

APPLICATION (INCLUDING ATTACHMENTS) FOR  
INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

Answer all items in print or type. Attach additional sheets as needed to answer completely.

FULL NAME Linda Buscemi

SPOUSE'S NAME (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS 4044 E. Western Star Blvd

CITY Phoenix STATE Arizona ZIP 85044

COUNTY OF RESIDENCE Maricopa RESIDENT OF ARIZONA SINCE 1999

EMPLOYER SCAN health plan TITLE Behavioral health Coordinator

OFFICE ADDRESS 1313 E. Osborn Rd OFFICE PHONE 602-778-3363

CITY Phoenix STATE Arizona ZIP 85014

EDUCATION: Include name(s) of institution(s) and year diploma(s) or degree(s) received.

Oakland University 1996 BA Psychology

Oakland University 1998 MA Counseling

List **all** political activities for **at least** the past ten years. Include dates of service and indicate **all** offices held in any organization. (Use attachment if necessary.)

Contributions to Campaigns for

Greg Stanton

Wes Gullett

Robert Meza

Mike Snitz

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List **all** professional and occupational memberships for **at least** the past ten years. Include dates of service and indicate **all** offices held in any organization. Please include honors, awards and other forms of recognition. (Use attachment if necessary.)

Human Rights Campaign since April 2011

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List **all** civic and community service activities for **at least** the past ten years. Include dates of service and indicate **all** offices held in any organization. Please include honors, awards and other forms of recognition. (Use attachment if necessary.)

Chair of AZ Hearing Task Force

Since March 2011

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**ATTACH A RESUME OR BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT. Applications that do not include a resume or biographical statement will be considered incomplete and will NOT be considered for nomination.**

**ATTACH A STATEMENT OF INTEREST EXPLAINING WHY YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING ON THE INDEPENDENT REDISTRICTING COMMISSION. Applications that do not include a statement of interest will be considered incomplete and will NOT be considered for nomination.**

**COMPLETELY ANSWER ALL OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:**

1. Are you committed to applying the provisions of the Arizona Constitution, Article IV, Part 2, Section 1 in an honest, independent and impartial fashion, and to upholding public confidence in the integrity of the redistricting process? Yes  No

2. Will your employment and/or personal circumstances permit you to attend meetings of the Independent Redistricting Commission in their entirety? Yes  No ( )
3. Are you a registered Arizona voter? Yes  No ( )
4. Have you been continuously registered for at least the past three years with the same political party or as unaffiliated with a political party? Yes  No ( ) If no, attach explanation.

Indicate political registration for the past three years: not declared - Independent

5. During the past three years, have you:
- been appointed to, elected to, or a candidate for any other public office, including precinct committeeman or committeewoman, but not including school board member or officer? Yes ( ) No
  - served as an officer of a political party or as an officer of a candidate's campaign committee? Yes ( ) No
  - served as a registered paid lobbyist? Yes ( ) No

If your answer to any part of this question is "Yes," attach an explanation.

6. Is there any possible conflict of interest or other matter that would create problems or prevent you from fairly and impartially discharging your duties as an appointee to the Independent Redistricting Commission? Yes ( ) No  If your answer is "Yes," attach an explanation.
7. Are you now an officer, director, or majority stockholder, or otherwise engaged in the management, of any business enterprise? Yes ( ) No
- If your answer is "Yes," give details by attachment, including the name of the enterprise, the nature of the business, the title and description of your position, the nature of your duties, and the term of your service.
8. If your parents, siblings, spouse, or children are employed or engaged in any business or profession, state (by attachment) their names and the name and address of their employer or the business in which they are engaged. see attached
9. Have you filed your state or federal income tax returns for all years you were legally required to file them? Yes  No ( ) If your answer is "No," explain by attachment.
10. Have you paid all state, federal and local taxes when due? Yes  No ( ) If your answer is "No," explain by attachment.
11. Have you ever violated a court order including but not limited to an order for payment of child or spousal support? Yes ( ) No  If your answer is "Yes," explain by attachment.
12. Have you ever been expelled, terminated, or suspended from any employment or school or course of learning on account of plagiarism, cheating, or any other "cause" that might reflect in any way on your integrity? Yes ( ) No  If your answer is "Yes," explain by attachment.

13. Are you, in any jurisdiction, currently charged with or have you ever been arrested for, convicted of, or pleaded guilty to any felony, misdemeanor (excluding civil traffic violations), or violation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice? Yes ( ) No () If your answer is "Yes," explain by attachment.
14. If you performed military service, please indicate the date and type of discharge. If other than honorable discharge, explain by attachment. *not applicable*
15. List and describe by attachment any litigation involving an allegation of fraud in which you are or were a defendant. *not applicable*
16. In the past year, have you ever been reprimanded, demoted, disciplined, placed on probation, suspended, or terminated by an employer as a result of your alleged consumption of alcohol, prescription drugs, or use of illegal drugs? Yes ( ) No () If your answer is "Yes," explain by attachment the circumstances under which such action was taken, the name(s) of any persons who took such action, and the background and resolution of such action.
17. Have you failed to vote in any general election held during the past eight years? Yes ( ) No () If your answer is "Yes," explain by attachment.
18. Have you ever refused to submit to a test to determine whether you had consumed and/or were under the influence of alcohol or drugs? Yes ( ) No () If your answer is "Yes," state the date you were requested to submit to such a test, type of test requested, the name of the entity requesting that you submit to the test, the outcome of your refusal and the reason you refused to submit to such a test.
19. Within the last five years, have you ever been formally reprimanded, demoted, disciplined, placed on probation, suspended or terminated by an employer? Yes ( ) No () If your answer is "Yes," state the circumstances under which such action was taken, the date(s) such action was taken, the name(s) of any persons who took such action, and the background and resolution of such action.
20. Has a judgment or finding that you failed to comply with the substantive requirements of any business or contractual arrangement, including but not limited to bankruptcy proceedings, ever been entered against you? Yes ( ) No () If your answer is "Yes," explain by attachment.
21. List by attachment all elected or appointed offices that you have held and/or for which you have been a candidate, and the dates. *not applicable*
22. Provide any additional information relative to your application or qualifications you would like to bring to our attention at this time. *see attached*

**BY SIGNATURE OF THIS APPLICATION:**

If appointed to the Independent Redistricting Commission I understand I will be ineligible for Arizona public office or for registration as a paid lobbyist during my term on the Independent Redistricting Commission and for three years thereafter, pursuant to the Arizona Constitution, Article IV, Part 2, Section 1.

I have reviewed the constitutional requirements governing the Independent Redistricting Commission and attest that I meet those requirements.

I authorize investigation of all of my responses to this application and further authorize the references listed in the confidential section of this Application to give you any and all information concerning my qualifications they may have, personal or otherwise, and release all parties from all liability for any damages that may result from furnishing information to you.

I understand that the Commission which reviews my application may or may not conduct an interview, and may make its decision based on my responses to this Application and any due diligence.

The statements contained in this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

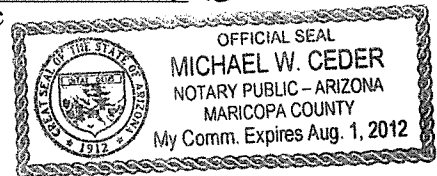
SIGNATURE *Linda Buscemi* DATE 11-14-11

State of Arizona )  
County of MARICOPA ) ss.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14<sup>TH</sup> day of NOVEMBER, 2011, by LINDA BUSCEMI.

*Michael W. Ceder*  
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: 8/1/2012



**OPTIONAL SECTION**

*The Commission on Appellate Court Appointments strives for diversity in its appointments. Therefore, in this optional section, we ask you to consider providing us with information that will help us evaluate our progress in achieving this goal.*

RACE/ETHNICITY:  WHITE (Not Hispanic)  NATIVE AMERICAN  
 HISPANIC  ASIAN/PACIFIC ISLANDER  
 BLACK

GENDER:  MALE  FEMALE

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED AT THE ADDRESS BELOW BY 5:00 P.M. ON NOVEMBER 15, 2011. LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**

**RETURN TO:** Commission on Appellate Court Appointments  
Attn: Annette Corallo  
1501 West Washington, Suite 221  
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

**Question #8 -Answer**

**Father - John Buscemi**

Whole Foods Employee  
2955 West Ray Road  
Chandler, AZ 85224

**Sister - Carol Buscemi**

Macomb Intermediate School District – Bus Driver  
44001 Garfield Rd  
Clinton Twp, MI 48038

**Sister - Gina Jernukian**

Mark Kay Cosmetics  
4103 E. Andrea Dr.  
Cave Creek, AZ 85331

# Linda Buscemi

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## **Highlighted Professional Achievements:**

- Developed the Quality Management Manual in accordance to State and Federal Regulations and Clinical Lead for obtaining CARF accreditation for an Outpatient Substance Abuse Clinic.
- Assisted in the network and clinical development of a lower level of care for long term care patients with behavioral issues.
- Participated in the development and training of protocols for several state agencies in accordance to a public lawsuit.

## **Professional Experience:**

*October 2006- Current SCAN Health Plan (Long Term Care) Phoenix, AZ*

### **Behavioral Health Coordinator**

Responsible for ensuring SCAN members are receiving quality behavioral health services which includes building a strong, diverse and demographically convenient provider network. Provide consultation to 60 case managers and for all departments. Develop new and innovated ways to provide quality care and keep members as independent as possible. Build, run, and monitor reports to ensure all timelines are met according to ADHS. Provide education to contracted providers. Ensure daily claims are authorized and paid appropriately. Provide presentations as needed.

*October 2004-September 2006 Prehab of Arizona Glendale, AZ*

### **Clinical Director- Clinical Supervisor**

Provide Clinical Supervision to all agency therapists, including monitoring client progress and appropriate case documentation. Responsible for supervision of clinical staff, including hiring, performance evaluations and disciplinary actions. Responsible for implementation of Quality Management and submission of required reports. Responsible for outpatient Utilization Management or care coordination at CSP level. Responsible for ongoing staff development and training activities. Determine priority for program components in conjunction with Program Manager and Program Director.

*July 2003-October 2004 ValueOptions Phoenix, AZ*

### **Stakeholder Liaison**

Assists in communications between all stakeholders, including CPS, Juvenile Probation and Parole, contracted Mental Health Agencies, Public Schools. Promote and educate community on RBHA services. Ensures consumer services are appropriate and expedited. Ensure services are available to all public schools. Assist in developing forms and procedures for court appearances. Analysis of customer service complaints and issue resolutions on identifying gaps in services and better flow distribution for previous year. Participant of the Educational Subcommittee, which served as a campaign to educate school administrators of the State standard procedures and to incorporate mental health services in schools. Responsible for providing issue resolutions to nine CPS sites and Juvenile Detention centers on the West Side of the county. Maintain daily reports on system trends for all stakeholders. Conduct monthly training for new hires at CPS. Conduct training to probation officers. Assisting in protocol development for MCJPD, ADJC, CPS and DDD.

*October 2002- July 2003 ValueOptions Phoenix, AZ*

### **Access Line Clinician**

Refer Consumers to providers that best fit their mental health needs. Ensure that referrals from Health Plans are completed properly. Maintain and track information on Health Plan Referral processes. Part of the HIPAA compliance team, ensuring standards are met. Gather and implement data for ECT authorizations.

*May 1999-April 2001- October 2002 Community Medical Services Phoenix, AZ*

**Associate Program Director/ Clinical Director**

Assist in day to day operation of 6 clinics. Acting Director in absence of Program Director/VP. Liaison between State funding agencies and State Licensing Department, ensuring contractual performance agreements are met. Ensure all clinic forms adhere to State and Federal Licensing standards. Oversee Policy and Procedures, counseling activities, and Quality Management. Interact with all provider agencies in a professional manner. Clinical lead in CARF accreditation process. Oversee all clinical operations, including clinical policies and procedures. Administer psychological assessments. Chairperson for the Quality Management Team. Provide daily and weekly supervision for 14 employees at all sites. Provide trainings for staff. Ensure client satisfaction, interventions, and rights.

*July 1998-March 1999 New Oakland Child Adolescent & Family Center Davisburg, MI*

**Testing Psychologist**

Administer and Assess psychological evaluations for children in an outpatient program. Responsible for administering psychological evaluations for an average of seven clients per week. Report includes recommendations on how to cope with the diagnostic findings. Present findings and recommendations at weekly conference. Assisted in development of an educational program.

**Education:**

Oakland University, Rochester, MI

Masters of Arts Counseling, (60 credits) CACREP approved, April, 1998

Bachelors of Arts Psychology, June, 1996

Specialization: Advanced Mental Health

**\*Licensure/ Certification:**

Licensed Professional Counselor, September 1999

National Certified Counselor, June 1998

**Volunteer work:**

Chair of the AZ Hoarding Task Force

November 15, 2011

Commission on Appellate Court Appointments  
Attn: Annette Corallo  
1501 W. Washington, Suite 221  
Phoenix, AZ 85007

Re: Application for the Independent Redistricting Commission

To Whom It May Concern:

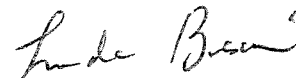
I am writing this statement as part of my application for the position of chair of the Arizona Independent Redistricting Commission. I have lived in Arizona for 12 years, working in the mental health field pursuing my commitment to affecting positive change in our country's healthcare field. Over that time, I have come to understand the importance of citizen-led redistricting in Arizona.

I am currently engaged in a Ph.D program at Grand Canyon University and plan to utilize my degree to improve our mental health system. I also strongly believe in the original intent of Proposition 106 - citizen control of the redistricting process. The public must step up and ensure that this citizen-powered panel accomplishes the difficult task put before them.

It is my belief that this commission will operate most effectively with a chair whose sincerity as an independent and ability to work open-mindedly with both Republicans and Democrats is beyond reproach. My commitment to working with both sides of the aisle to carry out the redistricting process in an honest, independent, and impartial manner is my greatest strength as a commission applicant. My allegiance is to a fair and constitutional redistricting process - not to predetermined outcomes for one party or the other.

Serving as the chair of this commission is an enormous undertaking that I am fully prepared to commit significant time and energy to. The public deserves a truly independent voice in the redistricting process, and I am humbly willing to take on that burden.

Sincerely,



Linda Buscemi