Form Name: Citizens Commission   Submission Time: March 28, 2019 10:06 pm	
Name	Ann Shea
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Citizenship Affirmation	I am a U.S. Citizen
Residency Affirmation	I am a resident of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Statement of Intent	I intend to comply with and advance the policy established by this Act.
Statement of Interest	I'm writing to offer my services to the Citizens Commission. For 30 years, I taught middle school English and history, including the writing of the U.S. Constitution, a document I revere. Presently I'm a graduate student in professional writing at UMass Dartmouth. In January, 2017, I participated in the Women's March on Washington, an experience that inspired me to become politically active. After careful observation, I realized that the Supreme Court's Citizens United decision is having a detrimental effect on our entire political system, and in conjunction with my graduate communication studies, I decided to research the source of the problem. My report was illustrated with a number of political cartoons. I began with Puck magazine's1889 cartoon "The Bosses of the Senate" which depicts "Monopolists" standing in the Senate's back row, looking over the shoulders of Senators as they conduct The People's business. Tellingly, the Senate's door to The People's Gallery is barred, and The People's seats are empty. In 1889, neither The People nor The People's elected representatives ran the country. Instead, "Monopolists" wielded all the power. Since then, in spite of efforts to limit the influence of Big Money, little has changed. Today, Big Money impacts every act of government. Neither political party is blameless. Sanctioned by the Supreme Court, exorbitant spending has diminished the value of each citizen's vote. I'd very much like to help to restore The People's republic.
Résumé or Summary of Qualification Upload	https://s3.amazonaws.com/files.formstack.com/uploads/3282862/71887710 /489621385/71887710_generic_resume_2019.doc
Political Party Affiliation, if any, over previous five years	the Democratic
Clty or Town where you reside	SANDWICH

Employment Status	Employed
Occupation	Part time reading tutor
Employer	Town of Sandwich

#### **ANN SHEA**



# **Highlights of Qualifications**

- > 30 years Middle School English and History Teacher
- > Able to collaborate with a team, encouraging individual excellence
  - Strong researcher, writer, and communicator
    - Excellent time management skills

## **Work History**

2014 – present **Reading Tutor** (part time) Oak Ridge School, Sandwich, MA

1984 - 2014 Middle School English and History Teacher

Clinton Middle School, Clinton, MA Manomet School, Plymouth, MA South School, Plymouth, MA Forestdale School, Sandwich, MA

# Education

2016 – 2019 **UMass Dartmouth Graduate Student** Professional Writing and Communication Program

## Lesley University and Bridgewater University

40+ Graduate Credits

#### University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA

BA Education, Magna Cum Laude

### **Volunteer Work**

Sandwich Reads Together MA People Govern, Not Money