



# MCIT Board of Directors Is No Ordinary Board

In 1979, a small group of counties created Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust to provide cost-effective coverage for their operations. Since then, MCIT's membership has grown to more than 470 public entities across the state, including 81 of Minnesota's 87 counties. MCIT's mission has expanded from providing workers' compensation coverage to offering property and liability coverages, as well as a host of tailored risk management and loss control services. This evolution has positioned MCIT to be a nationally recognized example of the benefits of governmental risk pooling.

Oversight is the responsibility of the MCIT Board of Directors, which is comprised of eight county commissioners or

auditors/auditor-treasurers elected to four-year terms by the membership. A ninth seat is appointed to a two-year term by the board chair and held by a county administrator/coordinator.

The board works closely with a skilled staff of underwriting, claims, finance and risk control professionals. MCIT is a creative, responsive, multifaceted organization that requires a creative, responsive and multifaceted board. Each board member contributes to setting the strategic direction of the organization, and shares a passion and commitment to assisting members while ensuring MCIT's continued financial stability, growth and success.



**Ron Antony**  
MCIT BOARD CHAIR  
*Yellow Medicine County Commissioner*  
First elected December 2017



**Don Wachal**  
MCIT BOARD VICE CHAIR  
*Jackson County Commissioner*  
First elected December 2019



**Randy Schreifels**  
MCIT BOARD SECRETARY-TREASURER  
*Stearns County Auditor-treasurer*  
First elected December 2013



**Lindsey Meyer**  
MCIT BOARD MEMBER  
*Wright County Auditor-treasurer*  
First elected December 2024



**Kurt Mortenson**  
MCIT BOARD MEMBER  
*Otter Tail County Commissioner*  
First elected December 2022



**Todd Patzer**  
MCIT BOARD MEMBER  
*Lac qui Parle County Commissioner*  
First appointed February 2023



**Brett Skyles**  
MCIT BOARD MEMBER  
*Itasca County Administrator*  
First appointed February 2023



**Jack Swanson**  
MCIT BOARD MEMBER  
*Roseau County Commissioner*  
First elected December 2020



**Marcia Ward**  
MCIT BOARD MEMBER  
*Winona County Commissioner*  
First elected December 2020

# MCIT Board of Directors Application

Thank you for your interest in serving on the MCIT Board of Directors. Please complete and submit the following application to MCIT. An MCIT representative will contact you to discuss your application and the board member election process.

Certain information requested and collected by the Minnesota Counties Intergovernmental Trust (MCIT) during the MCIT board of directors application process is classified as private data under the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act (MGDPA). The private information may be used by MCIT to:

- Contact the applicant
- Evaluate the applicant's eligibility for election to the board of directors
- Provide information regarding your qualifications and interest in serving on the MCIT Board of Directors

You are not legally required to provide any of the information requested as part of the board of directors application process. However, failure to provide complete, accurate information may result in MCIT being unable to make a determination as to eligibility to stand for the board of directors election or to contact you about your application.

The information you provide that is classified as private data under the MGDPA may be released to MCIT board members, employees and agents whose job duties reasonably require access to the data and to the MCIT membership and public with your permission.

**Applicant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**For which MCIT board seat are you applying (e.g., Seat A or B)? Only complete if more than one seat is up for election.** \_\_\_\_\_

**County You Represent:** \_\_\_\_\_ **County Position:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Length of Time in Current Position:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**1. Why are you interested in serving as an MCIT board member?**

**2. What skills and/or experience do you possess that would enable you to contribute meaningfully as an MCIT board member?**

**3. Which of the following best describes your approach to decision making? Choose one.**

\_\_\_\_ Consensus building

\_\_\_\_ Idea oriented and future thinking

\_\_\_\_ Decision and results driven

\_\_\_\_ Detail oriented and organized

**4. Identify boards on which you have served, including the name(s) of the organization(s), date(s) of service and officer position(s) held.**

5. Comment on any opportunities you have had to engage or intersect with MCIT in your position with an MCIT member county.

6. The MCIT Board of Directors meets 11-12 times annually. Meetings are generally held in St. Paul the second Friday of the month beginning at 9 a.m. and concluding at noon. Additionally, there are two-day board work sessions scheduled around board meetings in the spring and fall. If elected/appointed to the MCIT board, does this schedule present any challenges for you?

\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

Comment:

By my signature, I grant MCIT permission to release information that I have provided on this application (excluding question 6) to the MCIT membership and the public, including posting on the MCIT website, as part of the election process.

I understand that failure to grant this permission will result in MCIT being unable to publicize my qualifications for serving on the MCIT Board of Directors.

Questions about this application and the permission to release data may be directed to MCIT Executive Director Steve Nelson at **651.209.6411** or [snelson@mcit.org](mailto:snelson@mcit.org).

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