

United States Department of Agriculture  
**ADVISORY COMMITTEE OR RESEARCH AND PROMOTION**  
**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**  
**U.S. Highbush Blueberry Council - Industry Member**

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**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY OR TYPE**

1. Name (Last, First, Middle) – Mr., Mrs., Miss., Ms., Dr.	2. Social Security Number: <i>Are you a U.S. Citizen? Mark yes or no</i> ___(yes)___(no) <i>If no, please provide passport number and issuing country:</i> <i>(foreign citizens only)</i>
3. Residential Address (include ZIP code):	4. Business No.  Home No:  Cell or Mobile:  FAX:  e-Mail Address:
5. Place of Birth:	6. Date of Birth:
7. <i>This information is Voluntary and data will not be used to grant preferential treatment.</i> (See last page for definition of categories.)	
What is your gender?	Ethnicity:
___ Male	___ Hispanic or Latino
___ Female	___ Not Hispanic or Latino
What is your race? <i>(Mark one or more)</i>	
___ American Indian or Alaska Native	
___ Asian	
___ Black or African American	
___ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	
___ White	
8. Company/Business Name:	8a. Are you a federally registered lobbyist?
9. Company/Business Address (include ZIP Code):	9a. Occupation/Title:

**10. To be Completed by Producers Only**

How long have you been engaged in **production** of highbush blueberries? \_\_\_\_\_

How many pounds of highbush blueberries did you **produce** last year? \_\_\_\_\_

**To be Completed by Handlers, Importers & Exporters Only**

How long have you been engaged in the **handling** of highbush blueberries? \_\_\_\_\_

How many pounds of highbush blueberries did you **handle** last year? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been engaged in **importing** highbush blueberries? \_\_\_\_\_

How many pounds of highbush blueberries did you **import** last year? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you been engaged in **exporting** highbush blueberries into the United States? \_\_\_\_\_

How many pounds of highbush blueberries did you **export** into the United States last year? \_\_\_\_\_

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10a. If applicable, how long have you been engaged in farming or production, and what is the size of your farming operation. (i.e. List acreage and pounds produced by kind of crop, as well as, kinds and numbers of livestock?)

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11. List your business experience. *(Use the Continuation Sheet for additional space to answer.)*

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12. List education and any specialized experience. *(Use the Continuation Sheet for additional space to answer.)*

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13. List applicable farm/handler/producer/importer or co-op member industry organizations (indicate whether a member or officer and how long affiliated).

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14. List other affiliations and/or service as a community leader that would benefit you in your role as a member of the advisory committee or research and promotion board/council.

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15. List any Federal advisory committee or board on which you are currently a member and the number of years you have served on that committee or board. *(To be completed by current Advisory Committee Members Only)*

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16. List sources of income in excess of \$10,000 for the past calendar year from other than your primary employment. List only sources; do not show amounts of income from each source. *(To be completed by Advisory Committee Nominees Only)*

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17. Have you ever been convicted of a felony? (A felony is defined as any violation of law punishable by imprisonment of longer than one year). ( ) Yes ( ) No. If yes, please explain on the attached continuation sheet.

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18. As a result of your participation in Federal programs, have any judgments been rendered against you? As a result of participation in any governmental programs relative to the purposes of the advisory committee or research and promotion board/council for which you are a nominee, have any civil or criminal actions been initiated against you?  
( ) Yes ( ) No. If yes, please explain on the attached continuation sheet.

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19. Name as you would prefer it to appear on official correspondence.

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Signature

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Date

**Continuation Sheet for Form AD-755**

If you need more space for an answer, use this sheet. Please number each answer to correspond to the number on Form AD-755. When you have completed your answer(s), attach to Form AD-755.

**U.S. Highbush Blueberry Council**

Name (Last, First, Middle) \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security or Passport Number: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Definition of Ethnicity and Race Categories

### **Ethnicity:**

*Hispanic or Latino.* A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

### **Race:**

*American Indian or Alaska Native* – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment.

*Asian* – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.

*Black or African American* – A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa.

*Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander* – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.

*White* – A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East or North Africa.