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**Profile**

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Ducks Unlimited

Employer

Regional Biologist

Job Title

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**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

Environmental Lands Acquisition Panel: Submitted

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**How long have you been a resident of Indian River County?**

2.5yrs

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**Are you a full-time or part-time resident? Select one. \*** Full Time

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**Please list current employer or businesses. If retired, please list any business experience that may be applicable to the committee.**

I am the Florida Regional Biologist for Ducks Unlimited (DU), the non-profit world leader in wetlands conservation established in 1937 ([www.ducks.org](http://www.ducks.org)). I conduct wetland acquisition and restoration projects throughout Florida and most projects are grant-funded.

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**Please list any licenses you presently hold:**

Not applicable

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**Please list any organization of which you are currently a member:**

Ducks Unlimited (DU); Southeast Estuarine Research Society

**Please list any other committees or boards you currently sit on:**

Northeast FL Estuarine Restoration Team (Steering Team member); East Central Estuarine Restoration Team (Steering Team member); Atlantic Coast Fish Habitat Partnership (DU rep); Restoration Coordination and Verification (RECOVER) (Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan) Northern Estuaries Fish SubTeam (DU rep)

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**Interests & Experiences**

**Why are you interested in serving on a board or commission?**

Prior to moving to IRC 2.5 years ago, i lived in St Lucie County for for 23 years. Following 27 years as a public servant with FDEP and FWC working primarily in the IRL region on fish habitat and water quality projects, I am keenly aware and concerned about the issues facing the IRL proper and its watershed. With my new job with Ducks Unlimited, my work has further expanded into the watershed including public and private land. Florida and IRC are at a crossroads regarding the need for applying smart growth principles to preserve habitats, species, and quality of life for its citizens. Clearly, the county residents have spoken through the bond referendum approval that many share this vision. IRC is strategically located within the watersheds of both the IRL and the upper St Johns River Basin with numerous areas already conserved through fee simple acquisition and conservation easements. I believe my experience and expertise can lend insight to future conservation objectives. Also, the resources available from Ducks Unlimited could foster additional partnerships to leverage county funds with other available funding sources. I have been given permission from my leadership to complete this application as we believe strongly that this board aligns well with our strategic mission. Other DU staff in Florida occupy seats on teams associated with the Florida Wildlife Corridor initiative.

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**Demographics**

**Political Party**

Independent

02/22/1968

Date of Birth

**Race (Used for State Reporting) \***

Caucasian

**Do you have a government recognized disability? (Used for State reporting information)**

Yes  No