



# Appointments Questionnaire

The information from this questionnaire will be used by the Governor's office and, where applicable, The Florida Senate in considering action on your confirmation. The questionnaire **MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL**. Answer "none" or "not applicable" where appropriate. **Please type or print in black ink.**

25 October 2020

<b>Name:</b>	MR.	Gerald.	Dedge.	Date Completed
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	MR./MRS./MS./DR.	FIRST	LAST	MIDDLE/MAIDEN

## Section 1- General Information

List all your places of residence for the last ten (10) years.

Address	City & State	Dates: From / To
102 Neptune Road	Saint Augustine, Florida	12/91-present

List all your former and current residences outside of Florida that you have maintained at any time during adulthood

Address	City & State	Dates: From / To
Bad Kissingen	Germany	06/79- 03/81
Fort Rucker	Alabama	03/83-03/84

Have you ever been arrested, charged, or indicted for violation of any federal, state, county, or municipal law, regulation, or ordinance? (Exclude traffic violations for which a fine or civil penalty of \$150 or less was paid.) Yes  No

If "Yes" give details:

Date	Place	Nature	Disposition
09/81	Clay County	Disturbing the peace.	100 Fine

## Section 2- Education and Background

High School: Nathan Bedford Forrest High School  
(Name) (Location)

Year Graduated: 1976

List all postsecondary education institutions attended:

Name	Dates	Degree Received
Saint John's Community College.	97-98.	Law Enforcement/ Criminal Justice
Vincennes University.	08-09.	Associates Degree in Science
Embry Riddle.	12-current.	BS in Professional Aeronautics

Are you or have you ever been a member of the armed forces of the United States? Yes  No

If "Yes" List:

Dates of service: 03/79-01/21

Branch or component: Army/Florida Army National Guard

Date & type of discharge: Retired 31 January 2021

Concerning your current employer and for all of your employment during the last ten years, list your employer's name, business address, type of business, occupation or job title, and period(s) of employment.

Employer's Name & Location	Type of Business	Occupation Title	Period
Saint John's County Sheriffs Office, 4015 Lewis Speedway, Saint Augustine, Fl. 32084		Captain/ Air/Marine.	11/20-08/21
Florida Army National Guard. 82 Marine Street, Saint Augustine, Fl 32084.			09/03-01/21

Have you ever been employed by any state, district, or local governmental agency in Florida?

Yes  No

If "Yes", identify the position(s), the name(s) of the employing agency, and the period(s) of employment:

Position	Employing Agency	Period of Employment
Captain.	Saint John's County Sheriffs Office.	Part time 12/97-11/20 Fulltime 11/20-08/21

Do you currently hold an office or position (appointive, civil service, or other) with the federal or any foreign government? Yes  No

If "Yes", please list:

N/A

Have you ever been elected or appointed to any public office in this state? Yes  No

If "Yes", state the office title, dates in office, level of government (city, county, district, state, federal), and whether you were elected or appointed (if appointed, by whom):

Office Title	Dates in Office	Level of Government	Election or Appointment
N/A			

If your service was on an appointed board(s), committee(s), or council(s):

- (1) How frequently were meetings scheduled: N/A
- (2) If you missed any of the regularly scheduled meetings, state the number of meetings you attended, the number you missed, and the reasons(s) for your absence(s).

Meetings Attended	Meetings Missed	Reason for Absence
N/A		

Has probable cause ever been found that you were in violation of the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, Part III, Chapter 112, F.S.? Yes  No

If "Yes" give details:

Date	Nature of Violation	Disposition
N/A		

Have you ever been suspended from any office by the Governor of the State of Florida?

Yes  No

If "Yes", list:

Title of Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Reason for suspension: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of suspension: \_\_\_\_\_

Result: Reinstated  Removed  Resigned

Have you previously been appointed to any office that required confirmation by the Florida Senate?

Yes  No

If "Yes", list:

(1) Title of Office: \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Term of Appointment: \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Confirmation Result: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever been refused a fidelity, surety, performance, or other bond? Yes  No

If "Yes", explain:

License/Certificate	Title/Number	Date Issued	Issuing Authority	Disciplinary Action/Date

### Section 3- Possible Conflicts of Interest

Have you, or businesses of which you have been an owner, officer, or employee, held any contractual or other direct dealings during the last four (4) years with any state or local governmental agency in Florida, including the office or agency to which you have been appointed or are seeking appointment?

Yes  No

If "Yes", explain:

Name of Business	Your Relationship to Business	Business Relationship to Agency

Have members of your immediate family (spouse, child, parents(s), siblings(s)), or businesses of which members of your immediate family have been owners, officers, or employees, held any contractual or other direct dealings during the last four (4) years with any state or local governmental agency in Florida, including the office or agency to which you have been appointed or are seeking appointment?

Yes  No

If "Yes", explain:

Name of Business	Relationship to You	Relationship to Business	Business Relationship to Agency

Have you ever been a registered lobbyist or have you lobbied at any level of government at any time during the past five (5) years? Yes  No

(1) Did you receive any compensation other than reimbursement for expenses? Yes  No

(2) Name of agency or entity you lobbied and the principal(s) you represented:

Agency Lobbied

Principal Represented

Are there any possible conflicts of interest that could affect your ability to serve as a gubernatorial appointee?

None

If you agree, please type or write your initials for each of the following statements:

(1) If appointed, I agree to follow, as applicable to the position, Florida's public records and open meeting laws. GHD

(2) If appointed, I agree to follow, as applicable to the position, the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees, Part III, Chapter 112, F.S. GHD

#### Section 4- References and Experience

State your experiences and interests or elements of your personal history that qualify you for this appointment:

Combat veteran, Command Chief Warrant Officer of the Florida National Guard, and Captain, Saint John's County Sheriffs office have given me numerous leadership opportunities to which I have excelled. I have always put the organization first to ensure everyone within succeeds. Being a team player has always been priority one and will continue as the next county commissioner of Saint John's County.

Please list specifically any degree(s), professional certification(s), or designations(s) related to the subject matter of this appointment:

Command Chief Warrant Officer, Florida Army National Guard

Captain, Saint John's County Sheriffs Office

Executive Committee of the Saint John's County Veterans Council

Please list any awards or recognitions you have received relating to the subject matter of this appointment:

N/A



Please identify all association memberships and offices (including any business, professional, occupational, civic, or fraternal organizations) you have held or hold relating in the last 10 years:

Name of the Association	Role	Dates of Membership
Fraternal Order of Police.	Member.	1997-2012
Executive Committee Saint John's County Veterans Council.		2019-present
Association United States Army.	Member.	2009-present
Military Officer Association of America	Member.	2017-present

Do you know of any reason why you will not be able to attend fully to the duties of the office or position to which you have been or will be appointed? Yes  No

If "Yes", explain:

List three persons who have known you well within the past five (5) years. Include a current telephone number. Exclude your relatives and members of the Florida Senate.

Name	Organization	Phone Number
Sheriff Rob Hardwick.	Saint John's County Sheriffs Office.	[REDACTED]
MG James Eifert.	Florida National Guard.	904-481-6387
MG John Haas.	Florida National Guard.	904-814-0000

In the following space, please explain why you want to serve as a gubernatorial appointee and share anything else that you think may be helpful:

As a retired Army officer and combat veteran I offer my experience, knowledge and demonstrated leadership to the citizens and visitors of Saint John's County. I bring a diverse mix of organizational, situational, and leadership to the Board of County Commissioners. I am a tested and proven leader with exceptional people skills and an in depth knowledge of Saint John's County. My 42 years as a aviation warrant officer have given me the awareness, strategic insight and lasting reputation to serve the the people of Saint John's County. I would treasure the prospect of giving back to the community and I have the strength and vision to lead this county into the future.

## Section 5- Certification and Signature

I understand that any appointment tendered to me will be contingent upon the results of a background investigation, and I am aware that withholding information or making false statements on this application may be the basis for non-appointment by the Executive Office of the Governor and criminal penalties. I agree to these conditions, and I declare that I have read the foregoing application and any attachments and the facts stated within them are true, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

By checking this box and typing my name below I am electronically signing my application and understand that an electronic signature has the same force and effect as a written signature.

/s/ Gerald                      H                      Dedge                      \_\_\_\_\_  
First Name                      Middle Initial                      Last Name                      Suffix

***Please save this document to upload with your board application.***

*If you have any questions, please call (850) 717-9243 or email [Appointments@eog.mvflorida.com](mailto:Appointments@eog.mvflorida.com)*

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