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### Application for Board of Trustees Position

The information submitted will be used by the Board of Governors in considering action on your application. The questionnaire MUST BE COMPLETED IN FULL. Answer "none" or "not applicable" where appropriate. Completed applications should be sent to: Board of Governors, 325 W. Gaines Street, Suite 1614, Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400. Please type or print.

If appointed, you will be required to file financial disclosure statements.

August 13, 2009  
Date Completed

1. Name: Hillis Mark \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle and/or (Maiden)

2. University Board of Interest: Florida State University  
Are you applying for reappointment? Yes  No

3. Residence Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Winter Park, FL 32789-5953 Orange  
Street City County County

4. Current Employer or Occupation: Retired - SunTrust Bank & U.S. Marine Corps Reserve

Business Address: N/A \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Office#/Suite City

Post Office Box Suite Zip Code Area Code/Phone Number

E-mail Address

5. Specify the preferred mailing address: Business  Home  Fax # None

6. List all places of residence for the past five (5) years.

Address	City and State	From	To
_____	<u>Winter Park, FL</u>	<u>7/06</u>	<u>Present</u>
<u>1483 St. Charles Place</u>	<u>Tallahassee, FL</u>	<u>8/02</u>	<u>6/06</u>
<u>1633 Wayfarer's Ct.</u>	<u>St. George Island, FL</u>	<u>8/02</u>	<u>Present (Homestead)</u>

7. List all former and current residences outside of Florida that you have maintained at any time during adulthood.

Address	City and State	From	To
<u>1963 Calder Ct.</u>	<u>Dunwoody, GA</u>	<u>4/85</u>	<u>2/97</u>
<u>215 Walnut Cove</u>	<u>Dawsonville, GA</u>	<u>5/88</u>	<u>7/02 (Second Home)</u>
<u>20 East Ferry Dr.</u>	<u>Atlanta, GA</u>	<u>3/81</u>	<u>3/85</u>
<u>100 Long Island Pl.</u>	<u>Atlanta, GA</u>	<u>1/80</u>	<u>2/81</u>

8. Date of Birth: [redacted] Place of Birth: St. Louis, MO

9. Social Security No.: [redacted] \*

10. Driver License No. [redacted] \* Issuing State: Florida

11. Have you ever used or been known by any other legal name? Yes  No  If "Yes" explain.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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12. Are you a United States citizen? Yes  No  If "No" explain.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

13. If you are a naturalized citizen, date of naturalization: N/A

14. Since what year have you been a continuous resident of Florida? 2002

15. Are you a registered Florida voter? Yes  No  If "Yes" list:

County of Registration Franklin

16. Education:

A. High School: Paxon Sr. High School, Jacksonville, FL Year Graduated: 1960  
(Name and Location)

B. List all postsecondary educational institutions attended:

Name and Location	Date Attended	Certificates/Degrees Received
<u>Florida State Univ., Tallahassee FL</u>	<u>9/60 - 8/64</u>	<u>Bachelor of Science Business Admin.</u>
<u>Woodrow Wilson College of Law, Atlanta, GA</u>	<u>75-77</u>	<u>Juris Doctor</u>

17. Are you or have you ever been a member of the United States armed forces? Yes  No   
If "Yes" list:

A. Dates of service: 12/65 - 7/86

B. Branch or component: United States Marine Corps Reserve

C. Date and type of discharge: 1/02 Honorably Retired

\* Will be redacted before distribution occurs.

18. Have you ever been arrested, charged, or indicted for violation of any federal, state, county or municipal law, regulation, or ordinance? (Exclude traffic violations for which a fine or civil penalty of \$150 or less was paid.) Yes  No  If "Yes" give details:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Nature</u>	<u>Disposition</u>

19. Concerning your current employer and for all of your employment, including self-employment, during the last five years, list your employer's name, business address, type of business, occupation or job title, and period(s) of employment:

<u>Employer Name and Address</u>	<u>Type of Business</u>	<u>Occupation/Title</u>	<u>Period of Employment</u>
SunTrust Bank, 25 Park Pl. NE Atlanta, GA 30303	Commercial Bank	Commercial Real Estate Lender, First Vice President	5/69 - 8/02 (Retired)

20. Have you ever been employed by any state, district, or local government agency in Florida? Yes  No  If "Yes", identify the position(s), the name(s) of the employing agency, and the period(s) of employment, and reason for leaving:

<u>Position</u>	<u>Employing Agency</u>	<u>Period of Employment</u>

21. State your experiences and interests or elements of your personal history that qualify you for this appointment.

Since 1989 I have been involved in many activities as evidenced in Section 28 of this application. My wife and I met at an Atlanta Seminoles Club function. She graduated from FSU in 1976 and co-chaired our FSU Connect Campaign, and is involved in many FSU activities.

22. Have you received any degree(s), professional certification(s) or designation(s) including awards related to the subject matter of this appointment? Yes  No  If "Yes", list:

Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration - 1964. Finance Major  
Awarded the FSU Circle of Gold from the Alumni Association for outstanding service to FSU in 1996.

23. Identify all association memberships and association offices held by you that relate to this appointment:

See Section 28

24. Do you currently hold an office or position (appointive, civil service, or other) with the Federal or any foreign government? Yes  No  If "Yes", please list:

25. Have you ever been elected or appointed to any public office in this state? Yes  No  If "Yes", state the office title, date of election or appointment, term of office, and level of government (city, county, district or state):

<u>Office Title</u>	<u>Date of Election or Appointment</u>	<u>Term of Office</u>	<u>Level of Government</u>

If your service was on an appointed board(s), committee(s) or council(s):

- A. How frequently were meetings scheduled? \_\_\_\_\_
- B. If you missed any of the regularly scheduled meetings, state the number of meetings attended, number missed, and the reason(s) for absence(s).

<u>Meetings Attended</u>	<u>Meetings Missed</u>	<u>Reason for Absence</u>

26. Have you ever served on any profit or not-for-profit board? Yes  No  If "Yes", state the title, date of appointment, length of service, and provide a brief description of your involvement.

Hospice of the Comforter Community Advancement Board, 1/07-Present, Secretary & Board Member, Southern Scholarship Foundation 2006-2009, Chairman of Investment Committee and Executive Committee Member, Council on Culture & Arts for Tallahassee Leon County, 2004-2006, Board Member, Treasurer & Chairman of Ways & Means Committee. See Sect. 28

27. Have you ever been responsible or played a role in managing a business or other corporate entity? Yes  No  If "Yes", state the name of the business, the dates of your involvement, and provide a brief description of your involvement.

28. Describe any involvement with and/or relationship to the university to which you are applying or any other educational institution with which you are/were affiliated (other than as a student).  
1995-2008 Member of FSU Foundation Board of Trustees. Served as Secretary and  
Chair of the Finance, Real Estate, Development and Capital Campaign Executive  
Committees.

29. Describe your understanding of the role of a board of trustee member in ensuring the fiduciary and academic well-being of the university.

To attend BOT meetings and constructively participate in those meetings  
and committee meetings in accordance with BOG and BOT policies.  
To enhance FSU's academic programs by being fiscally responsible  
with the goal of improving the quality of education at FSU.

30. Has probable cause ever been found that you were in violation of Part III, Chapter 112, F.S., the Code of Ethics for Public Officers and Employees? Yes  No  If "Yes", give details:

Date

Nature of Violation

Disposition

31. Have you ever been suspended from any office by the Governor of the State of Florida?

Yes  No  If "Yes", list:

Title of Office \_\_\_\_\_ Reason for Suspension: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of suspension: \_\_\_\_\_ Result: Reinstated  Removed  Resigned

32. Have you previously been appointed to any office that required confirmation by the Florida Senate?

Yes  No  If "Yes", list:

Title of Office: \_\_\_\_\_

Term of Appointment: \_\_\_\_\_

Confirmation results: \_\_\_\_\_

33. Have you ever been refused a fidelity, surety, performance, or other bond? Yes  No

If "Yes", explain:

→ 1989 - Present - Member of the FSU College of Business Board of Governors. Chairman - 1996-1998.  
2003 - Present - Member of FSU College of Business Real Estate Executive Advisory Board.  
2004 - 2008 - Member of FSU Alumni Association Development Committee.  
2009 - Present - Member of FSU Alumni Assoc. Centennial Steering Committee.  
1992 - 1997 - Chairman FSU Capital Campaign Steering Committee.  
Member - FSU Francis Epps, James D. Westcott & Custodes Lampadis Societies.  
1988 - Established Nancy Casper Hillis and Mark Hillis Endowed Fund for Finance.  
2004 - Established Mark Hillis and Nancy Casper Hillis Endowed Fund for Real Estate.  
Lifetime Member - FSU Alumni Association.  
Member - FSU Seminole Boosters.  
Member - Greater Orlando Seminole Club.

34. Have you held or do you hold an occupational or professional license or certificate in the State of Florida? Yes  No  If "Yes", provide the title and number, original issue date, and issuing authority. If any disciplinary action (fine, probation, suspension, revocation, and/or disbarment) has ever been taken against you by the issuing authority, state the type and date of the action taken:

<u>License/Certificate Title &amp; Number</u>	<u>Original Issue Date</u>	<u>Issuing Authority</u>	<u>Disciplinary Action/Date</u>

35. Have you, or businesses of which you have been an owner, officer, or employee, held any contractual or other direct dealings during the last four (4) years with any state or local governmental agency in Florida, including the university to which you have been appointed or are seeking appointment? Yes  No  If "Yes", explain:

<u>Name of Business</u>	<u>Your Relationship to Business</u>	<u>Business' Relationship to University</u>

36. Have members of your immediate family (spouse, child, parent(s), sibling(s)), or businesses of which members of your immediate family have been owners, officers, or employees, held any contractual or other direct dealings during the last four (4) years with any state or local governmental agency in Florida, including the university to which you have been appointed or are seeking appointment? Yes  No  If "Yes", explain:

<u>Name of Business</u>	<u>Family Member's Relationship to you</u>	<u>Family Member's Relationship to Business</u>	<u>Business' Relationship to University</u>
BBAT	Spouse	Regional President - East Florida	Banking Services Not sure what services or whether or not services are provided to FSU

37. Have you ever been a registered lobbyist or have you lobbied at any level of government at any time during the past five years? Yes  No  If "Yes", explain:

- A. Did you receive any compensation other than reimbursement for expenses? Yes  No
- B. Name of agency or entity you lobbied and the principals you represented:

<u>Agency Lobbied</u>	<u>Principals Represented</u>

38. List three persons who have known you well during the past five (5) years. Include a current, complete address and telephone number. Exclude your relatives and members of the Florida Senate.

Name	Mailing Address	Zip Code	Area Code/Telephone Number
Talbot H. "Sandy" D'Almeida	117 Myers Park Dr. Tallahassee FL	32301	850-216-0494
Michael J. Pate	1464 St. Charles Place Tallahassee, FL	32308	850-906-0446
Dr. Betty Lou Joanes	2001 Seminole Dr., Tallahassee, FL	32301	850-877-1092

39. Name any business, professional, occupational, civic, or fraternal organization(s) of which you are now a member, or of which you have been a member during the past five (5) years, the organization address(es), and date(s) of your membership(s).

Name	Mailing Address	Office(s) Held & Term	Date(s) of Membership
Marine Corps Reserve Assoc.	337 Potomac Ave. Quantico, VA	22134	Life Member - Present
Military Officers Assoc. of America	201 N. Washington St. Alexandria, VA	22314	Life Mbr. 3/04 to Present
Theta Chi Fraternity	3330 Founders Rd. Indianapolis, IN		46268-1333, Mbr. 1963-Present. Lifetime Member - Metropolitan Atlanta Chamber of Commerce.

40. Do you know of any reason why you will not be able to attend fully the duties of the position to which you have been or will be appointed? Yes  No  If "yes", explain:

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41. Are you now, or have you within the past three years, been a member of any club or organization that, to your knowledge, in practice or in policy, restricts membership or restricted membership during the time that you belonged, on the basis of race, religion, national origin or gender?

Yes  No  If "yes", detail the name and nature of the organization, relevant policies and practices, and state whether you intend to continue as a member if appointed by the Board of Governors.

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42. Have you ever been the object of any equal employment opportunity complaint or any civil action based upon discrimination in the work place? Yes  No  If "yes", explain and provide details of the outcome:

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43. Are there any pending lawsuits against you or are you a party to a lawsuit in any court in which you are the plaintiff or defendant? Yes  No  If "yes", what type and where?

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44. Have any judgments been entered against you as a result of any civil or administrative proceeding(s)? Yes  No  If "yes", identify the proceeding(s) that resulted in the judgment and the date the judgment was entered.

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45. Are you now engaged in activities, or have you engaged in activities in the past, that will reflect unfavorably on the board to which you seek appointment? Yes  No  If "yes", please explain.

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46. Is there anything that you were not questioned about in your application that you should make known to us at this time that impugns your integrity, character and fitness for the position you are seeking? Yes  No  If "yes", please explain.

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CERTIFICATION

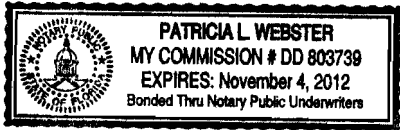
STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF Orange

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Mark Hillis who after being duly sworn, say: 1) that he/she has carefully prepared or read the answers to the foregoing question; 2) that the information contained in said answers is complete and true; 3) that he/she will, as an appointee, fully support the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Florida. Be it further known that in signing this document I understand that a Level 2 background check by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement will be performed on all nominees who are recommended to the Florida Board of Governors.

Mark Hillis  
Affiant's signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2009, by Mark Hillis.

Patricia L. Webster  
(signature of notary)



Patricia L. Webster  
(typed, printed or stamped name)

Notary Public  
Commission No.: DD 803739  
My Commission Expires: Nov. 4, 2012

Personally Known X OR Produced Identification \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of Identification Produced \_\_\_\_\_

MEMORANDUM

AS A GENERAL MATTER, APPLICATIONS FOR ALL POSITIONS WITHIN STATE GOVERNMENT ARE PUBLIC RECORDS WHICH MAY BE VIEWED BY ANYONE UPON REQUEST. HOWEVER, THERE ARE SOME EXEMPTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC RECORDS LAW FOR IDENTIFYING INFORMATION RELATING TO PAST AND PRESENT LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS AND THEIR FAMILIES, VICTIMS OF CERTAIN CRIMES, ETC. IF YOU BELIEVE AN EXEMPTION FROM THE PUBLIC RECORDS LAW APPLIES TO YOUR SUBMISSION, PLEASE CHECK THIS BOX.

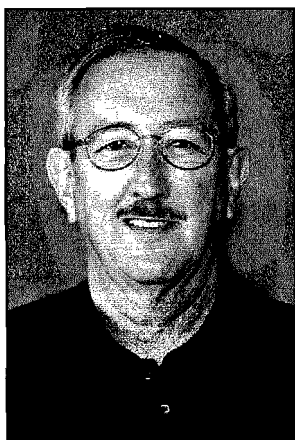
Yes, I assert that identifying information provided in this application should be excluded from inspection under the Public Records Law.

**IF YOU NEED ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE AS TO THE APPLICABILITY OF ANY PUBLIC RECORDS LAW EXEMPTION TO YOUR SITUATION, PLEASE CONTACT THE GENERAL COUNSEL FOR THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS.**

Vikki R. Shirley  
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State University System of Florida  
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**Mr. Mark Hillis**

*Finance  
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Winter Park, FL 32789-5953

H: (407) 702-2046  
markhillis64@yahoo.com

Spouse: Mrs. Nan C. Hillis

A native of St. Louis, Missouri, Mark Hillis graduated from Florida State University College of Business with a bachelor's degree and from the Woodrow Wilson College of Law with a juris doctorate. He was a member of the Theta Chi fraternity and a sports writer for the *Florida Flambeau*. He enjoys running, exercising, boating, water skiing, fishing and FSU activities.

Prior to his retirement as First Vice President for Sun-Trust Bank in Atlanta where he served 33 years, Mr. Hillis worked as a salesman for CPC International. He is also a retired Major from the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves after 20 years of service.

Mr. Hillis has served on the FSU College of Business Board of Governors since 1989 and served as chair from 1996 to 1998. Since 2003, he has served on the FSU College of Business Real Estate Executive Advisory Board, and since 2004 on the FSU Alumni Association Development Committee. He served as treasurer and a member of the FSU Alumni Association from 1993 to 2002.

He is a lifetime member of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce, the Marine Corp Reserve Officers Association and the FSU Alumni Association. In addition, he is a member of the FSU Seminole Boosters and Class of 2000 Leadership Georgia and served as treasurer and chair of the Ways and Means Committee of the Tallahassee and Leon County Cultural Resources Commission from 2004 to 2006. He has also received the Florida State University Alumni Association *Circle of Gold Award*.

Mr. Hillis is married to Nancy Casper "Nan" Hillis, an FSU graduate with a bachelor's degree in business. She is a member of the Delta Delta Delta sorority, was co-chair of the FSU CONNECT National Campaign, former member of Florida State University Alumni Association Board of Directors and a member of Girl Scouts of America Board of Directors. Currently, Ms. Hillis is President of Branch, Banking & Trust Co.'s (BB&T) east coast region.

The couple has established the Mark and Nancy C. Hillis Endowed Fund for Finance and the Endowed Fund for Real Estate in the FSU College of Business. They currently live in Winter Park, Florida.

Mark Hillis

Winter Park, Florida 32789-5953

407-702-2046

850-524-2035 (Cell)

[markhillis64@yahoo.com](mailto:markhillis64@yahoo.com)

August 14, 2009

1964 Florida State University, BS – Business Administration, Major – Finance  
1977 Woodrow Wilson College of Law, JD Degree  
1964 – 1966 Salesman, Best Foods Division, CPC International  
1966 – 1969 Captain, U. S. Marine Corps  
1969 – 2002 First Vice President, Real Estate Finance – SunTrust Bank, Atlanta, GA  
2002 Retired, SunTrust Bank and U. S. Marine Corps Reserve  
1980 Married Nancy (“Nan”) Casper Hillis, FSU Class of 1976  
1988 Established Nancy Casper Hillis & Mark Hillis Endowed Fund for Finance in the FSU College of Business  
1989 – Present FSU College of Business Board of Governors Member, Chairman 1996 – 1998  
1992 – 1997 Chairman, Georgia FSU Capital Campaign Committee  
1993 – 2002 Treasurer and Member of FSU Alumni Association Board of Directors  
1995 – 2008 Member of FSU Foundation Board of Trustees  
Former Secretary, Chairman of the Real Estate, Finance, Development and Capital Campaign Executive Committees  
1996 Recipient of the FSU Alumni Association Circle of Gold Award  
2003 – Present Member, FSU College of Business Real Estate Executive Advisory Board  
2004 – 2006 Treasurer and Member of The Council on Culture & Arts for Tallahassee/Leon County, and Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee  
2004 Established Mark Hillis and Nancy Casper Hillis Endowed Fund for Real Estate in the FSU College of Business  
2004 – 2008 Member FSU Alumni Association Development Committee  
2006 – 2009 Southern Scholarship Foundation Board Member, Chairman of the Investment Committee and Member of the Executive Committee  
2007 – Present Member and Secretary, Community Advancement Board of The Hospice of the Comforter for Orange, Seminole and Osceola Counties  
2009 Member of the FSU Alumni Association Centennial Steering Committee

Member, FSU Francis Eppes, James D. Westcott and Custodes Lampadis Societies

Lifetime Member – FSU Alumni Association

FSU Seminole Booster

Theta Chi Fraternity

Member of Orlando Seminole Club and Former Board Member of Atlanta Seminole Club

Leadership Georgia – Class of 2000

Member – First United Methodist Church of Winter Park

Lifetime Member – Metropolitan Atlanta Chamber of Commerce

Lifetime Member – Marine Corps Reserve Officer’s Association and the Military Officer’s Association of America

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August 6, 2009

Mr. Tico Perez  
Board of Governors  
State University System of Florida  
325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1614  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400

**RE: *Nomination of Mark Hillis to serve on Board of Trustees***

Dear Mr. Perez:

I am a 1970 graduate of the F.S.U. Business School and have worked with Mark and Nan Hillis on many F.S.U. related boards. I have known Mark Hillis and his wife, Nan, for about twenty years. Mark was an outstanding banker in Atlanta before retiring and Nan is the current President of BB&T Banks Central Florida operations.

More importantly, both have a long affiliation of service to and concern for Florida State University. Both of them have been actively involved for years in both Alumni Association and F.S.U. Foundation matters. Mark is well-versed in education and financial matters.

Mark Hillis would be an excellent person to serve on the Board of Trustees of F.S.U.

Very truly yours,

  
HUGO H. de BEAUBIEN

HHB/dj

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**Davis, Linda**

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**From:** McDermott, Shannon  
**Sent:** Friday, October 02, 2009 7:49 AM  
**To:** Bestebreurtje, Mikey  
**Cc:** Davis, Linda  
**Subject:** FW: Recommendation

Do you need to have these?

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**From:** Keri [mailto:[Keri@JamesMadison.org](mailto:Keri@JamesMadison.org)] **On Behalf Of** JMI  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 01, 2009 4:39 PM  
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**Subject:** Recommendation

The purpose of this letter is to give my strong recommendation to Mark Hillis who is a candidate for appointment to the FSU Board of Trustees. Mark is a long-time, devoted servant of the University who is, in my opinion, qualified like no other person I know to be appointed as a University trustee.

I have called Dr. Zachariah with my recommendation and he urged me to put my thoughts in writing to be sent to the relevant BOG people.

Thanks very much.

J. Stanley Marshall