

CITY OF OAKLAND



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Office of the Mayor
Honorable Libby Schaaf
Mayor

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Letter of Appointment

November 16, 2022

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

Dear President Bas 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:

Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities

Mike Magar, to serve a three-year term beginning on September 3, 2023 and ending September 2, 2026, filling a seat previously held by Frank Sperling.

Fatimah Azur, to serve a three-year term beginning on September 3, 2022 and ending September 3, 2026, filling a seat previously held by Karen Nakamura.

Barry Robinson, to serve a three-year term beginning on October 9, 2020 and ending October 8th, 2023, filling a seat previously held by Steven Lau.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,


Libby Schaaf
Mayor

Profile

Fatimah _____ Aure _____
 First Name Middle Initial Last Name

 Email Address

 Street Address

 City

 Suite or Apt

 State

 Postal Code

Mobile: (_____) _____
 Primary Phone

Mobile: (_____) _____
 Alternate Phone

The Kelsey _____
 Employer

Director of Field Building and Capacity _____
 Job Title

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Commission on Persons with Disabilities: Submitted

Interests & Experiences

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

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.

[MCPD_Fatimah_Aure_Resume_Aug_2022.docx](#)

Upload a Resume

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

Please click the acknowledgement below.

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I Agree *

Fatimah M. Aure, MPP

Oakland, California | Cellula [REDACTED] | [REDACTED]

EXPERIENCE

The Kelsey, San Francisco, California

Director, Field Building & Capacity

2021-

Present

- Own and manage publishing, revisions and overall content supervision of The Kelsey's Learn Center, online open-sourcing resource, while building a strategy for overall impact and increase in users and engagements
- Execute the roll out and dissemination of The Housing Design Standards for Accessibility & Inclusion to disability-forward architects, developers, designers and disability advocates and organizations
- Serve as Employee Experience Liaison to the full staff (10) by conducting quarterly satisfaction surveys, managing community service projects and completing new hire check-ins and exit interviews as needed
- Building awareness of the need for disability-forward housing solutions using partnerships and relationships built through the Learn Center management and Design Standards outreach

Oakland Housing Authority, Oakland, California

Policy Analyst: Planning, Implementation & Compliance (Contract)

2021

- Managing editing, re-writes and revisions of core policy documents including annual plans and reports; once Board-approved, forwarded to Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for approval
- Compiling large organization-wide calendar project that will also executive director ability to see high level snapshot of upcoming submission deadlines across multiple departments
- Collaborate with senior leadership to create process workflows for implementation of organizational policy

Okta, San Francisco, California

2019-2020

Corporate Philanthropy: Social Impact Fellow

- Created and deployed team volunteering opportunities for local employees looking to plan and execute volunteer events for their teams; log and track activity for employee engagement data
- Facilitated all external events in Okta Community Space and reserved and monitored conference room space with NGOs, nonprofit partners and Okta for Good grantees
- Evangelized Okta for Good by working cross functionally with teams such as Diversity, Inclusion & Belonging, Workplace Events and Internal Communications

Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center, San Francisco, California

2017-2019

South of Market Program Director & Women's Business Center Director

- Executive leadership team member and collaborator on organization-wide strategic planning, budgeting and core value establishment; Promoted from manager to director within six months

- Lead strategic partnerships with tech companies that provide tools to our clients while creating meaningful volunteer opportunities for their employees, including AirBnB, Google, GoDaddy, Yelp and Eventbrite
- Coordinated and hosted monthly networking series targeting women entrepreneurs, doubling average monthly attendance and rejuvenating general interest in the Women's Business Center and its services

50+1 Strategies LLC, San Francisco, California
2016

2015-

Fundraising Director: Public Affairs Firm

- Oversaw a California State Assembly candidate in surpassing reaching \$500K goal by the filing deadline
- Managed a six client roster including setting fundraising goals, supervised call time sessions, 'thank you' letter generation, events and database management

IGNITE: Political Power in Every Young Woman, Oakland, California
2011- 2015

Director of Programs

- Built and maintained protocols, operational systems and sustainable program structures that educated young women on political and civic engagement in an early stage startup environment
- Supervise and managed a team of up to 15 teachers, 5 interns and 2 administrative assistants
- Planned, organized and executed annual young women's political leadership conference for 200+ Bay Area high school and college women, featuring access to 30+ local and state women elected officials
- Pioneered IGNITE's first fundraiser, taken from design to execution, which now yields over \$60,000 annually

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

East Bay Women's Political Alliance, East Bay, California
Present

2015-

Executive Board Member

- Lead fundraising efforts for a politically progressive group of East Bay women, which benefit the political campaigns of endorsed candidates
- Coordinate all aspects including planning and execution of the annual Women of Achievement Awards Gala

Okta People of Color (POC) Employee Resource Group, San Francisco
2019-2020

Philanthropy Lead

- Lead quarterly volunteer projects for San Francisco and San Jose-based POC members including YMCA Student Robotics Build and Holiday Coat/Warm Clothing Drive
- Participate in POC strategic planning leadership with a focus on our commitment to philanthropy

Mayor's Commission on Persons with Disabilities, Oakland, California
2013-2015

Commissioner

- Passionate advocate for civil rights and increased access for the disabilities community in the City of Oakland

- Organized a 2014 Mayoral candidates televised debate at Oakland City Hall, highlighting issues facing people living with disabilities in Oakland, such as housing, jobs and public transportation

ACTIVE MEMBERSHIPS

- Renaissance Entrepreneurship Center, Women’s Leadership Council 2019-Present
- Diversability (*National Disability Advocates’ Organization*) 2017-Present
- IGNITE California State Advisory Council 2017-Present
- Emerge California - Alumna Class of 2013 2013
- Northwestern University Black Alumni Association 2011-Present
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., San Francisco Alumnae Chapter 2011-Present

EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley May 2011
Master of Public Policy, Goldman School of Public Policy
 Thesis: “The Current State of Batterer Intervention Programs in San Francisco”

Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois June 2003
Bachelor of Science in Communication Studies, Minor in Business Institutions

Profile

michele _____ magar _____
 First Name Middle Initial Last Name

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 City

 State

 Postal Code

Home: _____
 Primary Phone

Home: _____
 Alternate Phone

self _____
 Employer

disability rights attorney _____
 Job Title

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Commission on Persons with Disabilities: Submitted

Interests & Experiences

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

I've worked to advance disability rights for 40 years as a journalist and an attorney. I hope to do the same, focused on the City of Oakland.

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.

[MAGAR - resume 2022 pdf.pdf](#)
 Upload a Resume

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MICHELE MAGAR

Oakland, CA 94611

QUALIFICATIONS

- Award-winning national print and public radio reporter and editor.
- Independent broadcast producer: news stories, investigative reporting, features, and documentaries.
- Experienced attorney admitted to practice in California state and federal courts.

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Legal Affairs Reporting:

- Covered Congress, the Courts, and the Executive Branch.
- Successfully raised funds to cover the U.N.'s International Decade for Women conference in Kenya.
- Doubled carriage for NPR's pioneering show on disability rights: "Let's Hear It!"
- Extensive network of sources on broad range of legal topics.

Independent Producer/Writer for Broadcast and Print Media:

- Produced news coverage for wide range of radio networks, newspapers, and magazines, including National Public Radio, Monitor Radio, Ms. Magazine, the San Francisco and Los Angeles Daily Journals, Health Affairs, the Gannett Center Journal, Student Lawyer, and City Paper.

Experienced Attorney and Advocate:

- Nationally recognized expert and trainer on civil rights law.
- Developed National Legal Aid and Defenders Association's first multi-day civil rights training track for annual national training conference for legal aid attorneys.
- Fair Housing litigation consultant/trainer for California Rural Legal Assistance and Bay Area Legal Aid.
- Authored more than 200 articles and studies on civil rights issues.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Book Editor:

- Bader, Donna, An Appeal to Reason: 204 Strategic Tools to Help You Win Your Appeal at Trial
- Magar, Guy, Kiss Me Quick Before I Shoot: A Filmmaker's Journey

Journalist: Print & Public Radio

- National Public Radio (reporter and editor specializing in legal coverage - 7 years)
- Prentice Hall Law & Business (fair housing/fair lending reporter - 4 years)
- Plaintiff Magazine: (civil rights columnist/editor)
- Commissioned by the federal Government to write critiques on civil rights enforcement efforts by the Justice Department and the Department of Housing and Urban Development, and a policy brief on innovative housing options for people with psychiatric disabilities. (multiple projects)
- Public Interest Video Network (reporter): Produced segment and wrote copy for 2 shows.
- Freelance Journalist (broad range of broadcast and print media including NPR and Ms. Magazine)

Founding Partner:

- Magar & Milstein, Law & Consulting: writing, direct representation, training, publishing, and consulting. Organizational clients include the National Council on Disability, the National Fair Housing Alliance, Alaska Legal Aid, California Rural Legal Assistance, Bay Area Legal Aid, and the San Francisco Mayor's Office on Disability. Since 2008 I have continued to practice law as a solo practitioner specializing in civil rights.

Staff Attorney:

- Disability Rights California.
- Legal Aid of Marin (civil rights and poverty law).
- Consumers Union (consumer law, Medicaid, language rights).
- Worker Options Resource Center (employment law and policy).

Pro Bono:

- United Nations Advocate/Lobbyist: Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
- San Francisco Neighborhood Legal Assistance Foundation (now called Bay Area Legal Aid): civil rights and poverty law.

Law School Employment:

- Law Faculty Research Assistant (law & public policy issues related to gender).
- East Palo Alto Community Law Project (developed successful community organizing campaign on access to banking and credit for a low and moderate income community of color).
- National Fair Housing Alliance (developed legal strategy to attack California requirement that local governments win approval from electorate before building or acquiring public or subsidized housing).
- Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights (race discrimination in public accommodations).

PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

Education Writers Association Award for "Roll Over Earl Warren," Gannett Center Journal
Legal and policy issues raised by proposals to establish separate schools for minority boys.

Knight Center Fellowship in Legal Reporting, University of Maryland in College Park.

William Benton Fellowship in Broadcast Journalism, University of Chicago.

California Bar Foundation Public Interest Law Award

Lisa M. Schnitzer Public Interest Law Award

GRANTS

Harriet Burg Foundation: Wrote successful proposal to provide disability rights coverage for NPR at the 1985 U.N. Int'l Women's Conference in Kenya. Subsequently became board member, and designed and helped fund the nation's only legal fellowship on the rights of women with disabilities.

Fund for Investigative Journalism: Developed successful proposal to investigate the use of psychotropic drugs on people with mental retardation in American mental institutions.

EDUCATION AND ACADEMIC HONORS

Stanford Law School: J.D.

Stanford Fellow for Public Service and Academic Achievement (one of six).

Led successful organizing drive to create and endow the nation's most generous loan forgiveness program for public interest lawyers.

New College of the U. of S. Fla., Sarasota, Fla.: B.A. Majors: Political Theory and Literature

New College uses written evaluations instead of grades, and hence does not offer academic honors.

LANGUAGES

Fluent in French (native speaker), proficient in Spanish.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Public Interest Law Columnist, *Plaintiff Magazine* (monthly column)

Housing for People with Psychiatric Disabilities (National Council on Disability, 2010)

The Civil Rights of Institutionalized Persons Act: Has It Fulfilled Its Promise? (National Council on Disability, 2005)

Rehabilitating Section 504 (National Council on Disability, 2003) (co-author)

A Guide to Fair Housing and Reasonable Accommodation in Section 8 Housing (Abt Publications, 2001)

Civil Rights in a Changing Health Care System (Health Affairs, 1997) (co-author)

Profile

Barry _____ Robinson _____
 First Name Middle Initial Last Name

 Email Address

 Street Address

 City

 Suite or Apt

 State

 Postal Code

Home: (_____) _____
 Primary Phone Alternate Phone

San Francisco Unified School District _____
 Employer Job Title

Junior Clerk

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Commission on Persons with Disabilities: Submitted

Interests & Experiences

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

I am dedicated to public service and wish to make oakland a nicer place for all residents.

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.

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Barry Robinson

Oakland, CA 94601



Work Experience

Junior Clerk

San Francisco Unified School District
February 2022 to Present

Utility Worker/Instructional Assistant

San Mateo Union High School District - San Mateo, CA
September 2021 to March 2022

Patrol Officer

WOODSIDE PATROL - Portola Valley, CA
April 2021 to October 2021

City Carrier

United States Postal Service - Menlo Park, CA
December 2015 to September 2021

Education

Associate's degree

Canada College - Redwood City, CA
January 2011 to May 2015

High school diploma

Mt. Eden High School - Hayward, CA
August 2006 to June 2010

Certifications and Licenses

CPR/AED

First Aid Certification

Assessments

Security guard skills — Proficient

October 2021

Assessing risks, enforcing security standards, and handling complaints

Full results: [Proficient](#)

Management & leadership skills: Planning & execution — Familiar

September 2021

Planning and managing resources to accomplish organizational goals

Full results: [Familiar](#)

Work style: Reliability — Proficient

September 2021

Tendency to be reliable, dependable, and act with integrity at work

Full results: [Proficient](#)

Supervisory skills: Motivating & assessing employees — Proficient

September 2021

Motivating others to achieve objectives and identifying improvements or corrective actions

Full results: [Proficient](#)

Indeed Assessments provides skills tests that are not indicative of a license or certification, or continued development in any professional field.

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION No. _____ C.M.S.

INTRODUCED BY MAYOR LIBBY SCHAAF

RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF MIKE MAGAR, FATIMAH AZUR, AND BARRY ROBINSON TO THE MAYOR'S COMMISSION ON PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

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. 9968 C.M.S., adopted August 5, 1980, and amended by Ordinance No. 11864 C.M.S., adopted March 12, 1996 and then by Ordinance No. 13334 C.M.S., adopted October 20, 2015, created the Commission on Persons with Disabilities to address issues germane to accessibility, services and civil rights for persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Commission on Persons with Disabilities consists of eleven (11) members, serving three-year staggered terms with no more than two consecutive terms; and

WHEREAS, at least a majority of the Commission members appointed must be persons with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Mayor Libby Schaaf has appointed Mike Magar, Fatimah Azur, and Barry Robinson to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities, 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 following reappointments to the Commission on Persons with Disabilities:

Mike Magar, to serve a three-year term beginning on September 3, 2023 and ending September 2, 2026, filling a seat previously held by Frank Sperling.

Fatimah Azur, to serve a three-year term beginning on September 3, 2022 and ending September 3, 2026, filling a seat previously held by Karen Nakamura.

Barry Robinson, to serve a three-year term beginning on _____ 2022 and ending _____, filling a seat previously held by Steven Lau.

IN COUNCIL, OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA,

PASSED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:

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

NOES -

ABSENT –
ABSTENTION –

ATTEST: _____
ASHA REED
City Clerk and Clerk of the Council of the
City of Oakland, California