic Development ☐ Transportation