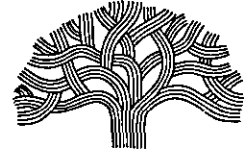


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Office of the Mayor
Ronald V. Dellums
Mayor

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Letter of Nomination

November 9, 2010

The Honorable City Council
One City Hall Plaza, Second Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Council Members:

Upon nomination of the Mayor, the following persons are hereby appointed as members of the following Board or Commission:

Housing Residential Rent and Relocation Board

Craig Castellonet (Tenant), Mayoral appointment to complete the term beginning February 12, 2010 and ending February 11, 2013 filling the seat formerly held by Judy Lackey.

Gregory Minor (Tenant), Mayoral appointment to complete the term beginning February 12, 2008 and ending February 11, 2011 filling the seat formerly held by Jasmine Edouard.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Ronald V. Dellums
Mayor

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CITY ATTORNEY

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RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF CRAIG CASTELLANET AND GREGORY MINOR AS MEMBERS OF THE HOUSING, RESIDENTIAL RENT AND RELOCATION BOARD

WHEREAS, Section 601 of the City Charter provides that members of City boards and commissions shall be appointed by the Mayor subject to confirmation by the affirmative vote of five members of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 8.22 of the Oakland Municipal Code creates the Housing, Residential Rent and Relocation Board to encourage investment in residential housing while also protecting the welfare of residential tenants; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 8.22 of the Oakland Municipal Code specifies that members of the Housing Residential Rent and Relocation Board are to serve three year terms, which are to be staggered so that some appointments will expire every year, and appointments to fill a term of office are only to be for the remainder of that term; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that pursuant to City Charter section 601, the City Council hereby confirms the Mayor's appointment of the following individuals to the terms set forth below:

Craig Castellanet (Tenant), appointment to complete the term beginning February 12, 2010 and ending February 11, 2013 filling the seat formerly held by Judy Lackey.

Gregory Minor (Tenant),), appointment to complete the term beginning February 12, 2008 and ending February 11, 2011 filling the seat formerly held by Jasmine Edouard.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES— BROOKS, DE LA FUENTE, KAPLAN, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, REID, AND CHAIRPERSON BRUNNER

NOES—

ABSENT—

ABSTENSION--

Attest:

LaTonda Simmons City Clerk
and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California

CRAIG CASTELLANET

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Public Interest Law Project, Oakland, California - Staff Attorney

Assisting community organizations and low income housing advocates to strengthen affordable housing commitments in land use and redevelopment matters throughout California. Advocacy in this position is focused on enforcement of state laws requiring or promoting affordable housing development through a city or county general plan housing element or a community redevelopment agency. Responsibilities include advice, training and co-counseling for legal services attorneys on affordable housing law and litigation. Legislative advocacy includes drafting legislation, providing analysis and testimony on California laws to produce and preserve affordable housing.

(July 2003 - Present)

National Housing Law Project, Oakland, California - Staff Attorney

Provided technical assistance and training for the national network of legal services housing advocates, and National Alliance of HUD Tenants. Participated in litigation to preserve project-based Section 8 developments in California, Minnesota and Missouri. Drafted Advocates' Restructuring Guide to instruct organizers and community based housing advocates on HUD's Mark-to-Market program. Wrote articles for inclusion in national Housing Law Bulletin.

(March 2001 - June 2003)

Legal Aid Society of Hawai'i, Honolulu, Hawai'i - Staff Attorney

Substantive Work: Negotiated preservation of project-based Section 8 subsidy for 380-unit building. Led successful campaign to preserve \$2.13 million affordable housing fee owed by a developer. Litigated residential eviction cases, brought five state administrative procedure act appeals to court. Provided comment on state housing administrative rule amendments, then litigated issues not properly resolved by rule making. Represented a state-wide public housing resident council on policy issues. Drafted legislation and provided testimony before the Hawai'i State Legislature, Housing Authority, and Honolulu City Council. *Supervisory Roles:* Responsible for substantive advocacy for all low income housing issues state-wide. Supervised Honolulu attorney and paralegal housing staff, and provided state-wide back up support. Conducted training for Legal Aid staff, government staff, and large community forums. Wrote successful HUD outreach and training grant (OTAG) application, and administered project for project-based section 8 buildings. Collaborated in writing successful HUD grant application for fair housing testing.

(December 1996 - January 2001)

Legal Services of Northern California, Sacramento, California - Staff Attorney

Lead counsel for suit successfully challenging the Sacramento County General Plan Housing Element, with settlement increasing land zoned for affordable housing, homeless shelters, and SROs and waiver of infrastructure fees worth up to \$2 million annually; wrote briefs on housing element causes of action and discovery motions, deposed County officials, made litigation and settlement decisions. Represented tenants in ten evictions, one resulted in a bench trial. Implemented relocation settlement with the Capitol Area Development Authority (CADA) and appeared before the Assembly Budget Committee for CADA's low income housing obligation. Advocated for affordable housing before the California State Senate, Sacramento County Board of Supervisors, City Council, and Housing Redevelopment Board.

(February 1995 - December 1996)

CRAIG CASTELLANET - LEGAL EXPERIENCE (Continued)

Legal Services of Northern California, Woodland, California - Law Clerk

Litigation and trial preparation for suit alleging illegal expenditure of public funds by the West Sacramento Redevelopment Agency. Drafted pre-trial motions, created evidentiary summaries for trial, designed trial database, and prepared materials for settlement negotiation. (May - August 1993)

Employment Law Center, San Francisco, California - Law Clerk

Legal research and writing for fair employment litigation under the California Fair Employment and Housing Act. Research issues included: equitable tolling, judicial notice, evasion of judgment through bankruptcy. (February - May 1993)

Legal Aid Society of Santa Clara County, San Jose, California - Law Clerk

Counseled clients through telephone intake and represented clients in administrative law hearings involving Unemployment Insurance Benefits, Social Security, General Assistance, AFDC, and MediCal benefits. Wrote attorney's fees motion in federal court and prevailed in a published opinion, *Afanador v. Sullivan*. Drafted appellate brief in the Sixth District on behalf of a recipient of IHSS benefits. Opposed General Assistance cuts before the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors. (January - December 1992)

Washington Legal Clinic for the Homeless, Washington, D.C. - Intern

Advocated for AFDC and food stamp benefits for homeless clients. Interviewed clients and drafted affidavits for use in food stamp lawsuit, and assisting in training sessions for legal clinic volunteers. (June - August 1990)

U.S. Department of Justice, Civil Rights Division, Voting Section, Washington D.C.

Enforced Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 by analyzing changes affecting voting in over sixty jurisdictions and made recommendations regarding whether the voting changes should be precleared. (August - December 1989)

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Memorial Cardiology Medical Grp./Cardiology Care Specialists, Long Beach, California

Selected, purchased and maintained computer hardware and software. (June 1987 - May 1991)

U.S. Public Interest Research Group, Washington, D.C.

Environmental canvassing for the Clean Air Act of 1990. (June - August 1990)

Office of Former State Senator John Vasconcellos, Sacramento, California

Mentor relationship with then Assemblyman. Responded to constituent mail. (June - July 1988)

BAR MEMBERSHIP AND EDUCATION

Member of the Bar in California and Hawai'i (Inactive)

Santa Clara University School of Law. Santa Clara, California. Juris Doctor, May 1994. Associate Editor, Santa Clara Law Review. Steering Committee, Public Interest Coalition. Public Interest Certificate.

Claremont McKenna College. Claremont, California. B.A. June 1991. Cum Laude. Double major in Government and Philosophy. Honors Senior Government Thesis: "Non-Dogmatic Citizen Education."

Continuing Legal Training. (Partial List) Benchmark Institute College of Advocacy, October 1994; CFED National IDA Conference 1999; *Housing California* 1995, 1996, 2002 (as trainer), 2003, 2004; NLADA Conference 1997, 2002, 2003 (as trainer); *Housing Justice Network* Conference 1999, '02, '04, '06, '08, '10.

PUBLIC AND VOLUNTEER BOARDS

Mather Air Force Base Redevelopment Commission, Sacramento Mutual Housing
Nanakuli Neighborhood Housing Services
Affordable Housing and Homeless Alliance (Hawai'i)

Gregory Maxwell Minor

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, Boalt Hall School of Law

Juris Doctorate expected May 2012

Activities: Community Legal Outreach, Environmental Justice Symposium, Equal Justice America Fellow

University of California, Berkeley, College of Environmental Design

Master of City Planning expected May 2011

Land Use Planning Concentration

Authored: "Failure to Connect: Why BART Never Reached Marin County"

(quoted at end: http://www.marinij.com/ci_15707690?source=most_viewed&requestid=1775218)

University of California, Los Angeles

Bachelor of Arts in History (minor in Latin American Studies) June 2005

Honors: *Summa Cum Laude*, Phi Beta Kappa

EXPERIENCE

East Bay Community Law Center, Berkeley, CA

May 2009-present

Legal Intern

- Advocated on behalf of low-income tenants in unlawful detainer actions and affirmative litigation
- Interviewed clients to identify legal issues and took intake over the telephone
- Drafted motions for summary judgment, answers, demurs, stays, discovery requests and responses, jury instructions, motions in limine, as well as jury trial and fee waiver applications
- Deposed witnesses, issued subpoenas, and successfully argued a motion for \$5,033 in sanctions
- Negotiated settlements with landlords and opposing counsel

Office of the City Attorney of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA

June-August 2010

Legal Intern

- Researched and composed legal memoranda concerning different California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) issues, including impacts on recreational uses, findings, the statute of limitations, and parking related challenges to a neighborhood plan
- Examined First Amendment issues relating to billboards and transit shelters
- Attended settlement and mitigation discussions with Planning Department and Municipal Transit Agency

Fragomen, Del Rey, Bernsen & Loewy, LLP, San Francisco, CA

March-August 2008

Legal Intern

- Authored support letters at a corporate immigration law firm on behalf of foreign nationals petitioning for L, H, O and B visas from the U.S. Citizen and Immigration Services.

Jewish Community Center, San Rafael and San Francisco, CA

January-August 2008

Youth Basketball Coach and Pre-school Aide

- Coached three elementary school teams; created original practices and provided in-game guidance
- Worked with preschoolers to encourage the development of socialization skills

Project Nova Olinda, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

June 2005-December 2007

Founder/Co-Director

- Initiated and coordinated collaborative effort between PUC (Catholic University of Rio) and community of Nova Olinda towards the creation of a community center for after-school youth programs
- Oversaw all aspects of project development, including: fundraising, production of video documentary, creation of website, administration of funds, construction, strategic decisions and public relations

FOREIGN LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Fluent in Portuguese and familiar with Spanish