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Citizens Commission
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Name	Joseph Smith
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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	<p>I am concerned by the erosion of the power of average citizens at the expense of moneyed interests. Money is not equal to free speech because each of us does not have equal access to money, while each of us has a voice. We now have a situation where legislation and policies are created only to serve moneyed and corporate interests while the will of the people is ignored. Politicians now spend most of their time raising money instead of governing. We are supposed to be a country founded on principles of justice, fairness, and the common wealth, but money has perverted everything. Most importantly it has eroded the connection between the citizen and their country, causing people to become apathetic and uninvolved, because they feel that they are powerless and irrelevant. If we continue in this direction this great experiment in democracy will fail. Now is a critical time. I believe each of us needs to be actively involved in our communities and our government. This initiative creates an opportunity for opinions that have been silenced to be heard. I wish to be involved because I believe that this is the most important issue facing us today and, for the sake of my family and community, I want to work for a better future.</p>
Résumé or Summary of Qualifications Upload	https://s3.amazonaws.com/files.formstack.com/uploads/3282862/71887710/478744297/71887710_jksmith_resume_2018.pdf
Political Party Affiliation, if any, over the previous five years	Unenrolled
City or Town where you reside	PHILLIPSTON
Employment Status	Employed
Occupation	forester

Employer

self-employed

Joseph Kimball Smith

EDUCATION: Bachelor of Science (Forestry), University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA, 1977

LICENSES: Massachusetts Licensed Forester

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

2018-present *President, Woodsman, Inc.*
President of environmental consulting firm specializing in forest stewardship, baseline documentation, monitoring of protected properties, and boundary delineation. Coordinate work of 2 full-time and 1 part-time employees and manage multiple contracts and projects.

2010-2017 *Environmental Consultant, Self-employed*
Monitoring and documenting agricultural and forested properties with conservation restrictions; assist forest product and forest management businesses in attaining and managing forest management and chain of custody certifications; Boundary research and marking; and, providing forest management services to private landowners.

2007-2009 *The Trust to Conserve Northeast Forestlands, New Gloucester, Maine*
Director of Industry Services
Managed Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) group Forest Management (FM) and Chain of Custody (COC) certificates. Developed program guidelines and procedures. Grew FM group from 1,500 to 160,000 acres in one year and COC group from 4 members to 24. Successfully facilitated two audits of both certificates.

1996-2007 *Mount Wachusett Community College, Gardner, Massachusetts*
Director, The Forest and Wood Products Institute (2001-2007)
Associate Director, The Forest and Wood Products Institute (1996-2001)
Developed and implemented programs that provided training and marketing assistance to the forest products industry. Supervised staff of three professionals. Created logger certification and Established Sustainable Forestry Initiative sanctioned Logger Education program serving Southern New England. Supervised research of alternative uses for local wood products; and acquired grant funding to support Institute programs.

1983-1996 *Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management*
Service Forester (Worcester County/Statewide Forest Cutting Practices Coordinator)
Worked directly with forest industry, landowners, and municipal officials to improve management of public and private lands and enforce state forestry regulations.

1980-1983 *U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Hoopa, California*
Forester, GS-9

1979-1980 *Massachusetts Department of Environmental Management*
Service Forester (Norfolk County)

1977-1979 *Peace Corps Volunteer (Forester)*
Ponape District Forestry Office, Kolonia, Ponape, Micronesia

RELATED EXPERIENCE:

1993-present Supervisor, Worcester County Conservation District (Chairman, 2001 – 2008 & 2018 to present)

2014 – present Chairman, Massachusetts Envirothon Council