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Office of the Mayor
Honorable Libby Schaaf
Mayor

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Letter of Appointment

January 29, 2020

The Honorable City Council
One Frank H. Ogawa Plaza, Second Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear President Kaplan and members of the City Council:

Pursuant to City Charter Section 601, the Mayor has appointed the following persons as members of the following board or commission, subject to City Council confirmation:

Privacy Advisory Commission

Omar H. de la Cruz, to serve a three-year term on the Privacy Advisory Commission beginning March 16, 2019 and ending March 15, 2022 filling the seat previously held by Raymundo Jacquez III.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Libby Schaaf
Mayor

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Libby Schaaf".

Profile

Omar H de la Cruz
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

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Email Address

Oakland CA 94601
Street Address Suite or Apt City State Postal Code

Home: (510) Business: (510)
Primary Phone Alternate Phone

Centro Legal de la Raza Immigrants' Rights Staff Attorney
Employer Job Title

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Privacy Advisory Commission: Submitted

Interests & Experiences

Please tell us how your qualifications and participation will relate to the requested board and/or commission's mission.

I was born and raised in Oakland and was excited to return to the city once I finished law school. I've been involved with the city in different ways over the years. I was a summer intern and briefly a council aide for Councilman Gallo a few years back. I also interned at AC Transit before going to law school. Currently, I'm an immigration attorney at Centro Legal de la Raza, a non-profit organization located in Oakland. Through these experiences I've had the privilege of getting to know different community stakeholders; including: residents, small business owners, volunteers, organizers, elected officials, etc. I believe that having had these experiences, along with being born and raised in Oakland, allows me to have a unique insight when it comes to the privacy concerns of people within the city. I think I could do a good job of being an advocate for fair and just privacy policies that take into account systemic racism, the prison industrial complex, and the justified inherent mistrust of police and government that people of color have.

Please submit your resume or curriculum vitae. You may upload a document. (A Word format is preferred.) Alternatively, you may paste the text of your resume in the field provided below.

[Omar de la Cruz Resume 2019 .pdf](#)
Upload a Resume

Please paste the text of your resume or curriculum vitae below.

Please click the acknowledgement below.

Service on City of Oakland boards, commissions, and committees may require filings of the FPPC's Statements of Economic Interest (Form 700). Upon appointment and determination of filing status, I will comply with all filing obligations.

I Agree *

Omar de la Cruz
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gmail.com

EDUCATION

- University of California, Davis School of Law (King Hall)** May 2018
Juris Doctor Davis, CA
- University of California, Santa Barbara** May 2015
Bachelor of Arts, Sociology Santa Barbara, CA

WORK & LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

- Centro Legal de la Raza** September 2018-Present
*Law Clerk/Staff Attorney** Oakland, CA
- Represent a high volume of detained clients before the immigration court in bond hearings and merits hearings.
 - Draft and file motions and briefs before the immigration court, asylum office, and the BIA.
 - Monthly high-volume legal consults at in house immigration clinics and at detention centers.
 - Prepare applications for relief (U visas, asylum, withholding, CAT, SIJS, adjustment of status, etc.)
 - Represent mentally incompetent *Franco-Gonzalez* clients in their immigration proceedings.

- California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation** August 2017-December 2017
Law Clerk Sacramento, CA
- Represented clients before the immigration court and asylum office.
 - Prepared applications for relief (u-visa, t-visa, asylum, SIJS, naturalization, work authorization, etc.)
 - Interviewed clients and gathered materials in preparing their applications for relief.

- The Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights of San Francisco** May-August 2017
Law Clerk San Francisco, CA
- Worked on asylum intakes and pairing potential cases with pro bono attorneys.
 - Prepared and filed asylum applications and worked on an asylum brief.
 - Researched and wrote about complex immigration issues.

- Public Advocates** May-August 2016
Law Clerk San Francisco, CA
- Researched, help craft, and lobbied bills in Sacramento.
 - Legal research and memorandums for use in active litigation.
 - Gave testimony at various organization meetings (MTC, ARB, etc.)
 - Edited legal and policy publications regarding climate policy.
 - Facilitated and presented at staff and coalition meetings.

- Oakland City Councilmember Noel Gallo** May 2015-August 2015
Council Aide Oakland, CA
- Researched and composed policy memoranda, action plans and position papers.
 - Testified before the full City Council hearings.
 - Represented the councilmembers at meetings and community events.
 - Developed and oversaw a summer intern program.

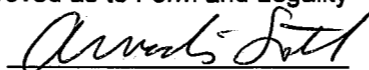
LANGUAGE SKILLS

- **Spanish:** Written and spoken fluency

* Admitted to the California Bar on May 2019

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Approved as to Form and Legality


City Attorney's Office

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY MAYOR LIBBY SCHAAF

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF OMAR H. DE LA CRUZ AS A MEMBER OF THE PRIVACY ADVISORY 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, the Privacy Advisory Commission (Commission) was created by Ordinance No. 13349 C.M.S, adopted January 19, 2016, and provides in relevant part that a vacancy of the Commission "... shall be filled for any unexpired term ..."; and

WHEREAS, Mr. de la Cruz' appointment is for a vacant Commission seat, previously held by Raymundo Jacquez III; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED: That pursuant to City Charter section 601, the City Council hereby confirms the Mayor's appointment of **Omar H. de la Cruz**, to serve a three-year term on the Privacy Advisory Commission beginning March 16, 2019 and ending March 15, 2022, filling the seat previously held by Raymundo Jacquez III.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

AYES - FORTUNATO BAS, GALLO, GIBSON MCELHANEY, KALB, REID, TAYLOR, THAO AND
PRESIDENT KAPLAN

NOES -

ABSENT -

ABSTENTION -

ATTEST: _____

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