
Application for Appointment to Board, Commission, Committee, Task Force or Position

Applicants appointed by the Board of Supervisors will be required to take an oath of office. All applications will be kept on file for one year from the date of application.

Public Records Act

Applications are public records that are subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act. Information provided by the applicant is not regarded as confidential except for the addresses and phone numbers of references and the applicant's personal information including home and work addresses, phone numbers and email address.

Form 700 Conflict of Interest Code

[California Fair Political Practices Website](https://www.countyofnapa.org/1334/About-the-Board)

Please note that appointees may be required by state law and county conflict of interest code to file financial disclosure statements.

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Napa County Airport Advisory Commission: Submitted

Category of Membership for Which You Are Applying

Commissioner

Profile

Robert

First Name

E

Middle
Initial

Deyoung

Last Name

[REDACTED]
Email Address

[REDACTED]
Home Address

Suite or Apt

Napa

City

CA

State

94558

Postal Code

Which supervisorial district do you reside in? *

☒ District 4

To find your supervisorial district go to <https://www.countyofnapa.org/1334/About-the-Board>, click on "Look Up My District" and enter your address.

[REDACTED]
Primary Phone

Robert E Deyoung

Papa Tango LLC

Employer

Pilot / Director of Flight
Operations

Job Title

Aviator

Occupation

Education/Experience

My aviation background includes early involvement in the development of Smith Ranch Airport in San Rafael, CA, as part of my father's initiative. I also commanded my Air Force Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps attachment at Novato High School. Over the years, I worked as a flight instructor at the Marin County Airport, in customer service for West Air and United Airlines in Chico, Sacramento, and San Francisco, and in corporate aviation and charter operations throughout the North Bay Area. Currently, I manage and operate a corporate business jet based at the Napa County Airport and offer consulting services to the aviation industry, providing both managerial and pilot services under contract.

Name and occupation of spouse within the last 12 months, if married. (For conflict of interest purposes)

Lisa DeYoung / Realtor

Resume

[BOB_DEYOUNG_RESUME.pdf](#)

Upload a Resume

[Bob_DeYoung_Biography.docx](#)

Letter of Recommendation or Supplemental
Attachments

Professional or occupational license, date of issue, and expiration including status

Air Transport Pilot Feb. 28, 1998, Flight Instructor Mar. 14, 1996, Advanced Ground Instructor Mar. 14, 1996 - All active and without expiration I hold ratings in Multi Engine Turbojet, Single Engine Land and Sea aircraft, Lighter than Air Balloon (Hot Air Balloon), and Glider all with commercial privileges.

References: Provide names and phone numbers of 3 individuals who are familiar with your background.

Kristen Gregory [REDACTED], Chair of the Airport Advisory
C [REDACTED] ation Explorer post. Christian Palmaz [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Airport Advisory Committee member [REDACTED] neighbor
[REDACTED]
Former employer and owner of the North Bay Business Journal

Community Participation

Please explain your reasons for wishing to serve and, in your opinion, how you feel you could contribute.

The commission is an avenue that I can return to the community my gratitude in service for the blessings I have to share. I have been fortunate to be involved in the field of aviation my entire life and have expertise as a pilot, familiarity in the economics and infrastructure of airports and particularly the Napa County Airport. My experience in commercial and recreational flying give me unique knowledge and insight to balance the recreational and small business aircraft owner, and the commercial aircraft operator for profit, inclusive of the commercial supporting services.

Robert E Deyoung

Nature of activity and community location

The airport is multifaceted in that it supports the storage of aircraft and social interactions of pilots who fly for recreation, but it also supports the small business owner that enhance the efficiency of business through the use of aviation for transportation. Economically it supports the commerce of the aviation support services based in Napa, and the economic benefit to the community as a gateway for visitors to the region. In terms of infrastructure it is vital as a resource for emergency access and egress from the surrounding communities. I have been a tenant in good standing at the airport for more than 20 years.

Other County Board/Commission/Committee on Which You Serve/Have Served

NA

Public Actions that may impact Credit Rating (List all court or other public administration actions impacting your credit rating within the past ten (10) years)

None

Electronic Signature Agreement

I meet the criteria required to serve in this position.

☒ Yes ☐ No

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

☒ Yes ☐ No

Please Agree with the Following Statement

By checking the "I agree" box below, you agree and acknowledge that 1) your application will not be signed in the sense of a traditional paper document, 2) by signing in this alternate manner, you authorize your electronic signature to be valid and binding upon you to the same force and effect as a handwritten signature, and 3) you may still be required to provide a traditional signature at a later date.

☒ I Agree

Electronic Signature (First M. Last)

Robert E DeYoung

Date

February 12, 2025

Napa CA 94558-2047

Jan. '02 ~ Present : Corporate Pilot – CE525B
Papa Tango LLC, San Rafael CA, and Napa Jet Center
Napa CA

June '98 ~ Nov. '02: CE525, CE550, BE-200, CE414, BE-58
Sunset Aviation, Novato CA

June '99 ~ Feb. '02: Contract Corporate Pilot – Dornier 328
Pacific Gas & Electric Company, Oakland CA

Mar. '96 ~ Aug. '99: Flight Instructor Single and Multi Engine Land,
Instrument, Advanced Aeronautical Ground Instructor
AirWard Inc., Novato CA

Oct. '94 ~ Present: Consultant Aviation Services, Owner
Smith Ranch Aviation Services, Napa CA

May. '91 ~ Oct. '94: Customer Service Representative,
United Air Lines, San Francisco International Airport CA

Total Time: 10,231 Instruments: 768
Multi-Engine: 7546 Turbine PIC: 6133 Turbine SIC: 501
 (Turbojet PIC 5618)

Airline Transport Pilot,
Airplane Multi-Engine Land, CE-500, CE-525 Single pilot
Commercial Pilot,
Airplane Single Engine Land, Lighter than Air
Certified Flight Instructor
Airplane Single and Multiengine Land, Instrument,
LTA Balloon
Ground Instructor,
Advanced Ground Instructor
First Class Medical ~ DOI 09/16/2014

*Bachelor of Science Degree, Recreation Administration,
California State University at Chico, Chico CA*

09/24//2014

ROBERT DE YOUNG

THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE NAPA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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CONTACT

[REDACTED]
Napa CA, 94558-2047
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

FEB. 12, 2025

As a new member of the Napa Chamber of Commerce and your representative on the Napa County Airport Advisory Committee, I will bring a unique perspective on airport operations and their impact on the Napa community. With a lifelong career in aviation and airport management, I am committed to ensuring the airport serves both the recreational and business needs of Napa's residents and visitors.

My aviation background includes early involvement in the development of Smith Ranch Airport in San Rafael, CA, as part of my father's initiative. I also commanded my Air Force Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps attachment at Novato High School. Over the years, I worked as a flight instructor at the Marin County Airport, in customer service for West Air and United Airlines in Chico, Sacramento, and San Francisco, and in corporate aviation and charter operations throughout the North Bay Area. Currently, I manage and operate a corporate business jet based at the Napa County Airport and offer consulting services to the aviation industry, providing both managerial and pilot services under contract.

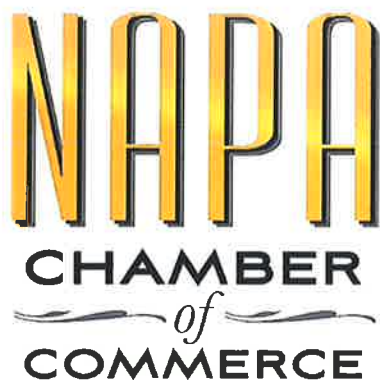
I hold a Bachelor of Science degree in Recreation Administration from California State University, Chico, where I focused on the business and private enterprise aspects of recreation. My senior project—on the development and operation of airports for both

recreational and business use—earned recognition as the Outstanding Graduating Senior in the College of Education.

For 31 years, I have been married to my wife Lisa, a Napa native. Together with her father, Carl Hammond, they have been involved in Napa Valley real estate and property management since the early 1980s. We have two sons: Gunnar, a graduate of the University of New Hampshire with a degree in Finance, and Soren, a senior at Vintage High School, who is pursuing a career in military aviation through one of the U.S. Military Academies. Our family is actively engaged in St. John's Lutheran Church, with my spare time split between church, Boy Scout Troop 83, Napa Aviation Explorer Post, supporting local high school athletic and music programs, and forwarding the interest of aviation among the youth in our community.

Sincerely,

Robert De Young



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February 13, 2025

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***Subject: Recommendation for Robert De Young – Napa County
Airport Commission***

Dear Chair Cottrell,

I am pleased to submit this letter of recommendation in support of Robert De Young's appointment as the Napa Chamber of Commerce Representative to the Napa County Airport Commission.

With an extensive career in aviation and airport management, Robert brings a wealth of experience and a deep commitment to ensuring that the Napa County Airport serves both the recreational and business needs of our community and its visitors. His expertise spans multiple facets of the aviation industry, including airport development, aviation training and flight instruction, corporate and charter operations, and customer service with nationally recognized airlines. Additionally, he currently provides consulting services in aviation management and pilot operations, further demonstrating his leadership and dedication to the field.

Beyond his professional qualifications, Robert is actively engaged in various local community organizations, enabling him to offer a well-rounded and inclusive perspective as a commissioner. His ability to bridge industry expertise with community priorities will make him an invaluable asset to the commission.

I am confident that Robert's knowledge, experience, and collaborative approach will greatly benefit the Napa County Airport Commission.

Thank you for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you require any further information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jeri Hansen". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Jeri Hansen
President & CEO
Napa Chamber of Commerce