

## Nominations Committee – Letter of Interest

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

Name: Allen White

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Local Group or Virtual Group: Ohio North SQL Server Users Group

1. How many years have you been a member of PASS?

17 years

2. Briefly detail leadership roles you have held with PASS.

Led the Ohio North group for about 10 years, then served 3 years on the PASS Board of Directors.

Led 3 Cleveland SQL Saturdays, served 3 years on the PASS NomCom, including one year as the chair.

3. Outline leadership roles, or other professional boards, that you have served on.

Served as Treasurer for the Cleveland West Road Runners Club in the early 1990s, served on the Finance Committee for my school district Strategic Planning initiative in 1995 and as co-chair of the Public Relations committee for the same initiative in 1996, followed by 12 years on the Board for the Brunswick Education Foundation (which is the fundraising arm of the local school district.)

4. Why do you want to serve on the PASS NomCom?

It's critical that the candidates for the PASS Board have the necessary experience, objectivity, and passion for the SQL Server community that PASS serves. In my time on the PASS Board and on the NomCom I've seen a number of candidates who had specific agendas that were contrary to the mission of PASS, and it's important to the process to ensure that the NomCom presents candidates who have the well-being of PASS first and foremost in their intentions.

5. Briefly describe how you could bring diversity to this committee.

While I'm an old white male, I abhor the position of privilege assumed by those like me. I've worked hard to get women and people of color involved in both user group activity as well as to run for the PASS Board. I've been successful in a few cases, less so in others, but continue to try to get a diverse group of candidates involved both at the committee and at the Board level.

## **SIGNATURE**

"I, Allen White, hereby certify, on this date, August 24, 2020, that all information I have provided, or will provide, in this document is true.

By adding your name to this contract, you signify that you understand and agree to all the terms of the above as written. This acts as your transcribed signature.