

701 West Main Street, Bluff, Utah 84512

LETTER OF INTEREST

Mr. Mack McDonald San Juan County Administrator 117 South Main Street Monticello, Utah 84535

March 14, 2025

RE: County Economic Development (CED) Board Vacancy

Dear Mack,

Please accept this letter of interest to volunteer on the CED Board as a San Juan County Private Sector Representative.

I have been a resident of San Juan County for the past 34 years. I have spent most of that time as a business owner / operator. I currently own and operate the Desert Rose Resort and Cabins as well as Duke's Restaurant in the Town of Bluff.

I have been a Bluff volunteer fire fighter, a member of the Bluff Service Area Board, and currently serve on the Bluff Water Works Board. It would be a great honor to serve on the County Economic Development Board, just like my late wife Cindy who served on that board for many years.

If you have any questions, or need further details, please feel free to reach out to me.

Kind Regards,

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EDUCATION

MSEE: Master of Science in Electrical Engineering, May 1987. Developed and optimized the design of interstitial antennas for brain cancer using Hyperthermia.

BSEE: Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering, May 1985.

EXPERIENCE

Serial Entrepreneur: 1992 to 1997. Co-owned and operated several businesses including an inn, a restaurant, a gift shop, a pottery factory, a wholesale Native American arts and crafts company, a vending business, and a medical supplies company.

Desert Rose Resort and Cabins, Bluff, Utah, 1997 to present.

Duke's Restaurant, Bluff, Utah, 2015 to present.

Moab Momento Gift Shop, Moab, Utah, 2019 to present.

- **Instructor**: College of Eastern Utah (currently Utah State University Eastern), January 1991 to May 1992, Blanding, Utah. Instructed math and physics classes.
- **Project Engineer**: BSD Medical, University of Utah Research Park, December 1989 to December 1991: Managed the design and development of a medical device to treat a prostate condition called Benign Prostatic Hyperplasia (BPH).
- **R&D RF/Microwave Engineer**, BSD Medical, University of Utah Research Park, May 1987 to December 1989: Designed a variety of medical devices for hyperthermia cancer treatment using RF/Microwave energy.
- **Teaching Assistant**: University of Utah 1983-1987. Assisted in teaching RF/Microwave energy classes, as well as undergraduate Electrical Engineering Laboratories.
- **Research Assistant**: University of Utah 1985-1987. Master's Thesis "Design and optimization of interstitial RF/Microwave antennas for the treatment of brain cancer."
- **Patents and Publications**. I hold a few patents and have a number of publications and conference presentations in the field of Hyperthermia Cancer Treatment.