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**Letter of Nomination**

June 20, 2011

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

Dear President Reid and members of the City Council:

Pursuant to City Charter section 601, the Mayor, hereby appoints the following persons as members of the following Board or Commission, subject to the City Council's confirmation:

**CITIZEN'S POLICE REVIEW BOARD**

**Derrick H. Muhammad**, Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning February 16, 2011 and ending February 15, 2013, filling the seat previously held by Carl Swanson.

**Elizabeth Diaz**, Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning February 16, 2011 and ending February 15, 2013, filling the seat she previously held.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Jean Quan  
Mayor

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CITY ATTORNEY

## OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

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

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### RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF DERRICK H. MUHAMAMAD AND ELIZABETH DIAZ TO THE CITIZEN'S POLICE REVIEW 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**, Ordinance No. 12454 C.M.S., adopted November 12, 2002 (repealing Ordinance Nos. 11905 and 12102 C.M.S.) created the Oakland Citizen's Police Review Board to investigate and review certain complaints regarding conduct of Oakland police officers and park rangers, thereafter deliver timely advisory reports to the City Administrator regarding the facts of and recommended disposition of these complaints, as well as disciplinary recommendations if appropriate and additionally it may recommend policy changes to the Public Safety Committee regarding matters within its jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS**, the Citizen's Police Review Board consists of nine members and three alternative members serving two-year staggered terms with no more than two consecutive terms; and

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable Mayor Jean Quan has appointed Derrick H. Muhammad and Elizabeth Diaz to serve two-year terms on the Citizen's Police Review Board subject to confirmation by the City Council; now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that pursuant to City Charter section 601, the City Council hereby confirms the Mayor's appointment of Derrick H. Muhammad and Elizabeth Diaz to serve two-year terms on the Citizen's Police Review Board; Muhammad beginning February 16, 2011 and ending February 15, 2013, filling

the seat previously held by Carl Swanson and Diaz beginning February 16, 2011 and ending February 15, 2013, filling the seat she previously held.

**IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,  
PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**AYES – BRUNNER, KERNIGHAN, NADEL, SCHAAF, DE LA FUENTE,  
BROOKS, KAPLAN AND PRESIDENT REID**

**NOES –**

**ABSTENTIONS-**

**ABSENT-**

**ATTEST:**

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**LATONDA SIMMONS**

City Clerk and Clerk of the Oakland City  
Council

# DERRICK H. MUHAMMAD

## EDUCATION

UC Davis School of Law Davis, CA  
*Juris Doctor* May 2009  
Dr. M.L. King Service Award Nominee, 2009

San Francisco State University San Francisco, CA  
*Bachelor of Arts, Drama* January 2004  
Dean's List: Spring 2002, Spring 2003, Fall 2003

Bay Area World Trade Center & East Bay Center Oakland, CA  
For International Trade Development June 2008  
*Certificate in Export Management*

United Educational Services Redding, CA  
*Certificate in Real Estate Law, Practice and Management* May 2006

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Spring 2009 Morton & Russo Law Firm Vallejo, CA  
*Extern*  
Performed legal research. Observed trial proceedings.

June 2008-August 2008 Solano County Public Defenders Office Fairfield, CA  
*Summer Intern*  
Performed legal research, drafted motions on misdemeanor and felony matters. Observed trial proceedings.

January 2008-December 2008 UC Davis Prison Law Clinic Davis, CA  
*Student Intern*  
Performed legal research and provided counsel to San Quentin inmate in preparation for his parole board hearing.

May 2007-July 2007 San Francisco D.A. Office San Francisco, CA  
*Summer Intern*  
Performed legal research. Briefed cases, drafted and filed motions for attorneys on misdemeanor and felony matters. Observed trial proceedings.

2004-Present **International Longshore & Warehouse Union** San Francisco, CA

Longshoreman

Loaded and unloaded shipping vessels docked in the ports of Oakland, Stockton, Sacramento, Long Beach, San Pedro, San Diego and Hueneme. Operate mechanized equipment such as semi tractors and forklifts.

2004- Present **DM Real Properties, LLC** San Leandro, CA

Residential Property Manager.

Execute contracts, legal procedures, collections and evictions. Arrange for building maintenance, interior decoration and landscaping.

2004-2006 **City of Oakland** Oakland, CA

Parking Technician

Ensured the compliance of state and local vehicle parking codes.

2000-04 **Univision KDTV** San Francisco, CA

Master Control Operator.

Operated audio/visual control board for daily programs and live news.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

*The Advocate, UC Davis School of Law Newspaper.* 2008 Staff Writer  
*UC Davis School of Law, Business Law Journal* 2008-09 Staff Editor  
*UC Davis School of Law, Journal of Juvenile Law and Policy.* 2008-09 Essayist.

## **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

National Black Law Students Association: Served as North Sub-Regional Director for Western Region (2008-09). Organized career fair for northern California law students. Facilitated mentorship program for first and second year law students. Organized can food drive.

UC Davis Immigration Law Clinic: Participated in naturalization workshop. (Spring 2008).

Rebirth & Rise Arts and Education Inc: Founded 501(c)3 arts and education organization to provide drama and literature workshops to inner city youth.

AMERICORPS: Participated in community gardening projects. Tutored in after school program. Facilitated conflict resolution workshops.

References Available Upon Request