

10 Questions to Ask Before Serving on a Board

1. Do I fully understand what is expected of me as a responsible board member?
2. Can I make the time available to effectively serve on the board, to do the necessary homework, to attend meetings and retreats, etc.?
3. What qualifies me to serve on this board? What would I bring to the board in terms of my experience, abilities, interests, resources, and relationships?
4. How long of a commitment am I willing to make to this organization?
5. Do I believe in this organization?
6. Do I feel truly supportive of this organization's executive and the executive staff?
7. Is my family supportive of my serving on this board?
8. Are there hidden things in my life that would disqualify me from serving if they were known?
9. Why should I not serve?
10. Do I sense a call to serve?