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Position Title (if applicable)	Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer [REDACTED]
Years of Service with Ramapo College (if applicable)	N/A
I am interested in serving on the 2021 Presidential Search Committee as a representative of the:	RCNJ Alumni Association
Please select one:	As a representative of the RCNJ Alumni, I affirm that this nomination has the endorsement of the RCNJ Alumni Association.
Affirmation of Understanding	I have reviewed and I accept the 2021 Presidential Search Committee Charge, Statement of Understanding for Committee Members, and Search Process Timeline.
Reason for Service. Please describe why you are interested in serving on the 2021 Presidential Search Committee and how you may add value and insight to the Committee's process and deliberations. (500 word maximum)	There are several things that drive my interest in serving on the 2021 Presidential Search Committee for Ramapo College. The first is personal. As a 1977 graduate of Ramapo who is also the father of a 2013 alumnae of the college, I have remained engaged through the Alumni Board and through the Ice Hockey alumni activities and as a donor. I say with the utmost sincerity that Ramapo was a transformative force in my own life and, I believe, in the lives of many others who benefited from its unique approach to liberal arts education, multi-disciplinary academic pathways and an unrelenting commitment to student success, always with a focus on helping students to fully realize their individual talents throughout their academic journey. These elements have remained a differentiator for Ramapo College throughout its 50 year evolution and as a member of the search committee I would be honored to help select a leader capable of preserving these core values for future generations of students. In addition, I bring nearly four decades of higher education leadership experience to the committee on both the academic and administrative sides of the academy with deep experience and expertise in learner-centric instructional methods, institutional research and effectiveness, and technology strategy and innovation. As such I am confident that I can help identify a leader capable of engaging and communicating in this digital era who fully understands the strategic value of technology and its role in digitally transforming Ramapo, thereby positioning it to compete, thrive and grow amid the changing demographics of the student population, and competition from online programs around the world. And finally, for the past five years I have been the Senior Vice President for New Jersey's not-for-

profit research and education network and technology center serving state's colleges and universities. This role has given me a unique perspective on the higher education landscape in New Jersey and the region as well as an understanding and appreciation of the challenges and opportunities facing the community and its leaders. Technological forces have forever transformed the business of higher education and with my experience in this domain I am able to help identify a leader who can navigate the realities of a digitized world, while preparing students for productive careers in our gig economy which is driven by advances in data science, machine learning, and artificial intelligence.

continue to have a deep appreciation for its enduring values unique approach to liberal arts education. Throughout its fifty year maintaining a deep appreciation for the unique and enduring values of a deep appreciation for the

Vision for the Search. Please describe your vision for the search process. (350 word maximum)

The search process will convene a committee with broad and diverse backgrounds and perspectives and an appreciation for the context in which this search is taking place. The firm engaged to do carry out the search will excel in its ability to draw out from the members of the search committee their priorities for the future of the college and map these to the attributes articulated for Ramapo's next President. The opportunities to observe the candidates under consideration will be both formal and informal, structured and unstructured formats.

Top Five. Please describe what you believe to be the top five characteristics/capabilities needed in the next College president. (350 word maximum)

1. A digital leader - that is, an individual who can effectively communicate and engage in the digital era with a deep understanding of the power of digital media and marketing to attract and retain talented faculty, staff and students
 2. An individual who can sift through the noise of social media and communicate the value proposition of a liberal arts education to prospective students, government leaders and employers and benefactors from all these categories
 3. An individual capable of forming and maintaining strong alliances with the corporate community to both inform program (curriculum) development and be a pipeline for non-traditional learners needing to retool for the rapidly changing world of work
 4. A collaborative and innovative leader willing to take risks and seize opportunities for competitive advantage
 5. A leader with an analytical mind and a data driven decision maker
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