



**Alachua County Library District Administration**

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Please specify which entity you wish to be appointed to represent (check one of the following):

City of Gainesville:  Alachua County:  \*League of Cities: N/A

Do you reside within the Corporate Limits of the City of Gainesville? Yes  No  If yes, would you like to also be considered for the Alachua County vacancy? Yes  No

Do you reside within Alachua County? Yes  No

Name: (Last, First, Middle) Rice, Ralph Wilson \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: 4414 NW 8<sup>th</sup> Place \_\_\_\_\_  
City: Gainesville \_\_\_\_\_ State: Florida \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: 32605 \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: (Home) 352/381-1952 \_\_\_\_\_ (Business) (None) \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: riceral@ufl.edu

Occupation/Position: Retired—Previous: Associate Professor (Emeritus) \_\_\_\_\_  
Employer: University of Florida College of Medicine \_\_\_\_\_  
Address of Employer: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: Gainesville \_\_\_\_\_ State: Florida \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code 32610 \_\_\_\_\_

**Training/experience:**

Although I have no formal training in libraries, I am very accustomed to libraries through my education in microbiology and medicine. Knowledge of libraries and their resources were necessary in my studies and becoming knowledgeable in my profession. I have an undergraduate degree in microbiology (Univ South Fla, 1979), and undergraduate degree in Health Sciences (Physician Assistant, Univ Fla, 1991), master's degree in Physician Assistant Studies (Univ Nebraska, 1997), and a doctorate in Health Sciences (Nova Southeastern Univ, 2009). In addition to my 29 years of clinical practice, I was a faculty member at three major universities for 22 years. During that time, I taught students, along with librarians, in the use of the library. This helped students frame clinical questions and search data bases to provide state-of-the-art patient care.

**What contributions do you feel you could make to the Board of Trustees if you are selected?**

I will continue to advocate for libraries, community, college, and university, as an integral community resource. I will assist in whatever task is necessary to help achieve this goal. I am familiar through my work and volunteer efforts to become a leader and part of a team.

\*The Alachua County League of Cities (ACLOC) is made up of elected representatives from each municipality in Alachua County. An ACLOC appointee was added to the Board of Trustees primarily to insure a voice for the small municipalities in Alachua County.

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### Education Background

**College/Higher Education**  
**High School**

**Date of Graduation:** 12/2009 **Degree:** Doctor of Health Sciences  
**Date of Graduation:** 6/1969 **Degree:** HS Diploma

### Civic/Professional Organizations

(include participation in previous boards and committees)

Member of Friends of the Library, book sorter and table coordinator for the history section  
Medical provider and student preceptor for UF Mobile Outreach Clinic, an indigent care clinic in Gainesville (pro bono)  
Volunteer lecturer and laboratory instructor for physician assistant students (pro bono)  
Retired Associate Dean and Director (Dept. Chair), School of Physician Assistant Studies, Univ Fla College of Medicine, awarded Emeritus status upon retirement  
During academic career, member of Executive Committee, Ethics Committee, Continuing Medical Education Advisory Committee (Chair), Educational Affairs Committee, Operations (all Univ Fla), Promotion and Tenure Committee, Departmental Committee on Professionalism (Wake Forest Univ), Faculty Senate and Faculty Senate Rules Committee (Missouri State Univ), among other university, college and departmental committees  
Distinguished Fellow, American Academy of Physician Assistants  
Fellow, Florida Academy of Physician Assistants  
Former member, Physician Assistant Education Association—Founding member of the Ethics Council (served 6 years)  
Peer reviewer for major physician assistant journals

### References

Name	Phone	Business/ Occupation	Address
Mr. Peter J. Van Blokland	352/317-5954	Retired, current President, Friends of the Library	625 SE 119 Ave Micanopy, FL 32667 <a href="mailto:pjvb@ufl.edu">pjvb@ufl.edu</a>
Ms. Jodi Gentry	352/392-1075	Vice President for Human Resources, Univ of Florida	Univ Florida Human Resources 903 West University Avenue Gainesville, FL 32601-5117 <a href="mailto:jodi-gentry@ufl.edu">jodi-gentry@ufl.edu</a>
Ms. Michelle Nall	352/281-3092	Nurse Practitioner	Mobile Outreach Clinic Univ Florida College of Medicine PO Box 100249 Gainesville, FL 32610-001 <a href="mailto:Michelle.Nall@medicine.ufl.edu">Michelle.Nall@medicine.ufl.edu</a>

If you have any additional information, such as a resume, please attach. \*\*Please see attached abbreviated CV. Complete academic CV available upon request\*\*

Are you willing to attend meetings in accordance with the bylaws of the Board of Trustees (see the attached Board of Trustees Bylaws and Board of Trustees Position Description)?  Yes  No

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: 1/25/2020

NAME: Ralph W. Rice

CURRENT OCCUPATION: Retired

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EDUCATION: Doctor of Health Sciences, Nova Southeastern University      2009  
M.P.A.S. University of Nebraska      1997  
B. H. S. University of Florida      1991  
B.A. University of South Florida      1979

UNIFORMED SERVICE: United States Navy  
September 1969-June 1976, Honorable Discharge

PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION:  
Florida Department of Health, Medical Quality Assurance  
Physician Assistant License #9107196      2013-Present  
  
Previously licensed in North Carolina (2007-2016), Missouri (2001- 2006),  
Alaska (1998), and Florida (1992-2001)  
  
National Commission on the Certification of Physician Assistants,  
Certificate #1023096 (Active)      1991-Present

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:  
University of Florida      2011-2018 (retired)  
Wake Forest University      2006-2010  
Missouri State University      1999-2006  
University of Florida      1994-1997, 1998-1999

CLINICAL WORK:  
Mobile Outreach Clinic      2013-Present  

- Associated with University of Florida College of Medicine
- Provide primary care to patients in a free clinic (*pro bono*) and precept physician assistant and medical students

  
Community Care Center for Forsyth County (NC)      2009-2010  

- Provide primary care to patients at a free clinic (*pro bono*)

  
Taylor Health and Wellness Center at Missouri State University      2006

St John's Regional Health Center Emergency Trauma Center (MO)	2001-2006
University of Florida College of Medicine	1999
Shands Hospital at the University of Florida Heart and Lung Transplant	1998-1999
North Star Health Clinic (Alaska).	1998
Baptist Medical Center (Jacksonville)	1996-1998
Shands Hospital at the University of Florida	1994-1998
Naval Hospital (Jacksonville)	1992-1994
University Medical Center (Jacksonville)	1991-1992

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP and SERVICE:**

Fellow-American Academy of Physician Assistants	1991-Present
Fellow-Florida Academy of Physician Assistants	1991-1999 2011-Present
Physician Assistant Educators Association	1995-1998 1999-2018
Member-Physician Assistant Education Association Ethics Council	2013-2017
Reviewer and Evaluator for Physician Assistant Education Association Student Writing Competition	2008-2018
Peer reviewer for three (3) major physician assistant journals	
Author or co-author on 26 peer-reviewed, published medical and scientific articles	
Faculty advisor to 37 graduate students on capstone project	

**CURRENT VOLUNTEER WORK:**

Lecturer and laboratory instructor for physician assistant students  
 Clinical work for the Mobile Outreach Clinic (*pro bono*)  
 Friends of the Library—table coordinator for the History section

Complete list of publications, presentations, employment, and professional appointments will be provided upon request