



**BEFORE THE ZONING COMMISSION OR  
BOARD OF ZONING ADJUSTMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**



**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:

<b>Name:</b>	Dennis Williams on behalf of GDS Neighbors		
<b>Address:</b>	4207 Chesapeake St. NW Washington D.C. 20016		
<b>Phone No(s):</b>	202-363-0198	<b>E Mail:</b>	vega26b@gmail.com
<b>I hereby request to appear and participate as a party in Case No.:</b>		19599	
<b>Signature:</b>	Dennis Williams	<b>Date:</b>	11/11/2017
<b>Will you appear as a(n)</b>	Opponent	<b>Will you appear through legal counsel?</b>	No

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

<b>Name:</b>			
<b>Address:</b>			
<b>Phone No(s):</b>		<b>E Mail:</b>	

**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.**

Going before the Zoning Commission or Board of Zoning Adjustment  
 District of Columbia  
 CASE NO. 19599  
 FORM 140 BIT NO. 42

## **Form- 140-Party Status Request (Supplemental Information)**

**11/11/2017**

**BZA Case Number: 19599**

**Party Status Name: Dennis Williams on behalf of GDS Neighbors**

Proponent or Opponent: GDS Neighbors supports the GDS request to consolidate its Lower/Middle School with the High School on the Tenleytown campus; it opposes the applicant's Transportation Demand Management plan in its current form. GDS Neighbors will revise this request as necessary based on final negotiations between the ANC 3E and GDS, which are scheduled to be completed on November 20.

Witness Information: Dennis Williams (4207 Chesapeake St. NW) and Christine Becker ( 4332 River Road, NW) Both are members of GDS Neighbors and live within 200 ft. of the GDS campus.

Party Status Criteria:

1. **How will the property owned or occupied by such person be affected by the action requested of the BZA?** Members of GDS Neighbors are residents on the streets immediately adjacent to the GDS campus and live within 200 feet of the school.

Vehicles traveling through neighborhood streets bringing students and staff to and from the high school are estimated to generate 483 car trips in AM peak travel time. After consolidation, the number of car trips is estimated to total 1,105, an increase of 130% over the baseline level. The most recent Travel Demand Management plan dated November 8, 2017 proposes to limit car trips to an increase of 63% over the baseline level.

This level of traffic at the peak of the morning rush hour will further impair the flow of traffic on River Rd. and Wisconsin Ave., clog neighborhood streets as commuters walk to the Metro station, endanger parents and children walking to Wilson High School and along 42<sup>nd</sup> St to Janney Elementary School, and degrade air quality because of the increase in auto emissions.

2. What legal interest does the person have in the property? Members of GDS Neighbors are owners of property near GDS.
3. What is the distance between the person's property and the subject property? GDS Neighbors members live within 200 ft. of the school.
4. What are the environmental, economic or social impacts that are likely to affect the person/property if the action requested is approved? A major increase in traffic will degrade air quality, impede commuter traffic into the city and endanger the safety of pedestrians as discussed under # 1.
5. Describe any other relevant matters that demonstrate how the person will likely be affected if the action requested is approved? According to the DC Comprehensive Plan, the primary purpose of a Transportation Demand Management plan is to reduce the number of vehicles using the road system, not increase them.
6. Explain how the person's interest will be more significantly, distinctively, or uniquely affected in character and kind by the proposed zoning action than that of other persons in the general public. As neighbors of the school, we will experience the full brunt of the increase in traffic arriving from River Rd. Wisconsin Ave. and 42<sup>nd</sup> St and the health and safety risks associated with a 63% increase in traffic on small, residential streets.