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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:

**Violence Prevention and Public Safety Oversight Committee**

**Nicole R. Lee**, Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning September 15, 2008 and ending September 14, 2009 filling the seat she previously held.

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**Ronald Owens**, Mayoral reappointment to serve the term beginning July 21, 2008 and ending July 20, 2009 filling the seat he previously held.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronald V. Dellums". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Ronald V. Dellums  
Mayor

Nicole R. Lee

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- Education:** **University of California at Santa Cruz**  
Bachelor of Arts in American Studies, June 1998
- Experience:**  
2000 – Present **Political Director**  
Ella Baker Center for Human Rights (Oakland, CA)  
Founded and directs "Silence The Violence" Initiative and consults on "Green Jobs" Campaign for the organization. Work includes policy advocacy, event planning, alliance building, media work, fundraising, and youth development work, as well as management level responsibilities for the organization.
- 1998 – 2000 **Organizer**  
HERE Local 2850 / East Bay Alliance for a Sustainable Economy (Oakland, CA)  
Coordinated community support for union efforts. Founding staff for non-profit policy organization (EBASE) to pass Living Wage policies. Built community and labor coalition for an accountable Port of Oakland that aided in passage of the historic MAPLA. Built East Bay Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice. Launched "Labor in the Pulpits" Labor Day program in the East Bay.
- 1997 – 1998 **Core Member**  
UCSC Asian/Pacific Islander Student Alliance (Santa Cruz, CA)  
Served as APISA Chair for the UCSC Multicultural Festival and core committee member for the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual High School Motivational Conference.
- 1995 – 1998 **Youth/Young Adult Co-Chair**  
Episcopal AsiaAmerica Ministries (New York, NY)  
Coordinated Asian American Youth Ministries at a national level for the Episcopal Church and planning and facilitating an annual youth conference.
- 8/97 – 12/97 **Intern**  
Organization of Chinese Americans (Washington, DC)  
Worked on Asian American civil rights advocacy issues through letter and speech writing. Attended Senate hearings, press conferences, and U.S. Commission on Civil Rights briefing.
- 1996 – 1997 **Student Organizer**  
UCSC Affirmative Action Coalition (Santa Cruz, CA)  
Organized numerous rallies and teach-ins in opposition to California's Proposition 209 and the dismantling of Affirmative Action, including a Hip Hop benefit with \$2000 raised in proceeds.
- 6/96 – 8/96 **Summer Intern**  
School of Unity and Liberation Summer Program (Oakland, CA)  
Participated in summer organizing and political education training program. Learned the basic organizing'skills and the history of the Civil Rights Movement.
- 6/96 – 8/96 **Intern**  
Californians for Justice (Oakland, CA)  
Worked on electoral campaign to save Affirmative Action. Organized Bay Area congregations and local communities

## DONALD H. BLEVINS

EXPERIENCE: 8/2003 – Present: Chief Probation Officer, County of Alameda  
7/00 – 7/03: Director of Adult Field Services Offices,  
San Diego County Probation  
7/95 – 7/00: Director of Juvenile Intake, Investigation and  
Court Services, San Diego County Probation  
1/95 – 7/95: Supervising Probation Officer, Juvenile Field  
Services, San Diego County Probation  
9/89 – 12/94: Supervising Probation Officer, Adult Field  
Services, San Diego County Probation  
9/84 – 4/88: Senior Probation Officer, Juvenile Institutions and  
Adult Field Services, San Diego Probation  
1/76 – 8/84: Multiple Deputy Probation Officer Assignments,  
San Diego County Probation

EDUCATION: 6/74: United States International University, San Diego  
– Bachelor of Arts Degree, Psychology &  
Sociology (dual-major)  
12/76: San Diego State University – Graduate study in  
Sociology

HIGHLIGHTS OF CAREER:

- Leadership role for Information Technology (IT) innovation for San Diego County Probation Department.
- Establishment of model treatment and supervision programs for sex offenders and domestic violence offenders.
- Collaboration with the Methamphetamine Strike Force to combat meth problems in the East County region.
- Development of standards to assist crime victims and increase restitution collection.
- Dramatically increased revenue collection for the San Diego Probation Department.

ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Alameda County Chiefs of Police and Sheriff's Association (ACCPSA)  
American Probation & Parole Association (APPA)  
American Correctional Association (ACA)  
California Probation, Parole & Correctional Association (CPPCA)  
Chief Probation Officers of California (CPOC)  
National Association of Probation Executives (NAPE)  
Urban Chiefs Network (NIC)

## **RONALD C. OWENS**

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### **CAREER OBJECTIVE**

*To obtain a challenging and responsible position which will make full use of my experiences and my ability to communicate.*

### **BACKGROUND SUMMARY**

*My years of experience with the criminal justice system, has enabled me to see both sides of it. As a former parolee who overcame a substance abuse disability, and who successfully discharged parole, it lends instant credibility and a unique understanding with service providers, law enforcement community as well as the parolees themselves.*

### **EXPERIENCE**

#### **A.C.O.R.N.**

*Assoc. Of Community Organization For Reform Now  
Oakland, CA*

*August 1993 - February 1994*

*Community Organizer/Canvasser*

*Making door to door contacts with neighborhood people, city agencies, officials, landlords, county agencies for the betterment of neighborhood living conditions.*

*Organizing people for unity at house meeting, schools and churches for:*

- *Closure of vacant houses used for drug sales, drug use and eye sore to the neighborhood.*
- *Cleaning up creek areas.*
- *Petitioning for speed humps for neighborhoods at city council meetings.*
- *Media coverage at schools for proper and safe playground equipment.*
- *Raising money in order to keep the project funded.*

*Park Blvd. Shell Station*

*Oakland, CA*

*February 1994 - July 1994*

*Station/Store Attendant*

*Interact and provide courteous service to gasoline and store customers. Be responsible and accountable for daily receipts on night shift, at times up to \$2000.000 a night.*

- *Stocking Supplies*
- *Accounts payables/accounts receivables.*

*Narcotics Educations League (N.E.L.)  
Private Industry Council  
Oakland, CA  
February 1994 - July 1994  
Intern Recovery Counselor*

*Assisted recovery counselors with paperwork, phone calls, filing. Observed and participated in group and individual counseling sessions. After 2-3 months with supervision I was able to:*

- *Run counseling groups*
- *See clients individually*
- *Treatment planning*
- *Assessments*
- *Employment search planning*
- *Recovery direction*

*Second Chance Inc.  
Newark, CA  
June 1994 - June 1996  
BASN Community Recovery Counselor*

*June 1996 - June 1997  
BASN Community Specialist*

*June 1997 - Present  
BASN Coordinator*

*Work and coordinate with State Parole, Department of Behavioral Care - Alameda County, Walden House, and parolees themselves for a comprehensive recovery plan for their lives. Overseeing and placement into Second Chance Inc. S.L.E. House for parolees. Working in Hayward, San Leandro and Oakland parole offices. Ran drug education groups 10 times monthly at the Naval Supply Center for San Quentin Boot Camp Phase II program from 1994-1997.*

- *Treatment planning*
- *Individual counseling*
- *Group Counseling*
- *Employment workshops and direction*
- *General re-entry to society as parolees counseling*
- *Counsel and coordinate with federal parolees*
- *Counsel and run domestic violence groups*
- *Medi-cal and walk in substance abusers*

*October 1999 - Present*

*Police And Corrections Team(P.A.C.T.) - B.A.S.N. Facilitator*

- *Responsible for organizing community based programs to offer services to Oakland & Berkeley Parolees who parole to cities that week, (up to 80 per week).*

*June 2000 - Present*

*Office Of The Mayor-Oakland  
Community Liason*

- *Advises Mayor Brown on parolee, probation & church issues.*
- *Coordinates city services to those constituents.*
- *Often appears in place of Mayor Brown to address community.*
- *Works with representatives from probation, police, parole and faith based organizations, to enhance coordination of services to community.*

*August 1998 - Present*

*Domestic Non-Violence Instructor-Second Chance Inc.*

- *Teach 52 week domestic non-violence course to batterers.*

*October 2002 - Present*

*Domestic Non-Violence Instructor-Second Chance Inc.-Oakland Parole Office*

- *Responsible for teaching & administering 52 week domestic non-violence course for parolee batterers in Oakland Parole Office.*

*January 2003 - Present*

*Co-Chairperson Project Choice Steering Committee*

- *Responsible with other members for setting policy for federally funded pilot program designed to assist in successful re-entry for convicts paroling to Oakland, CA.*
- *Facilitate group counseling at San Quentin State Prison; individual counseling of inmates in recovery, lifeskill, parole navigation.*

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CITY ATTORNEY

**OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL**

RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_ C.M.S.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING NICOLE R. LEE, DONALD BLEVINS, AND RONALD OWENS AS MEMBERS OF THE VIOLENCE PREVENTION AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

**WHEREAS**, the Violence Prevention and Public Safety Act of 2004, also known a Measure Y, creates the Violence Prevention and Public Safety Oversight Committee; and

**WHEREAS**, the Violence Prevention and Public Safety Act of 2004 specifies that members of the Violence Prevention and Public Safety Oversight Committee are to be appointed one by each Member of the City Council and three members by the Mayor, to serve such terms as set by the City Council by Ordinance; now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED**, that by the nomination of the Mayor, the following individuals are hereby appointed to the term set forth below:

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**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:

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