



BOARD AND COMMISSION APPLICATION

GREENVILLE COUNTY HISTORIC AND NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST

The Greenville County Historic and Natural Resources Trust meets on an as needed basis at 301 University Ridge, Greenville.

Personal Information

Name:	Nia Thomas		
Prefix:	Mrs.	Birthdate:	
Home Address:		City/State/Zip:	
Email:		Phone #:	
Voter Registration #:		Driver's License #:	
Employer:		Occupation:	
Highest Degree Earned:		School Attended:	
Year of Graduation:		Field of Study:	
Linked In Profile:		Social Media Profile:	

Experience / Certifications / Interest

Military Experience:

NA

Certifications:

B.A. Secondary Education
M.S. Environmental Resource Management
Certified Industrial Hygienist (In-training)

Civic Organizations / Other Affiliations:

VP Upstate Chapter SC Native Plant Society

Volunteer Experience (please list and describe):

SCNPS- 5+ Years of experience volunteering in the greenhouse, with plant sales, invasive species removal and public education events.

My interest in serving on the GREENVILLE COUNTY HISTORIC AND NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST is:

Help protect and preserve our county's natural resources, including historical mills and farms, bridges, buildings, parks, greenspaces and forests.

Describe your understanding of the position for which you are applying:

Members of the trust serve as fiscal stewards of funding that can be used to help landowners place their properties of significant cultural (historical, natural, recreational) value into a conservation easement or simple fee purchase. If the trust is granted funding from the county, there are strict policies and procedures set forth to ensure the funds are managed responsibly and allocated to the projects that meet strict criteria ensure the best outcomes for the future of the county.

Describe your strengths or skills that would positively contribute to the GREENVILLE COUNTY HISTORIC AND NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST:

Familiarity with land conservation easements, historical mill preservation, attention to detail, fiscal responsibility, love of the outdoors.

My community topics of concern that relate to the GREENVILLE COUNTY HISTORIC AND NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST are:

As a member of the board my personal interests are not allowed to influence decisions, and board members are required to recuse themselves from any matters of conflicting interest. I would evaluate each proposal according to the standards set forth in the roles & responsibilities.

Qualifiers / Areas of Expertise

Please select the seat for which you are applying:

- Board member or executive officer of a charitable corporation
- Owner of rural real property actively farmed
- Active engagement in the real estate business, appraising of farm/forest lands; banking/accounting or real estate/land use law
- Active engagement in historic/cultural preservation

Other elected or appointed offices / Ethics / Legal

Do you currently hold an elected or appointed office or commission?

If yes, please list:

Yes No

Have you previously held an elected or appointed office or commission?

If yes, please list:

Yes No

Have you ever been fined for an ethics violation?

If yes, please explain:

Yes No

Have you ever been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation?

If yes, please give details:

Yes No

Are you currently, or have you ever been, a part or party to any litigation with or against Greenville County?

If yes, please explain:

Yes No

Additional Questions

Would you be willing to submit to a criminal background check and/or credit check?

Yes No

Are you aware of the meeting schedule and time commitment for the GREENVILLE COUNTY HISTORIC AND NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST?

Yes No

Have you attended a meeting of the GREENVILLE COUNTY HISTORIC AND NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST?

Yes No

Are you aware of the County's attendance policy as it relates to boards and commissions?

Yes No

Are you aware this is not a compensated position?

Yes No

Conflict of Interest

It is the policy of Greenville County to require disclosure of any personal or financial interest that may be influenced by decisions of the Committee, Board or Commission for which any citizen applies for membership.

Do you or a member of your immediate family provide goods and/or services to this board?

If yes, please explain:

Yes No

Do you or a member of your immediate family receive direct services from this board?

If yes, please explain:

Yes No

Do you or a member of your immediate family financially benefit from the actions of this board?

If yes, please explain:

Yes No

Does your employer provide goods and/or services to this board? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

Does your employer receive direct services from this board? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

Does your employer financially benefit from the actions of this board? Yes No
If yes, please explain:

Statement of Agreement and Understanding

Electronic Signature Agreement. By selecting the "Submit" button, you are signing this Application electronically (e-signature), you agree your "e-signature" is the legal equivalent of your manual signature on this Application. Additionally, you agree to and attest to the following:

All information contained in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

I understand it is my responsibility to insure my application is submitted within the application period and that it has been received by the County Council office.

I have read the Greenville County Board and Commission Policy and I understand the rules of conduct for the seat for which I am applying.

I understand my lack of attendance for three (3) consecutive meetings or 25% of all regular scheduled meetings within a year may result in my removal from the board.

I understand that I serve at the pleasure of County Council and all appointments are subject to the Ethics, Government Accountability, and Campaign Reform Act, S.C. Code Ann. Section 8-13-100 et. seq., and any member appointed to a board or commission whose action is inconsistent or may be perceived to be inconsistent with the spirit or intent of the Act may be subject for removal.

I understand that information provided in this application may be subject to South Carolina Freedom of Information disclosure.

Signature: Nia Thomas

Date: 3/20/2026

Applicants are encouraged to notify their representing Council Member of their interest to be considered for a desired board seat.