

Applications For Nomination for Appointment

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To Missy Seivers <missy.seivers@ashecountygov.com>; Adam Stumb <adam.stumb@ashecountygov.com>

Missy,

Dr. Richard W. Hilliard, and Dr. Darin Hodges. Please add to the next commissioners agenda.

Thank you,

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County of Ashe
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**APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION
FOR APPOINTMENT TO:**

Ashe County Airport Advisory Board

Board, Commission, or Committee

DATE: 11 September 2025

NAME: Richard Wayne Hilliard Jr.

PHONE: [REDACTED]

ADDRESS: [REDACTED]
Timber River Estates (Land Parcel) - Lansing, NC

BUSINESS ADDRESS: [REDACTED] Jefferson, NC 28640

PHONE: [REDACTED]

COUNTY BOARDS OR COMMITTEES PRESENTLY SERVING ON:

Not currently serving

BUSINESS AND CIVIC EXPERIENCE:

Retired Army Special Forces (30 years), Active Emergency Physician - Ashe Memorial Hospital,

Bluehill Health and Wellness (Primary Care Medicine), Jefferson, NC

Raptor Medical LLC (Gov Contracted Medical Training)

PLEASE STATE REASON WHY YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE ON THIS

BOARD/COMMITTEE: I have a strong background in aviation and with government contracting both as a government employee and as a civilian providing services to the government. I would like to assist in the long-term improvements of the Ashe County Airport.

For the purpose of diversity and balance on Ashe County's boards and committees, please complete the following:

Race [REDACTED] I am a resident of the City/Town of Southern Pines, NC (soon Lansing, NC)

I have been a resident of Ashe County for 8 years.

Richard W. Hilliard Jr

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Signature of Applicant
I understand that this application will be
kept on active file for one year only.



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**APPLICATION FOR NOMINATION
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Ashe Co. Airport Advisory Board
Board, Commission, or Committee

DATE: 5/14/26

NAME: Darwin Hodges

PHONE: 828-

ADDRESS: [Redacted]
West Jefferson, NC 28694

BUSINESS ADDRESS: same

PHONE: _____

COUNTY BOARDS OR COMMITTEES PRESENTLY SERVING ON:

N/A

BUSINESS AND CIVIC EXPERIENCE:

owner Hodges Tree Ranch, LLC, Assistant Professor @ App State,
President, Ashe Christmas Tree Association, Member NC Christmas Trees Board

PLEASE STATE REASON WHY YOU WOULD LIKE TO SERVE ON THIS

BOARD/COMMITTEE: Aircraft + Hangar Owner - interested in the continued
development & operations of the airport.

For the purpose of diversity and balance on Ashe County's boards and committees, please complete the following:

Residence: [Redacted] I am a resident of the City/Town of N/A (Idlewood)

I have been a resident of Ashe County for 45 years.

[Signature]

Signature of Applicant
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