

Board and Commission Applicant Information

Smith, Douglas

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Applicant Name: Smith, Douglas

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Ethnicity: Caucasian

Gender:

District: 10

City of Austin Resident: Yes

Employer: Texas Criminal Justice Coalition

Occupation: Policy Analyst

Disability:

Resume:

Douglas Smith, MSSW [REDACTED] Education Masters of Science in Social Work The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX 2000 Bachelor of Arts St. Edward's University, Austin, TX Concentration in Psychology; graduated magnum cum laude 1994 Employment History Texas Criminal Justice Coalition (TCJC), Policy Analyst • Researches policies related to sentencing reform, conditions of confinement, and reentry. Develops fact sheets and provides expert testimony to support TCJC legislative priorities. • Develops relationships with legislators, staff, advocates, agency personnel, and personally impacted individuals, and has managed a campaign that resulted in nine pieces of legislation becoming law (2015). • Currently performing research to develop legislation and advocacy strategy in preparation for the 85th State Legislative Session. • Presents on criminal justice reform at conferences, academic panels, and community events. Texas Department of Criminal Justice & Restorative Justice Ministries, Peer Educator • Taught sexual assault and HIV prevention to groups of 10-80 maximum-security inmates. Responsible for training new educators and improving content knowledge among all educators, contributing to the Walls Unit Peer Educators winning an award for greatest depth of knowledge regarding the Prison Rape Elimination Act. The University of Texas at Austin, School of Social Work, Adjunct Instructor • Taught Public Policy Analysis, Poverty and Public Policy, and Dynamics of Organizations to classes of up to 30 top-ranked graduate students. • Served as a Field Instructor to MSSW candidates pursuing careers in public policy during their final practicum, including students assigned to the Center for Public Policy Priorities and the Texas Legislature. American Cancer Society (ACS), Account Manager • Wrote grant proposals and state government responses to Requests For Proposals to expand the delivery of tobacco-cessation services nationwide. Disability Rights, Inc., Program Coordinator/Health Care Policy Analyst • Performed health

care policy analysis and advised state legislators and state agency officials about the policy implications of proposed rules or legislation. Texas House of Representatives Legislative Director, Representative Michael Villarreal • Developed legislation on issues ranging from quality early education to economic development. • Supervised the legislative office during the session, making policy, committee, and public-relations assignments. Policy Analyst, House Committee on Human Services, Chairman Elliott Naishtat • Wrote Human Services Committee interim report, and helped to develop and pass legislation recommended in the report. Volunteerism and Community Engagement • Correspondent, Prison Radio Show, KPFT Houston • Member, Reentry Advocacy Project, Austin/Travis County Reentry Roundtable • Ambassador, Goodwill Central Texas Key Presentations • Panelist, • Housing: Challenges and Solutions, • 6th Annual Statewide Reentry Conference, Travis County [January 2016] • Panelist, • Criminal Justice Reform in Texas and Beyond, • Scholars Strategy Network, University of Texas at Austin [November 2015] • Speaker, • Reentry Victories in the 84th Legislative Session, • Travis County Sheriff's Department Vision Summit [November 2015] • Speaker, • Break Every Chain: Christians and Criminal Justice Reform, • Texas Christian Community Development Network, No Need Among You Conference [October 2015] • Panelist, • Fair Sentencing and Fair Chances National Tour, • Coalition for Public Safety [October 2015] • Panelist, • Criminal Justice: The Next Five Years, • Texas Tribune [October 2015] Military Service United States Air Force Spanish Linguist and Information Management Specialist Honorably Discharged

Board or Commission Name and Specific Qualifications:

- **Sobriety Center Local Government Corporation**

Qualifications: I am a Masters-level social worker as well as a Policy Analyst for Criminal Justice Reform at Texas Criminal Justice Coalition. I research local and state policies designed to divert people from the criminal justice system, and direct them to community resources that address the factors that lead to arrest.