

MEMORANDUM

To: Jared Anderson, Chair, Blount County Commission

Ed Mitchell, Mayor, Blount County

From: Bryan Daniels, President & CEO

Date: August 28, 2025

Re: Board Member Appointment for the

Smoky Mountain Tourism Development Authority

The Smoky Mountain Tourism Development Authority requests the appointment of one candidate to fill an upcoming six-year term vacancy on the Board of Directors. The candidates are ranked in order of preference. They are as follows:

Smoky Mountain Tourism Development Authority – Six-year Term

- Stephen Deucker, Vice President & General Manager, Cirrus Vision Center
- Hamilton Martinez, General Manager, Hilton Knoxville Airport
- Trevis Gardner, Co-Founder & Principal, Blockhouse Services Group

We have also included biographical information on each candidate for your reference. Your consideration of this request at your next meeting is greatly appreciated.