

Application Form
For
Pennsylvania Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Board
M-00900239

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Date of Application: 11-18-19

Provide the Following:

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How would you identify yourself (please check one):

- Hearing Deaf/Blind
 Hard of Hearing Speech Impaired
 Deaf

(By Order, at Docket No. M-00900239 entered May 29, 1990 the TRS Board must consist of members from hearing and speech impaired communities.)

Have you ever used TRS Services (check which applies): Yes No

If yes, please list any services you have used: TTY

Have you read and understand the Board's By-Laws? Yes No

Include the following information, on a separate sheet of paper, with this application and please limit responses to a couple of sentences:

- Briefly describe why you are interested in joining this Board.
- Briefly describe your skills or experiences that match the purpose and responsibilities of the Board.
- Briefly describe what you expect to gain from being a member of this Board.
- Explain your involvement, describe the benefit the community you represent would gain from membership to this Board, and how you best represent the deaf, speech impaired, deaf blind or hard of hearing community.
- Please attach a copy of your resume and a letter of recommendation.

Mail your application packet to: Ms. Rosemary Chiavetta, Secretary, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission, P.O. Box 3265, Harrisburg, PA 17105-3265.

**NAME: James C. Noschese (Chris) Wife: Cheryl Noschese 47 years
2 children James A Noschese 43, Chief Operating Officer (COO) Kristy L Crossan 41, Lightyear Capital, Asst to CEO
Employment: Western Pennsylvania School for the Deaf since 1972 – 35 years as Educator - Retired in June 2007**

**Bethany College B.S. in Computer Science
University of Pittsburgh M.Ed. in Deaf Education
Gallaudet University – Post Graduated Work in Math/Science Environment
Dual PA State Teaching Certification - Deaf Education and Secondary Mathematics**

Civic Experiences:

Currently Co-Chair of Public Advisory Council Member for City of Pittsburgh- Allegheny County Task Force on Disabilities under Pittsburgh Mayor Bill Peduto and Allegheny County Gerald Fitzgerald as well as past Pittsburgh Mayor Luke Ravenstahl and Allegheny County Chief Dan Onorato since 2007.

On Allegheny County Local Housing Options Team since 2007

Allegheny County Behavioral Health Advisory Council under Dr Kim Mathos

Past and continuing to work on project with City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, PA Dept of Aging, PA Dept of Public Welfare and US Dept of Housing to establish Independent Living and Nursing home for Senior Deaf citizens.

**Charter Member of Deaf Stone Inc. Treasurer
Greater Pittsburgh Community Center for the Deaf Treasurer since 1992
Pittsburgh Association of the Deaf - Officer over 40 years – Treasurer & Trustee
Pennsylvania State Advisory Council member under Governor Bob Casey, Governor Tom Ridge,
Governor Mark Schewiker, Governor Ed Rendell, and Governor Tom Corbett - 2 terms as Chair 2 term as
co-Chair one term Secretary**

**Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf 4 terms as Board of Managers as well as Treasurer
Current President – Pittsburgh Chapter of Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf
Past Treasurer or officer for Pittsburgh Sportsman Club of the Deaf , Three Rivers Deaf Club, Woodland Hills Soccer
Association, Churchill Area Baseball Association, De Paul Alumni, National Fraternal Society for the Deaf, PAD Bowling**

Past President of Pennsylvania Educators of Students who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing (Two Terms)

University of Pittsburgh Program for the Education of the Deaf Advisory Council Board during 1980's

National Science Foundation Grant under Gallaudet University

**Cooperating Teacher for University of Pittsburgh, Penn State University, Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Rochester
Institute of Technology and Kent State University**

**Involved many panel discussions with Parent/Infants Programs, High School Transactions, and Success and Failures of
Cochlear Implants. Conducted workshops related to apartment rental, house sales, health insurance, Job- readiness
experiences and fire safety education/communication to Edgewood Boro Police and Fire Dept.**

Tax Income Return Preparer for Low income Deaf clients

Involved in getting tax exemptions and waiving real estates tax properties for four non-profit organizations.

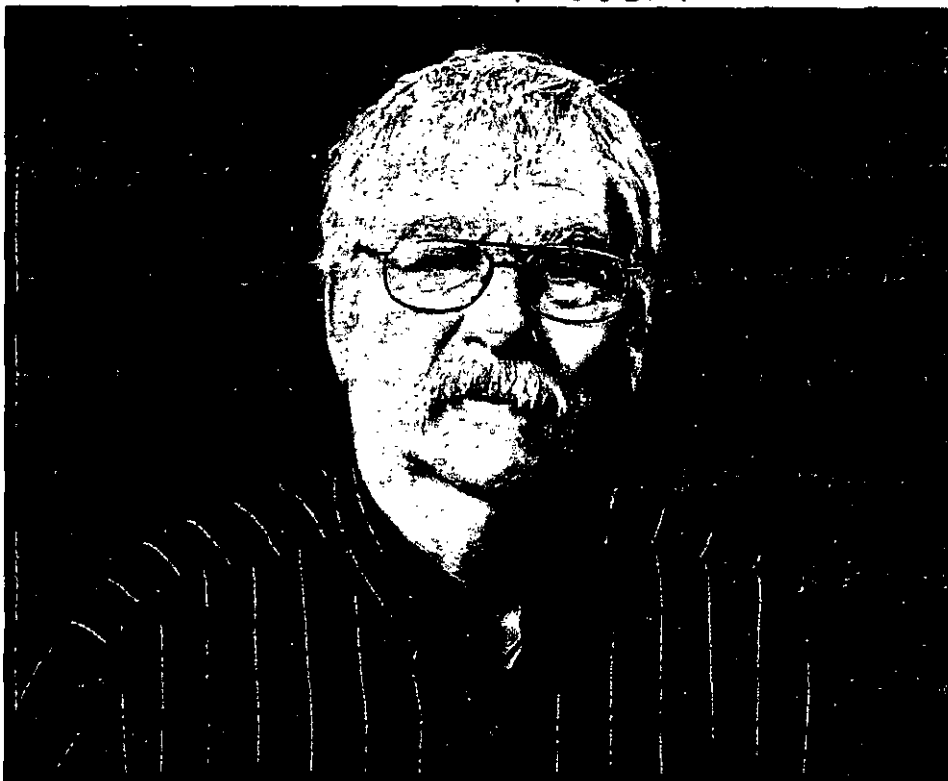
**Managing Rental properties – Jack of all Trades as electrician, plumbing, repairman, handyman tasks. Consulting and Mentor
for 5 deaf landlords.**

**Hosted to catering over 200 people – 30 years. Hosted & Chaired Regional Tournaments –Softball, Volleyball, Basketball, and
Bowling Also involved and chaired Kennywood's Deaf Awareness Day during Father's Day since 2007**

**Awards - Jefferson Awards Foundation Recipient of 2017, Pennsylvania Society for the Advancement of the Deaf Outstanding
Member of the Year, Rev. John G. Brown Award for outstanding educator, Richard Baker Award for outstanding
volunteerism, PAD/GPCCD Outstanding Sport Award, and PAD Outstanding Service Award, Honorary Member of WPSD
Alumni Association**

Reason for getting involved with all civic activities.

**We live in a time of extraordinary and accelerating change. New knowledge, new tools and new ways of doing and
communicating continue to emerge and evolve. The need to understand and be able to use civic skills in everyday life and in our
silent world has never been greater and will continue to increase. I believe that my role will continue to impact toward Deaf
communities and my primary responsibility is to help and provide insight – “The highest quality live hood to all kinds of
people”. They need it that will prepare them for a future of great and continual change.**



James C. Noschese's story is providing a voice to the deaf community

James "Chris" Noschese was approached 30 years ago by a deaf couple struggling to find help with their taxes due to communication barriers. Chris offered to help and has been assisting others in the deaf community attain basic services ever since.

Chris is an active member on many advisory councils, boards and task forces throughout the City of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County, including the Pittsburgh Association of the Deaf, working toward equal access for the deaf community. Chris initiated a "first responder" handbook to help emergency personnel communicate with deaf and hearing impaired patients. He has been involved in panel discussions related to the success and failure of cochlear implants. Chris also conducts various workshops on home buying, rentals, health insurance and job readiness for all ages of the deaf community.

Chris recently retired from 35 years as an educator at Western Pa. School for the Deaf and has made it his life's work to improve the lives of deaf people.

To learn more about the Pittsburgh Association of the Deaf visit pghdeafclub.org or call 412-532-4542.



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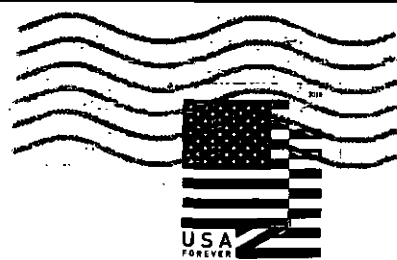


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James C. Noschese is a 2016-17 Jefferson Award recipient. To nominate a volunteer for this award, visit post-gazette.com/jefferson or call 412-263-3518.

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