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Office of the Mayor
Honorable Ronald V. Dellums
Mayor

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Letter of Appointment

October 20, 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 persons as members of the following Board or Commission, subject to City Council confirmation:

Housing Residential Rent and Relocation Board

Guillermo Mayer (Alternate Tenant), Mayoral appointment to serve the term beginning February 12, 2009 and ending February 11, 2012 filling the seat previously held by Charles Hargrave.

Michael Bowie (Neutral), Mayoral appointment to complete the term beginning February 12, 2008 and ending February 11, 2011, filling a seat previously held by Rochelle Anguiano.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ronald V. Dellums".

Ronald V. Dellums
Mayor

GUILLERMO MAYER

EDUCATION

UCLA SCHOOL OF LAW
Los Angeles, California

Juris Doctorate
Cal. Bar No. 235776

May 2004

Fellowships:

Paul & Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans, 2001-03

Concentrations:

Critical Race Theory, and Public Interest Law & Policy

SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY
San Diego, California

B.A., Political Science

May 1997

Activities:

Student Body President, Associated Students, Inc.
Chair, Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlán (M.E.Ch.A)

WORK EXPERIENCE

PUBLIC ADVOCATES, INC.
San Francisco, California

Staff Attorney
Law Fellow

Sept 2006 to present
Sept 2004 to Sept 2006

- Conduct multiple activities associated with complex civil rights litigation, including legal research, pleadings, motions, discovery, depositions, trial support, oral argument, fee motions, and negotiations. Primary assignment has been a high-profile Title VI lawsuit by minority bus riders against the regional transportation planning agency of the San Francisco Bay Area. Other responsibilities and activities include assisting with strategy development, plaintiff outreach, press relations, and collaborating with elected officials and community organizations.
- Advocate before local, regional, state and federal governments and agencies in support of transit policies and funding programs that benefit low-income and transit dependent populations.
- Assist with the statewide implementation of the *Williams v. California* lawsuit settlement, a landmark education equity case resulting in over \$1 billion in additional funding for low-performing schools. Responsibilities include providing know-your-rights trainings in English and in Spanish, and developing a *Williams* enforcement campaign with farm worker parents in the Central Valley to improve local school conditions.
- Spearheaded five statewide enforcement projects to ensure that school district provide parents with constitutionally-required data on school conditions. Activities included issuing demand letters, conducting statewide compliance investigations, leading negotiations with over 45 school districts, and assisting in enforcement litigation.
- Supervise law students on multiple assignments.

HADSELL & STORMER
Pasadena, California

Law Clerk

May 2003 to Feb 2004

- Assisted lead attorney with statewide wage & hour lawsuit brought by janitors against major California supermarkets. Responsibilities included taking declarations of Spanish-speaking plaintiffs, researching joint-employment liability, attending court hearings, translating documents, preparing exhibits, and assisting with motions.

LEGAL AID FOUNDATION OF LOS ANGELES
Los Angeles, California

Law Clerk

Summer 2002

- Assisted low-wage workers in filing claims against abusive downtown employers for unpaid minimum and overtime wages, and other labor law violations. Responsibilities included client intake, preparing and filing claims with the California Labor Commissioner, calculating owed wages and penalties, and drafting demand letters.

STATE SENATOR TOM HAYDEN
Sacramento, California

Legislative Director

Sept 1998 to Dec 2000

- Coordinated legislative and state budget agenda for Capitol office. Responsibilities included drafting and analyzing legislation on education equity, immigrant rights, higher education, gang violence prevention, and health care for children.
- Managed numerous state budget requests resulting in the allocation of \$7 million in state funding for parent involvement training, Central American Studies, after school programs, and habitat preservation of sacred Native American sites.
- Staffed investigative hearings on toxic contamination in Los Angeles schools, prisoner abuse, access to higher education, and NAFTA.
- Worked with carwash workers to develop wage-protection legislation. Worked with former gang members to develop violence prevention legislation.
- Organized delegation to Chiapas, Mexico, to investigate expulsion of human rights observers, and document living conditions of indigenous communities and war refugees.

STATE SENATOR HILDA L. SOLIS
Sacramento, California

California State Fellow

Oct 1997 to Sept 1998

- Responsible for staffing legislation on public safety and veteran affairs. Advised Senator in various committees, including environmental quality, energy, and public utilities. Assisted with media activities and district events.

LANGUAGES Fluent in Spanish, both verbal and written.

COMMUNITY SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

Board Chair, Oakland Kids First, 2006 to present.

Member, San Francisco La Raza Lawyers Association, 2007 to present.

Member, Issues Committee of the San Francisco Human Rights Commission, 2005 to 2007.

Co-chair, Stand for Dignity (pro-indigenous rights organization), 2006 to present.

HOBBIES Backpacking, tennis, and science fiction.

REFERENCES:

1. Richard Marcantonio, Managing Attorney, Public Advocates Inc. (415.431.7430).
2. David Valladolid, President, Parent Institute for Quality Education (619.884.2218).
3. Tom Hayden, former State Senator (private number available upon request).

Michael A. Bowie

CHARACTER & WORK-ETHIC QUALIFICATIONS

The work history demonstrates the potential to work successfully in a wide variety of environments. The various countries traveled: Namibia, Angola, Japan, Malaysia, and Singapore. Locally: Workers compensation, interfaced ACOME Guidelines, ratable AME Medical Reports, and other various authorities for defense analysis, negotiations, settlements, and to close claims in workers compensation and in challenging areas of litigation.

VOLUNTARY COMMUNITY SERVICES

San Francisco Homeless Advocate Program 1988-92
Glide Memorial Church (feeding homeless) 1987
Saint Leo's The Great Grammar School (tutoring math) 2006
Skyline High School (tutoring students in math) 2007
Allen Temple Baptist Church (tutoring students in math) 2007-2008
Oakland Technical High School (sponsoring chess tournaments) 2009

LANGUAGES

English, Some Spanish, Swahili (currently learning)

EXPERIENCE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Drafting various legal documents for "letters of intent" for import/export.
- Calendaring various legal documents and deadlines for litigations and negotiations of contracts.
- Supervising and managing various research projects.
- Intakes for homeless in an effort to receive and provide government benefits, such as housing, with on-going education in financial management of their funds. Appearances at hearing for State or Federal benefits.

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

1992-Present Pro-Per Legal	<u>Paralegal, Juris Doctor</u> International: travel to various countries to provide services of desalination of sea water. Locally: provided legal assistance to the general public who cannot afford legal representation for the homeless and representation for families to regain or maintain their housing status. Responsibilities included writing briefs and researching various legal issues in processing documents for litigation.
2004-2006	<u>JT2 Integrated Resources</u> (In house counsel-WC Hearing Representative) Duties included creating a legal department within the company with legal recommendation and litigation strategies for appearance at the

WCAB Oakland and San Francisco, as well as, analyzing documents and trend of the particular WCAB and Judge. Attended hearings and trials to negotiate settlement based on authority and rating of medical reports for both represented and non-represented injured worker with adherence to protocols. Depositions were required for some injured workers based on the exposure of the claim.

2002—2004

Valerian, Patterson, Stratman, & Love (Farmers Insurance Company)
(In house counsels-WC Hearing Representative)

Duties included negotiations for settlement of WCAB claims. Instituting and creating a plan for continuance communication with claims representatives from Pleasanton, Cambridge, and Merced, to discuss analysis, legal strategies, including subrosa, and indemnity information to defend, settle and close fraudulent workers compensation claims. Send written status reports of strategic movements during the process of settlement of claims. This resulted in promotional raises and recognition.

1999-2002

Placement Pros, San Francisco, CA (Temp. Agency)

Placement Pro's assignments were for processing and filing of records, imputing and calendaring various legal documents for corporate companies and law firms throughout the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Area. Litigation included Products Liability, Asbestos, Contracts, and Clerking from the following law firms and companies:

Bishop, Berry & Howe, City of Oakland, Envision Law Group
Lombardie, Loper & Colwell, Bertrand, Fox, Elloit & Colwell
Preuss, Walker & Shanaugh, Seyfarth, Shaw & Fairweather
Foley & Lardner, Heron & Heron, Alameda County Superior Court

1996-1998

Hunnicutt, Atty.

Legal Assistant/

Drafting briefs, motions, and researching legal issues for litigation on corporate assigned contracts for collections. Process various documents for superior court and municipal court. Maintained and managed files for trials in various administrative departments.

1991-1992

Office of City Atty

Legal Assistant

Assist attorneys for trial in all aspects of various legal documents, including but not limited to: research, discovery, analysis and litigation initiated by The City Attorney of San Francisco. Provide individual administrative legal assistance, such as intakes, in order to obtain State and Federal funding to advance homeless people within the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Area with Homeless Advocate Program.

COMPUTER LITERACY

Word Perfect, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel , Wang computer systems, Apple Computers. Calendar programs included: Abacus, Legal-ex and Compu Trac, Internet, West Law.

EDUCATION

BS, Economics-1981

Boston College

Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts


Juris Doctor Degree (1992)

New College School of Law

San Francisco, California

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CITY ATTORNEY

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

**RESOLUTION APPOINTING GUILLERMO MAYER AND MICHAEL BOWIE 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 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 following appointments:

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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 -
ABSTENSION -

ATTEST:

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