

January 22, 2021

Mr. Kirk Scott  
Chairman, Planning Commission  
Town of East Lyme

Dear Kirk,

I am writing you to expression interest in serving on the Planning Commission. In terms of qualifications, my past membership would allow me to “hit the ground running” in terms of helping preserve the continuity and current pace of work of the Planning Commission. Second, my previously leadership experience in the private sector and current community service experience could help contribute to the continued success of the Planning Commission.

Thanks for your consideration.

Larry

Lawrence W Fitzgerald, PhD  
Chairman, East Lyme Republican Town Committee

**Lawrence William Fitzgerald, PhD, MBA**  
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## Profile and Expertise

- ❖ Experienced Pharmaceutical/Biotechnology Scientist, Leader and Executive (large corporate and small company/start-up environments)
- ❖ Broad and unique mix of scientific and business credentials; MBA, MS/PhD in Biomedical Sciences/Pharmacology, Post-doctoral training in Psychiatry, Neuroscience
- ❖ Accomplished contributor to original scientific research; more than 50 peer-reviewed scientific publications
- ❖ Experienced entrepreneur - new companies, new business models, and innovative product and services solutions in healthcare
- ❖ Drug Discovery expert and project team leader that delivered more than 15 investigational drug candidates into clinical development (Phase I-III).
- ❖ Licensing/business development expertise with companies and academia
- ❖ Inspirational leader and coach
- ❖ Experienced Board member of non-profit organizations/community club
- ❖ University educator in Medical Sciences, Neurobiology, and Psychology

## Key Professional Responsibilities and Highlights

### **Adjunct Professor of Psychology**

#### **Sacred Heart University**

**(2018-present)**

Teach undergraduate courses: General Psychology, Behavioral Neuroscience, Psychopharmacology

### **Adjunct Professor of Psychology**

#### **Fairfield University**

**(2016-present)**

Teach undergraduate courses: General Psychology, Drugs and Behavior, Molecular and Cellular Neuroscience, Pharmacology and Mental Disorders

### **LW Fitzgerald Consulting, LLC**

#### **President and Owner**

**(2013 - 2018)**

LW Fitzgerald Consulting LLC is a consulting practice focused on providing expert strategic, operational and scientific services for a variety of clients engaged in pharmaceutical R&D, and health product/service innovation. Clients include start-up biotech, pharma, academia, venture capital firms.

**Mend Therapeutics, Inc. (Shrewsbury, MA)**

**Chief Executive Officer & Co-founder**

**(2013-2016)**

Mend Therapeutics, Inc. (MEND) is a start-up, non-profit pharmaceutical company that seeks to combat diabetes and its complications globally by promoting prevention and early detection, expanding access to quality medical care, and developing life-changing therapies.

**GeneticaLens, LLC (New York, New York)**

**Sr Consultant/Advisor and Chief Business Officer**

**(2014-2015)**

GL is a digital health company that focuses on transforming how pediatric care is delivered to children with neurodevelopmental disorders. GL is developing web-based software and mobile digital tools that increase Autism education and awareness, offer modern e-diagnostic checklists that promote operational efficiency and diagnostic accuracy in pediatric offices, and applications that offer digital connectivity to all stakeholders involved in the care of a child.

**Sage Therapeutics, Inc. (Cambridge, MA)**

**Vice President, Research**

**(2012-2013)**

Provide strategic and operational Research leadership at SAGE Therapeutics. Sage is a CNS product focused company building a portfolio of new therapies to meet the growing unmet medical needs in neurological and psychiatric disorders. Start-up company that successfully IPO, July 2014 and trades on NASDAQ (SAGE).

**Lundbeck Research USA (Paramus, NJ)**

**Vice President, Neuroscience Research**

**(2010-2012)**

Lead a Biology Research Unit focused on the discovery of new therapeutics for the treatment of psychiatric and neurological diseases.

**AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals (Wilmington, DE)**

**Director and Head of Neuroscience (Psychiatry)**

**(2009-2010)**

Responsible for management of all Biology research for the Neuroscience Psychiatry area in the USA, and accountable for high quality and timely delivery of new assets to the Neuroscience drug pipeline.

**Pfizer, Inc. (Ann Arbor, MI; Groton, CT)**

**(2003-2009)**

**Associate Director/Director/Senior Director**

**Co-founder and Head of the Autism Spectrum Disorder Unit**, Director of a new entrepreneurial unit within the Neuroscience Research Unit. Seeks to advance new therapies for the treatment of autism spectrum disorder and mental retardation using innovative partnerships, including seeking capital from nonprofit, academic, and venture capital/private equity sources.

**Line Operational Leadership (Groton, CT)**, Senior Director with line management responsibilities for BS/MS/PhD behavioral pharmacologists, neurochemists, and system neuroscientists.

**Line Operational Leadership (Ann Arbor, MI)**: Associate Director/Director with line management responsibilities for BS/MS/PhD behavioral pharmacologists, neurochemists, system neuroscientists, and molecular pharmacologists

**Global Disease Area Strategy Leadership Chair and Research Lead of Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Disease Area Leadership Team** - Lead a team of Research, Commercial, and Development leaders that defined strategic investments and clinical/commercial opportunities in ADHD.

**Research Lead of the Alzheimer's Disease (AD) Disease Area Leadership Team** Member of cross-functional strategy team that defined 5-yr strategic plan (Research, Development and Commercial components).

**Pharmacia Corporation (Kalamazoo, MI) (2000-2003)**  
**Principal Research Scientist, Research Advisor, Associate Research Fellow**

**DuPont Pharmaceutical Company (Wilmington, DE) (1995-2000)**  
**Senior Research Scientist, Principal Research Scientist**  
Lead a molecular pharmacology laboratory of PhD, MS, BS scientists.

**Yale University School of Medicine, (New Haven, CT) (1992-1995)**  
**Postdoctoral Fellow, with Eric J. Nestler, MD, PhD**

**Albany Medical College, (Albany, NY) (1988-1992)**  
**Graduate Research Assistant, with Stanley Glick, Ph.D., M.D.**

**SUNY-Albany, (Albany, NY) (1987-1988)**  
**Graduate Research Assistant with John Hannigan, Ph.D.**

**Fairfield University (Fairfield, CT) (1984-1986)**  
**Undergraduate Research Assistant with Carl Dokla, Ph.D.**

## EDUCATION

BA, Psychology	Fairfield University	1982-1986
MS/PhD., Pharmacology	Albany Medical College	1988-1993
MBA ( <i>with distinction</i> )	University of Michigan	2008-2010

## APPOINTMENTS

Adjunct Professor	2018-present	Sacred Heart University
Adjunct Professor	2016-present	Fairfield University
President/Owner	2013-2018	LW Fitzgerald Consulting, LLC
President and CEO	2013-2016	Mend Therapeutics, Inc.
Vice President	2012-2013	Sage Therapeutics, Inc.
Vice President	2010-2012	Lundbeck Research USA
Director/Head	2009-2010	CNS Pain Research Area AstraZeneca R&D
Senior Director	2007-2009	Neuroscience Biology Pfizer Global R&D
Director	2005-2007	CNS Biology Pfizer Global R&D
Associate Director	2003-2005	CNS Pharmacology Pfizer Global R&D
Research Advisor Associate Research Fellow	2003	CNS Discovery Research Pharmacia Corp.
Principal Research Scientist	2000-2003	CNS Discovery Research Pharmacia Corp.
Principal Research Scientist	1999-2000	CNS Diseases Research DuPont Pharmaceuticals Co.
Senior Research Scientist	1995-1999	CNS Diseases Research DuPont Merck Pharmaceutical Co

Postdoctoral Fellow	1992-1995	Depts Psychiatry & Pharmacol Yale Univ Sch of Medicine
Predoctoral Student	1988-1992	Dept. Pharmacology Albany Medical College

## **HONORS**

- MBA, University of Michigan, graduated with Honors (2010)
- Individual performance award for courageous leadership and scientific innovation in the creation of the Autism Unit (Pfizer Inc., 2009)
- Individual performance award for leadership as Chair of the Groton Biology Environmental Health and Safety Committee (Pfizer Inc., 2008)
- Inducted into Research Fellows Program in Pharmacia; inducted for distinguished scientific achievement, (Pharmacia 2003)
- Niagra Frontier Inventor of the Year 1998 (semi-finalist)
- Research and Development Achievement Award, DuPont Pharma
- Dean's Award for Excellence in Research (honorable mention), Albany Medical College, (1992)
- New England Psychological Association (NEPA) Undergraduate Fellow,
- Rev. Thomas McGrath Award in Psychology, Fairfield University, (1986)

## **PATENTS**

U.S. Patent, U.S. Serial No. 08/036,988, Glick, Fitzgerald, Ratty, Gross. "Transgenic animal as model for diseases involving dopaminergic dysfunction"

## **COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- Vice President, Board of Trustees for East Lyme Public Library (2018-present)
- Chairman, East Lyme Republican Town Committee (2020-present)
- Niantic Lions Club, 2020 to present
- Planning Commission of East Lyme (2018-2020; Full and/or POCD sub-committee member)
- Medical and Science Committee -Tuberous Sclerosis Alliance (2014-2018)
- Board of Directors, East Lyme Soccer Club, Treasurer, (2014-2016)

## **SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS**

\*\*(55 peer-reviewed papers and book chapters, available on request)