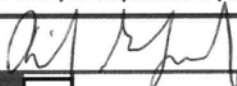


FORM 140 - PARTY STATUS REQUEST

Before completing this form, please review the instructions on the reverse side.
Print or type all information unless otherwise indicated. All information must be completely filled out.

PLEASE NOTE: YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THIS FORM IF YOU SIMPLY WISH TO TESTIFY AT THE HEARING. COMPLETE THIS FORM ONLY IF YOU WISH TO BE A PARTY IN THIS CASE.
(Please see reverse side for more information about this distinction.)

Pursuant to 11 DCMR §§ 3022.3 or 3106.2, a request is hereby made, the details of which are as follows:

Name:	Richard F. Saalfeld		
Address:	3322 Dent Place NW		
Phone No(s):	202 739 1395	E Mail:	rfs25@cornell.edu
I hereby request to appear and participate as a party in Case No.:		19056	
Signature:			Date: July 9, 2015
Will you appear as a(n)	☐ Proponent	☒ Opponent	Will you appear through legal counsel? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, please enter the name and address of such legal counsel.

Name:			
Address:			
Phone No(s):		E Mail:	

PARTY WITNESS INFORMATION:

On a separate piece of paper, please provide the following witness information:

1. A list of witnesses who will testify on the party's behalf;
2. A summary of the testimony of each witness (*Zoning Commission only*);
3. An indication of which witnesses will be offered as expert witnesses, the areas of expertise in which any experts will be offered, and the resumes or qualifications of the proposed experts (*Zoning Commission only*); and
4. The total amount of time being requested to present your case (*Zoning Commission only*).

PARTY STATUS CRITERIA:

Please answer all of the following questions referencing why the above entity should be granted party status:

1. How will the property owned or occupied by such person, or in which the person has an interest be affected by the action requested of the Commission/Board?
2. What legal interest does the person have in the property? (i.e. owner, tenant, trustee, or mortgagee)
3. What is the distance between the person's property and the property that is the subject of the application before the Commission/Board? (Preferably no farther than 200 ft.)
4. What are the environmental, economic, or social impacts that are likely to affect the person and/or the person's property if the action requested of the Commission/Board is approved or denied?
5. Describe any other relevant matters that demonstrate how the person will likely be affected or aggrieved if the action requested of the Commission/Board is approved or denied.
6. Explain how the person's interest will be more significantly, distinctively, or uniquely affected in character or kind by the proposed zoning action than that of other persons in the general public.

Except for the applicant, appellant or the ANC, to participate as a party in a proceeding before the Commission/Board, any affected person shall file with the Zoning Commission or Board of Zoning Adjustment this Form 140 not less than fourteen (14) days prior to the date set for the hearing.

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1. How will the property owned or occupied by such person, or in which the person has an interest be affected by the action requested of the Commission/Board?

Splitting the current lot and granting a variance of the zoning laws covering residences in the District of Columbia can only result in two row houses being built on the property in question, given the diminished width of each sub-standard lot. The proposed structure(s) will abut my single-family, free-standing home, creating an aesthetic not envisioned by the architect of my home, and not condoned by architects charged with preserving the historic district which includes my neighborhood. The home which previously occupied the property upon which the new structure is proposed was a single-family, free-standing home for over a century, as was its predecessor(s) of centuries past. In fact, the property in question has never held a row-house.

Also, granting the variance will put forward a liberal definition of "hardship," the criterion upon which a request for variance is, necessarily, based; this will degrade the foundation upon which property in the neighborhood can be transferred, given that it is a Federally protected historic district, and the strict rules governing such districts provide assurance to potential buyers that said buyers will not be subjected to unpredictable land use.

2. What legal interest does the person have in the property? (ie, owner, tenant, trustee or mortgagee)

I am the co-owner of the property abutting the property that is the subject of this proposed action.

3. What is the distance between the person's property and the property that is the subject of the application before the Commission/Board?

Adjacent.

4. What are the environmental, economic, or social impacts that are likely to affect the person and/or the person's property if the action requested of the Commission/Board is approved or denied?

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The environmental impacts are unknown.

If the action is approved, our free-standing home will become a row-house, because the sub-standard lots created by such action can only carry row-houses. Furthermore, construction of homes on the lot will likely impact the structural integrity of my home, which will affect its habitability, as well as its resale value.

The social impact will be that a historic property, the property that is the subject of the requested action, will be obliterated. The historic property in question was the home of the first property owning former slave in the District of Columbia.

5. Describe other relevant matters that demonstrate how the person will likely be affected or aggrieved if the action requested of the Commission/Board is approved or denied.

If the action is approved, my unique, free standing contemporary home, designed by a noted and inventive architect, will become part of an unbroken line of row houses. The historic nature of the property that is the subject of the proposed action will be forever obliterated.

6. Explain how the person's interest will be more significantly, distinctively, or uniquely affected in character or kind by the proposed zoning action than that of other persons in the general public.

My interests will be uniquely affected because my home, which once stood next to an attractive, well-maintained, historic home, will become part of a line of row-houses. The home on the now-empty lot next door was allowed to decay due to the venality of an owner who caused it to be uninhabitable long before it was demolished by the city as a threat to health and safety, and this affects me because I believe that demolition by neglect should not be rewarded.

If the proposed action is granted, I will have been denied the promise of the regulations governing historic districts, as well as the promise of the zoning laws upon which I relied when I purchased my home, many years ago.