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April 24, 2023

Honorable City Council  
Newton City Hall  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02459

To the Honorable City Councilors:

I am pleased to reappoint Stuart Snyder of 30 Erie Avenue, Newton Highlands 02461 as a full member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. His term of office shall expire on April 30, 2026 and his appointment is subject to your confirmation.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Warmly,

Ruthanne Fuller  
Mayor

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Application Form

Profile

Stuart L. Snyder
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

[Redacted]
Email Address

P.O. Box 610151
Home Address Suite or Apt

NEWTON HIGHLANDS MA 02461
City State Postal Code

What Ward do you live in?

[X] Ward 6

[Redacted] [Redacted]
Primary Phone Alternate Phone

Stuart L. Snyder, P.C. Attorney
Employer Job Title

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Zoning Board of Appeals: Submitted

Interests & Experiences

Please tell us about yourself and why you want to serve.

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

I have lived in the City of Newton for over 30 years - in Newtonville, Newton Centre, and Newton Highlands. My wife, Abby Cohen, and I have stayed in Newton and raised our two girls here because we believe Newton represents the best of the greater Boston area. Newton is progressive and practical, forward thinking about the future yet sensitive to its history. However, no city or town is successful without the active participation of those who care about it most - its residents. That is why, as you can see from my resume, I have volunteered to be a part of various aspects of city life. I have enjoyed them all and have enjoyed the people I have worked alongside. I was previously an alternate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals ("ZBA") and I have enjoyed my tenure as a full member. I enjoy the work the ZBA does, and I believe my experience as a real estate attorney allows me to bring an informed, practical perspective to the hearings on which I sit. I would be pleased to be considered for reappointment.

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## STUART L. SNYDER

Home:  
30 Erie Avenue  
Newton, Massachusetts 02461

Office:  
110 Cedar Street, Suite 250  
Wellesley, Massachusetts 02481

### Professional Experience

Law Office of Stuart L. Snyder, P.C., Wellesley, MA

1996 to present

- Residential and commercial real estate transactions: buyer/seller representation; preparation/review of offers and purchase and sale agreements; compliance with time-sensitive pre-closing and post-closing lender documentation requirements and correspondent instructions (purchases and refinances); review of title reports; identification/resolution of title clouds and defects; examination of surveys/mortgage inspections; preparation of zoning opinions; negotiation with title insurance companies regarding risk and coverage – drafting affirmative policy language and exceptions to coverage; 1031 exchanges.
- Preparation/review of condominium documents.
- Title insurance issuing agent for Old Republic National Title Insurance Company. Also have been an agent for Lawyers Title Insurance Company, Ticor Title Insurance Company, and First American Title Insurance Company.
- Residential/commercial landlord/tenant matters: preparation/review of residential and commercial leases; advice regarding landlord/tenant rights/responsibilities; dozens of residential Summary Process cases, including trials in District Court and Housing Court.
- Client representation before municipal boards.
- Chapter 93A consumer protections claims.
- Managed two offices, including as many as four paralegals/support staff.

Law Office of Goldman & Goldman, Swampscott, MA

1991 to 1996

- Civil Litigation: responsible for client representation in lawsuits arising from all areas of firm's general practice, including: banking matters; condominium fee collections; landlord/tenant matters; claims against estates; individual and corporate matters. Tried and won first Superior Court jury trial.
- Real Estate: represented individual clients and lenders in closings for residential and commercial transactions. Conducted foreclosures.

Law Office of Englander & Soho, Newton, MA

1990 to 1991

- As sole associate of two partners, involved at all levels in litigation of diverse matters stemming from general practice focused on civil litigation, domestic relations, and real estate. Appeared in court for trials, pre-trial conferences, and motions. Met with clients, negotiated with opposing counsel, conducted legal research, attended depositions, and drafted litigation related documents.

Trained Mediator

- Completed forty hours of mediation training in accordance with M.G.L. ch. 233, § 23C with Mediation Works, Inc., Boston, MA in March, 2008.

Bar Membership

U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts, 1991  
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, 1990

Education

Suffolk University Law School, Boston, MA  
J.D., 1990

Honors: ATLA National Trial Team, Regional Semi-Finalist  
Third Year Mock Trial Competition, Semi-Finalist  
First Year Moot Court Competition, Best Oral Advocate

Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs, NY

B.A., English/Philosophy, 1986

Honors: Dean's List

Activities: Social Integrity Board, Appointed Chairperson  
Academic Integrity Board, Elected Member

Volunteer Work

Newton Girls Soccer, former Coach/Grade Coordinator

West End House Camp, Inc., Vice President/trustee/member of Board of Directors

West End House Girls Camp, Inc., former President/member of Board of Directors

Congregation Dorshei Tzedek, former member of Board of Directors/Chair of Space Committee

City of Newton, Human Rights Commission, former member

City of Newton, Planning and Development Board, former Alternate Member

City of Newton, Zoning Board of Appeals, former Alternate Member