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Citizenship Affirmation	I	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**

Our country was founded on the principles of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness for all people. It is fundamental to our character that governments and laws should serve the will of the people as the ultimate holders of power in our society.

Corporations and other legal constructs are designed to organize resources for specific objectives. They serve the will of their owners, not the will of the people. It is now evident that the right of unlimited spending in public elections and legislative actions gives corporations powers that are destructive to the rights and liberties of the people.

Under current legal interpretations, freedom of speech is synonymous with freedom to spend and unlimited spending by corporations or individuals undermines the will of the people and bends our political system to the will of big money.

Corporations and wealthy individuals can and do pressure officials to support self-serving positions or risk massive spending attacks in the next election. Unlimited spending in political elections and legislative activities has a destructive effect on democracy by distorting the will of the people.

By serving on the Citizens Commission, I would have a voice, feel as if I am participating in democracy and use the power of the Commission to do something tangible to shutdown the impact of money in our system of government.

I am passionate about overturning Citizens United and I would be a formidable member of the Citizens Commission.

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Political Party Affiliation, if any, over the previous five years	Democratic
Clty or Town where you reside	BARNSTABLE
Employment Status	Employed
Occupation	Economist
Employer	Retired

## Susan Hession Guill

I am a retired economist, writer, educator and speaker. I began my career as an economic analyst in the banking and trust industry and became an economic consultant with Data Resources, National Economic Research Associates and WEFA (Wharton Econometric Forecasting Associates). I specialized in the application of economic principles to public policy, defining market potential, establishing marketing goals and implementing plans to achieve internal sales levels for clients.

I had an opportunity to move into commercial real estate development with The Linpro Company as the Vice President of Senior Development. I located and qualified potential sites across the country for development using market feasibility studies, financial analyses and knowledge of regional economies. My career has taken me from Boston to New York City and finally settling in Philadelphia.

After 30 years of writing for my clients, I decided to use my writing skills to write for myself. I became a newspaper writer and wrote a humor column for the next 16 years. During that time, I was an adjunct professor teaching writing, humor writing and publishing. I especially enjoyed speaking at workshops and conferences where I could present my work and share the humor with a live audience.

I have always been involved in community activities. I have served on the boards of Walnut Street Theatre, Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts (PAFA) Women's Board, National Network of Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW) and Bell Savings Bank. I have chaired Gala's, fundraisers, dinner series and leadership committees. I am currently the President of Cape Cod Art Center, a Trustee of Sturgis Library and an active member of Cape Cod Women for Change.

My passion is wildlife photography. I have traveled the world photographing pandas, polar bears, grizzly bears, lions, tigers, jaguars, elephants, moose, whales, anteaters, birds, penguins, giant tortoises, and iguanas. My bucket list includes photographing silverback gorillas and a narwhal and learning to speak French.

I attended University of Evansville graduating with a double major in economics and political science. I then earned a master's degree in economics at Butler University. I spent two years in Aix-en-Provence, France taking coursework in international economics at l'Universite de Aix-Marseille. When I returned to the US, I settled in Boston and completed coursework for a PhD at Boston University. It was at this time that I bought a beach house in Barnstable and, thus, began my appreciation for Cape Cod.

I was raised in Indianapolis, Indiana. My husband and I retired to Barnstable in 2014. We have one daughter living in NYC who is involved in the commercial art industry.