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Office of the Mayor
Honorable Ronald V. Dellums
Mayor

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Letter of Appointment

March 17, 2009

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

Dear President Brunner and members of the City Council:


Pursuant to City Charter section 601, the Mayor has appointed the following person as member of the following Board or Commission, subject to City Council confirmation:

Public Ethics Commission

Ai Mori, Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning January 22, 2009 and ending January 21, 2012, filling the seat previously held by John Ashford.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,


Ronald V. Dellums
Mayor

EXPERIENCE

COURT OF APPEAL, FIRST DISTRICT, San Francisco, CA

Central Staff Attorney, October 2006~present

- Review appellate briefs and trial records, research and analyze existing law, make recommendations to the Justices of the Court of Appeal regarding the resolution of legal issues, and draft proposed opinions in civil, criminal and juvenile dependency cases.

MINAMI, LEW & TAMAKI LLP, San Francisco, CA

Associate Attorney, February 2002~October 2006; *Law Clerk*, January 1999~December 1999

- Litigated individual and class actions in the areas of employment discrimination, wage and hour and consumer law, handling cases from intake to trial, with extensive law and motion and trial work in state and federal courts and in administrative forums. Took or defended dozens of depositions, participated in jury and bench trials and successfully authored and argued motions.
- Represented individuals in complex family law proceedings involving child custody, support, parentage, property division and restraining orders, often with multinational and highly litigated issues. Negotiated and drafted premarital and postnuptial agreements. Obtained favorable verdicts in family law trials as lead counsel. Became certified as a California State Bar family law specialist.
- Provided support including research and writing and case evaluation for firm's other practice areas including criminal law, personal injury and corporate law.

COURT OF APPEAL, FOURTH DISTRICT, DIVISION ONE, San Diego, CA

Central Staff Attorney, December 2000~February 2002

- Reviewed appellate briefs and trial records, researched and analyzed existing law, made recommendations to the Justices of the Court of Appeal regarding the resolution of legal issues, and drafted proposed opinions in civil, criminal and juvenile dependency cases.
- Reviewed writ petitions and drafted memoranda recommending disposition of petitions.

SUPREME COURT OF CALIFORNIA, JUSTICE JOYCE KENNARD, San Francisco, CA

Judicial Extern Clerk, August 2000~November 2000

- Prepared bench memoranda and analyzed legal issues in cases pending before the Supreme Court of California. Work involved in-depth legal research, critical analysis of facts and applicable legal authorities and presentation of issues in clear and concise written form.
- Made oral presentations and analyzed merits of petitions for review at weekly conference before Justice Kennard and staff attorneys.

U.S. DIST. COURT, NORTHERN DIST. OF CA, JUDGE SUSAN ILLSTON, San Francisco, CA

Judicial Extern Clerk, January 2000~May 2000

- Conducted legal research and analyzed parties' briefs and arguments.
- Drafted bench memoranda and proposed opinions on various criminal and civil cases.

SOKO BUKAI, San Francisco, CA

Legal Assistant for Client in Litigation, May 1998~December 1998

- Reviewed and catalogued litigation case files including pleadings and discovery documents.
- Worked as community organizer by attending community forums, preparing press packets and writing and editing articles for the legal newsletter.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, HASTINGS COLLEGE OF THE LAW, San Francisco, CA

J.D., 2000, Admitted to California State Bar, 2000

- Hastings International and Comparative Law Review*, Member, Senior Notes Editor, 1998-2000

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY, Berkeley, CA

B.A., 1997, Political Science and Japanese Literature

- Completed undergraduate studies in three years.

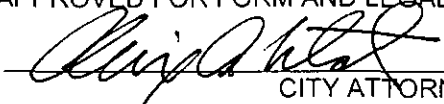
ACTIVITIES

- Bar Association of San Francisco, Volunteer Legal Services Program volunteer
- Asian Women's Shelter, Board Member and Annual Event Committee co-chair
- Asian American Bar Association, Civil Rights Committee member

LANGUAGES

- Japanese (native level)

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OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF AI MORI AS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC ETHICS COMMISSION

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, Section 202 of the Oakland City Charter creates the Public Ethics Commission whose purpose is to oversee compliance with various regulations intended to assure fairness, honesty and integrity in government; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No 11961 C.M.S. specifies that members of the Public Ethics Commission 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; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No 11961 C.M.S. specifies that the three members of the Public Ethics Commission appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council will represent local civic organizations with a demonstrated history of involvement in local governance issues;

WHEREAS, **Ai Mori** represents a local civic organization, and she has a demonstrated history of involvement in local governance issues; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Mayor Ronald V. Dellums has appointed **Ai Mori** to serve a three-year term on the Public Ethics Commission beginning January 22, 2009 and ending January 21, 2012, filling the seat previously held by John Ashford, subject to confirmation by the City Council; now therefore be it

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RESOLVED, that pursuant to City Charter section 601, the City Council hereby confirms the Mayor's appointment of **Ai Mori** to serve a three-year term on the Public Ethics Commission beginning January 22, 2009 and ending January 21, 2012, filling the seat previously held by John Ashford.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES- KERNIGHAN, NADEL, QUAN, DE LA FUENTE, BROOKS, REID, KAPLAN, AND
PRESIDENT BRUNNER

NOES-

ABSENT-

Abstention-

ATTEST:

LATONDA SIMMONS
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council
of the City of Oakland, California