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Board of Governors

Application Form
University Board of Trustees Position
State University System of Florida

Name: Saco (Last) Louis (First) Stephen (Middle and/or Maiden) **Date Completed:** August 9, 2010

INSTRUCTIONS

The information submitted will be used by the Board of Governors in considering action on your application. If appointed, please be advised that your appointment is subject to confirmation by the Florida Senate and you will be required to file an annual financial disclosure statement with the Florida Commission on Ethics.

Please type or print clearly. Please do not leave any questions blank - answer "none" or "not applicable" where appropriate.

All applications must be signed and witnessed by a Notary. Submit the original completed application via mail, email, or facsimile by the posted deadline to:

State University System of Florida, Board of Governors
325 W. Gaines Street, Suite 1614
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400
Fax 850.245.9685 Chancellor@flbog.edu

PLEASE NOTE: any application submitted by facsimile or email must be received by the posted deadline and followed by the original signed application to above address.

EXCLUSIONS

The following conditions exclude eligibility for appointment as a University Board of Trustee member.

Registered Lobbyist: No ☑ Yes ☐ **Dual Office Holding:** No ☑ Yes ☐

Authority:
Section 112.313(17), Florida Statutes, prohibits any citizen member of a university board of trustees from having any employment or contractual relationship as a legislative lobbyist requiring annual registration under section 11.045, Florida Statutes.

Article II, section 5(a) of the Florida Constitution prohibits any person from holding more than one office under the government of the state, counties, and municipalities at the same time, except for certain exclusions stated therein (notary public, military officer, member of a statutory body having only advisory powers, etc.)

EXEMPTION FROM PUBLIC RECORDS

AS A GENERAL MATTER, APPLICATIONS FOR ALL POSITIONS WITHIN STATE GOVERNMENT ARE PUBLIC RECORDS THAT MAY BE VIEWED UPON REQUEST. HOWEVER, THERE ARE SOME EXEMPTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC RECORDS LAW FOR CERTAIN 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, Board of Governors
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Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400
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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: Saco (Last) Louis (First) Stephen (Middle and/or Maiden) **Date Completed:** August 9, 2010

1. **University Board of Interest:** Are you applying for reappointment? Yes ☐ No ☑

FAMU ☐ FAU ☐ FGCU ☐ FIU ☐ FSU ☐ NCF ☐ UCF ☐ UF ☐ UNF ☐ USF ☑ UWF ☐

2. **Residence Address:** [redacted] (Street) Lakeland (City) FL (State) Polk (County) 33813 (Zip Code)

863 646 6673 (Area Code/Phone) 863 670 4156 (Cell Phone)

3. **Current Employer or Occupation:** Watson Clinic LLP - Physician/CEO/Chairman of the Board

Business Address: 1600 Lakeland Hills Boulevard (Street) Office Lakeland (City) FL (State)

PO Box 95000 (Post Office Box) Suite 33804 (Zip Code) 863 680 7687 (Area Code/Phone Number)

lsaco@watsonclinic.com (E-mail Address)

4. **Specify the preferred mailing address:** Business ☑ Home ☐ Fax # 863 680 7982

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

Address	City and State	From	To
[redacted]	Lakeland, FL	1995	Present

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

Address	City and State	From	To

7. **Date of Birth:** [redacted] * **Place of Birth:** New Jersey *

8. **Social Security No.:** [redacted] *

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

*ALL INFORMATION MARKED WITH AN ASTERIK IS REQUIRED FOR CONDUCTING BACKGROUND SCREENING AND WILL BE REDACTED PRIOR TO DISTRIBUTION OF THE APPLICATION TO THE TRUSTEE NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS. REFER TO ATTACHED NOTICE ON USE OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS.

10. **Have you ever been known by any other legal name?** Yes☐ No☑ If "Yes" explain.

11. **Are you a United States citizen?** Yes☑ No☐ If "No" explain.

12. **If you are a naturalized citizen, date of naturalization:** _____

13. **Since what year have you been a continuous resident of Florida?** 1981

14. **Are you a registered Florida voter?** Yes☑ No☐

15. **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:

Date	Place	Nature	Disposition

16. **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

17. **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☐

18. **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?

19. **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.

20. **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", explain.

21. **Have you ever been refused a fidelity, surety, performance, or other bond?** Yes☐ No☑
If "Yes", explain.

EDUCATION, LICENSURE, MEMBERSHIPS

22. **Education**:

A. High School: Xavier Jesuit HighSchool, 30 W. 16th St., NY, NY 10011 Year Graduated: 1968
(Name and Location)

B. List all postsecondary educational institutions attended:

Name and Location	Date Attended	Certificates/Degrees Received
See attached sheet.		

23. **Have you received any degree(s) or professional certification(s) related to the subject matter of this appointment?** Yes☑ No☐ If "Yes", list:

Medical Doctor
Fellow, American College of Physcians
Masters in Business Administration

24. **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:

License/Certificate Title & Number	Original Issue Date	Issuing Authority	Disciplinary Action/Date
[redacted]	1981	Florida Dept of Health	

25. **Identify all association memberships and association offices held by you that relate to this appointment:**
See attached sheet.

26. **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
See attached sheet.			

27. **Are you now, or have you within the past four (4) 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.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY AND PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

28. **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:**

Employer Name and Address	Type of Business	Occupation/Title	Period of Employment
Watson Clinic LLP	Multi-Specialty Group Practice	CEO/Chairman of Bd	2002 - Present
Watson Clinic LLP	Full-Time Gastroenterolo Practice	Partner	1983 - Present

29. **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:

Position	Employing Agency	Period of Employment

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

Watson Clinic LLP - Board of Directors - 1998 - 2000

Watson Clinic LLP - Chairman - Board of Directors - 2000 - Present

Watson Clinic Foundation, Chairman, Board of Directors - 2000 - Present

Lakeland Surgical & Diagnostic Center, Medical Director & Member, Governing Board - 1995 - Present

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

A. Dates of service: _____

B. Branch or component: _____

C. Date and type of discharge: _____

32 **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:

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33. **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: _____

34. **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):

Office Title	Date of Election or Appointment	Term of Office	Level of Government

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).

Meetings Attended	Meetings Missed	Reason for Absence

35. **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.
See attached sheet.

36. **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", please 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:

Agency Lobbied	Principals Represented

37. **Describe your experiences and interests or elements of your personal history that qualify you for this appointment.**
See attached sheet.

38. **Describe your understanding of the role of a member of a university board of trustees.**
See attached sheet.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST

39. **Describe any involvement with and/or relationship to the university to which you are applying (other than as a student).**
Volunteer Faculty of the Department of Internal Medicine, University of South Florida, College of Medicine

40. **Have you, or any business of which you have been an owner, officer, or employee, held any employment or contractual relationship during the last four (4) years with the university to which you are seeking appointment?** Yes☑ No☐ If "Yes", identify:

Name of Business	Your Relationship to Business	Business' Relationship to University
Watson Clinic LLP	CEO/Chairman of the Board	Ltd Affiliation Agrmt-College of Medicine
		(Orthopaedic Surgery Residency)
		(Medical Student LCE Program)
Watson Clinic LLP	Ceo/Chairman of the Board	Affiliation Agrmt - College of Nursing

41. **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 employment or contractual relationship during the last four (4) years with the university to which you are seeking appointment?** Yes☐ No☑ If "Yes", explain:

Name of Business	Family Member's Relationship to you	Family Member's Relationship to Business	Business' Relationship to University

42. **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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REFERENCES

43. **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
See attached sheet.			

CERTIFICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF POLK

Before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Louis S. SACO, MD who after being duly sworn, says: 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 the undersigned understands that a background check by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement will be performed on all nominees who are recommended to the Florida Board of Governors and that he/she has received a copy of the Board of Governors' Statement on the Collection, Use or Release of Social Security Numbers.

Louis S. Saco, M.D.
Affiant's signature

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this 11 day of August, 2010, by Louis S. SACO, MD.

Diane Black Stepanic
(signature of notary)

DIANE BLACK STEPANIC
MY COMMISSION # DD621414
EXPIRES January 08 2011
(407)398-0153 FloridaNotaryService.com

Diane Black Stepanic
(typed, printed or stamped name)
Notary Public
Commission No.: DD621414
My Commission Expires: January 8, 2011

Personally Known ✓ OR Produced Identification _____

Type of Identification Produced _____

Statement on the Collection, Use, or Release of Social Security Numbers

Florida law requires that public entities provide individuals with a written statement identifying the state or federal law governing the collection, use, or release of social security numbers for each purpose for which the entity collects an individual's social security number. The collection of social security numbers by the Board of Governors is either specifically authorized by law or imperative for the performance of the Board's responsibilities as prescribed by law and the Florida Constitution. The following list identifies the purposes for which social security numbers may be collected, used, or released, and the pertinent authority:

1. For employment eligibility and reports to IRS and the Social Security Administration, including for W-4's and I-9s [Required by federal statute and regulation 26 U.S.C. 6051 and 26 C.F.R. 31.6011(b)-2, 26 C.F.R. 301.6109-1 and 31.3402(f)(2)-1, and Fla. Stat. §119.071(5) (a) 6]

2. To verify an alien's eligibility for employment, including I-9 [Authorized by 8 U.S.C. 1324 a(b) and 8 C.F.R. 274a.2]

3. For income tax withholding (including for annuity and sick leave)/payroll deductions on W-2's [Required by 26 U.S.C. 3402, 26 C.F.R. 31.6051-1 and Fla. Stat. §119.071(5) (a) 6]

4. For enrollment/participation in the Florida Retirement System (FRS) and contributions to FRS (Required by Fla. Admin. Code 19-11.010, 19-11.006 and 19- 11.007 and Fla. Stat. §119.071(5) (a) 6 or required by Fla. Stat. §121.051 and 121.071 and Fla. Admin. Code 19-13.003 and Fla. Stat. § 119.071(5) (a) 6]

5. For Level 1 and level 2 criminal background checks conducted by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement for employees and/or Board appointees to university boards of trustees [Required by Fla. Admin. Code 11C-6.003 and Fla. Stat. § 119.071(5) (a) 6]

6. For social security contributions [Required by Fla. Admin. Code 60S-3.010 and Fla. Stat. §119.071(5) (a) 6]

7. For income deduction notices for child support, alimony and child support, and for child support enforcement [Required by Fla. Stat. § 61.1301 (2) (e), 45 C.F.R. 307.11, or Fla. Stat. §§ 61.13, 742.10, 409.2563, 409.256, or 742.031]

8. For unemployment compensation benefits [Required by Fla. Stat. Ch. 443 and Fla. Stat. §119.071(5)(a)6]

9. Reports of worker's compensation injury or death [Required by Fla. Stat. § 440.185, Fla. Admin. Code 69L-3.003 et seq. and Fla. Stat. § 119.071(5) (a) 6]; and worker's compensation petitions for benefits and responses [Authorized by Fla. Admin. Code 60Q-6.103 and Fla. Stat. § 119.071(5) (a) 6]

10. Vendors/Consultants for whom a federal tax identification number is not available. [Required by 26 C.F.R. § 31.3406-0, 26 C.F.R. § 301.6109-1, and Fla. Stat. §119.071 (5) (a) 6]

11. The disclosure of the social security number is for the purpose of the administration of health benefits for a Board employee or his or her dependents [Required by Fla. Stat. § 119.071(5) (a) 6]

12. Authorization for direct deposit of funds by electronic or other medium to a payee's account [Required by Fla. Stat. § 119.071(5) (a) 6]

13. Tort claims and tort notices of claim against the Board of Governors [Required by Fla. Stat. § 768.28 (6), and Fla. Stat. § 119.071(5) (a)]

14. Collection and/or disclosure is imperative or necessary for the performance of the Board's constitutional duties and responsibilities, including but not limited to collection of student and employee data from state universities. [Authorized by Sections 483 and 484 of the Higher Education Act of 1965, Art. IX, s. 7, Fla. Const., BOG Regulation 3.007, Fla. Stat. § 1001.706(4)(c), and Fla. Stat. § 119.071(5) (a) 6]

15. The disclosure of the social security number is expressly required by federal or state law or a court order [Authorized by Fla. Stat. § 119.071(5) (a) 6]

16. The individual expressly consents in writing to the disclosure of his or her social security number [Authorized by Fla. Stat. § 119.071(5) (a) 6]

17. The disclosure of the social security number is made to a commercial entity for the permissible uses set forth in the federal Driver's Privacy Protection Act of 1994, 18 U.S.C. Sec. 2721 et seq.; the Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 1681 et seq.; or the Financial Services Modernization Act of 1999, 15 U.S.C. Sec. 6801 et seq., provided that the authorized commercial entity complies with the requirements of Fla. Stat. § 119.071(5) [Authorized by Fla. Stat. § 119.071(5) (a) 6]

22. Education

B. List all postsecondary educational institutions attended:

Saint Peter's College	Jersey City, NJ	1968-1972	Bachelor of Science, Biology
Georgetown University	Washington, DC	1972-1976	Medical Doctor
Georgetown University	Washington, DC	1976-1979	Internship & Residency, Internal Medicine
University of North Carolina	Chapel Hill, NC	1979-1981	Fellow, Gastroenterology
University of South Florida	Tampa, FL	1992-1994	Master of Business Administration

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

Alpha Omega Alpha, National Medical Honor Society
Beta Gama Sigma, Honor Society for Collegiate Schools of Business
Team Physician, Detroit Tigers Major League Baseball Team (Spring Training) and Lakeland Tigers Minor League Baseball Team
Florida Medical Association
Fellow, American College of Physicians
Fellow, American College of Gastroenterology
Fellow, American Gastroenterological Association
American College of Physician Executives
American Society for Gastrointestinal Endoscopy
American College of Sports Medicine
Florida Gastroenterology Society
Polk County Medical Association

26. 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).

Watson Clinic LLP (1981–Present)
1600 Lakeland Hills Boulevard
Lakeland, FL 33805

Lakeland Surgical & Diagnostic Center, LLP (1995–Present)
1315 North Florida Avenue
Lakeland, FL 33805

Chairman's Circle (2004–Present)
Lakeland Chamber of Commerce
P.O. Box 3607
Lakeland, FL 33802-3607

35. Have you ever served on any profit or not-for-profit board? If "Yes", state the title, date of appointment, length of service, and provide a brief description of your involvement.

Chairman of the Board, Watson Clinic Board of Directors (2002 – Present)
Member, Board of Directors, Lakeland Surgical & Diagnostic Center (1995 – Present)
Member, Board of Directors, Center for Cancer Care and Research (2004 – Present)
Member, Board of Directors, Watson Clinic, LLP – Lakeland Regional Medical Center Medical Services Board (HSSI) (1998 – Present)
Member, Board of Directors, Volunteers in Service to the Elderly [VISTE] (2004-Present)
Member, Board of Trustees, Florida Southern College (2005-Present)

Member, Advisory Board, Learning Resource Center (2008)
Past-President of the Board of Directors, Lakeland Regional Medical Center Foundation
Former Member, Board of Directors, All Saints Academy, College Preparatory School
Former Member, Community Advisory Board, The Junior League of Greater Lakeland
Former Member, Board of Directors of Chet Lemon School of Baseball, Orlando, Florida
Former Member, Board of Directors, Tampa Bay Partnership (2004)
Former Member Board of Directors, Lakeland Chamber of Commerce
Former Vice-Chairman, Board of Directors, Lakeland Chamber of Commerce

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

I am the Chief Executive Officer of the Watson Clinic, one of Florida's largest medical groups, with over 225 board-certified physicians representing 40 medical and surgical specialties, 16 locations in Polk, Hillsborough and Pasco counties, and more than 1500 employees. Having served in this capacity since 2002, I would bring unique insight and perspective to the Board, particularly in matters concerning the USF College of Medicine, USF Health and the medical community at large.

Receiving my Masters of Business Administration from the USF Physician MBA Program has afforded me the distinction of being one of a select group of physicians in the area to hold an MBA in addition to my medical degree which I attained from Georgetown University. This added business expertise has proven to be invaluable in my ability to manage the business and administrative side of the Watson Clinic while maintaining a full-time Gastroenterology practice of my own. Under my leadership, the Watson Clinic has been recognized by the Tampa Bay Business Journal as one of the best medical group practices in the region. In 2004, I was awarded "Who's Who" in Healthcare in the Tampa Bay area.

During my tenure at the Watson Clinic, I have consistently supported collaboration between the Watson Clinic and USF – whether by steering the Watson Clinic's involvement in the USF Orthopedic Residency training program, working closely with Dr. Klasko and his staff advocating for the paper-free project that transitions our industry towards an electronic medical record and e-prescribing, or by mentoring medical students through USF's Longitudinal Clinical Experience program. These efforts will hopefully benefit the future of healthcare in our communities for many years to come.

Research is the well-spring of medicine. I would bring to the Board of Trustees a passion for research, scientific discovery and education.

I greatly enjoy sports and have been the team physician for the Detroit Tigers Major League Baseball Florida Operations for Spring Training since 1985. I therefore in addition bring my experience with professional sports to the USF Board of Trustees.

I have had a keen interest in USF College of Medicine's medical education over the past ten years. I would greatly enjoy an even deeper commitment to all of the endeavors of USF.

38. Describe your understanding of the role of a member of a university board of trustees.

I believe a USF Board of Trustees member has the privilege and responsibility to further the positive reach and ethical reputation of the university, and to maintain and enhance the standards of academic excellence.

Serving on the USF Board of Trustees would be a tremendous honor, and I would be grateful for the opportunity to give back to USF, the institution that has meant so much to me personally. I believe in USF's mission and purpose. As a member of the Board of Trustees, I would demonstrate the commitment and dedication required to lead the University of South Florida into the future. I would give strong support to President Genshaft, Dr. Klasko and the Board of Trustees of USF in their all important efforts to continue to establish USF as an institution of excellence in education.

43. 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.

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