

**City of Seattle
Notice of Appointment**

Name: Millicent Newhouse		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Council <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Constituency
Residential Neighborhood: N. Beacon Hill	Zip Code: 98144	Contact Phone No.: 206-709-9485
Appointed to: Seattle Women's Commission		Date of Appointment: July 27, 2010
Authority (Ord., Res.): 118392		Term of Office: From: Confirmation To: 7-1-12
Comments: New Appointment		
Authorizing Signature: 		Name and Title of Officer Making Appointments: Mayor Mike McGinn

Confirmed by the Following Vote at City Council

In Favor:	Against:	Date:
Attested by:		Title:



Millicent Newhouse

LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

Northwest Justice Project
Statewide Legal Advocacy Coordinator, August 2006 – Present

Coordinate the advocacy work of attorneys across the State. Facilitate task force meetings in several substantive areas of law including Public Benefits and Limited English Proficiency. Supervise and mentor attorneys. Work extensively with individual advocates on preparing their cases for Administrative Hearings and Superior Court. Frequent trainer on a variety of topics. Founding chair of Diversity committee. Coordinate and facilitate strategic planning and priority setting retreats. Participate in attorney and law student interviewing.

Office of Administrative Hearings
Administrative Law Judge, January 2004 – January 2007; Part-time Pro Tem ALJ – September 2007 to Present

Conducted hearings primarily involving the Department of Social and Health Services. Handled high volume workload. Managed all aspects of hearings including pre-hearing conferences, motions, writing decisions and analysis of a wide range of complex legal issues. Maintained knowledge of relevant state and federal laws and regulations.

University of Washington School of Law
Director, Career Planning Office, September 2000-October 2003

Managed all aspects of the career planning office. Handled staff hiring and performance evaluations. Developed numerous programs and workshops. Conducted trainings for law students. Provided individual career counseling and resume review for students and alumni. Represented the school at professional and community events. Assisted with national minority student recruitment and reviewed applications for law school Admissions. Spoke to junior high and high school students on careers in the law.

Northwest Justice Project
Staff attorney, October 1998- September 2000

Provided legal assistance to low-income clients throughout the state. Advised individuals on civil matters including family law, housing, consumer, employment, education, public benefits, bankruptcy and wills and estates. Served on the office's attorney interview team. Recruited and supervised law clerk.

Washington State Attorney General's Office, Assistant Attorney General positions:
(1989-1998)

Education Division, 1996-1998

Provided legal assistance to community colleges on a wide variety of issues including the Americans with Disabilities act, employment, contract and ethics issues. Worked extensively with the college President, Deans and Board of Trustees. Provided client advice and litigated personnel matters. Supervised law students.

Administrative Division- Attorney Recruitment and Hiring Coordinator, 1995-1997
Coordinated statewide recruitment and hiring of attorney and law students. Fielded questions from prospective applicants, reviewed all application materials and trained interviewers. Supervised attorney and non-attorney staff. Created and implemented statewide Attorney Mentoring program. Frequent speaker for law school workshops.

Social and Health Services Division, 1989-1996

Litigated heavy volume of dependency and termination of parental rights cases. Appeared before the Office of Administrative hearings representing the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) in daycare, foster care and adult family homes licensing cases. Served as the licensing caseload team leader supervising other attorneys in the division. Recruited and supervised the team of law clerks. Trained DSHS caseworkers and Administrative Law Judges.

OTHER EXPERIENCE

University of Washington Paralegal Studies Program, Instructor, 2003
National Academy of Paralegal Studies, Instructor, 1994-1996

EDUCATION

Howard University School of Law, Washington D.C. Juris Doctor, May 1989
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI. Bachelor of Arts in English, May 1986

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Washington State Bar Association

- Access to Justice Board, Pro Se Committee, Co-Chair, 2007 to Present
- Access to Justice Board, Executive Committee Member, 2008- 2009
- Access to Justice Board Member, 2006- 2009
- Committee for Diversity, 1995-1997

Loren Miller Bar Association

- Executive Board, Member at-Large, May 2007- May 2008
- Law Student Mentor, Present
- Annual Dinner Committee chair, 2004

Washington Women Lawyers

- State Board President, 1997-1998
- President-Elect, 1996-1997

Legal Voice (formerly known as the Northwest Women's Law Center)

- Diversity Committee member, May 2007- November 2008
- Board Member, 2001-2004
- Annual Dinner committee chair, 2004

King County Bar Association

- Long Range Planning Committee, 1997-1998
- Young Lawyer's Division, Board of Trustee, 1994-1997

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- YMCA Senior Project Coach, Fall 2008 to 2009
- DSHS Minority Advisory Committee member, 2008 to 2009
- YWCA, Leaders in Progress Volunteer, 2005
- Leadership Tomorrow, Project team Coach, 2001
- YWCA, Young Women's Leadership Institute, Coach- 2001
- Leadership Tomorrow Graduate, 2000
- University of Washington School of Law, Mentor-1995-2000
- Boy's and Girls Club, Mentor & Tutor, (1991-1992/1999-2000)
- Girl's Inc, Board member, 1992-1994

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

- Loren Miller Bar association- Outstanding Young Lawyer of the year, 1999
- Washington State Bar(YLD)-Outstanding Young Lawyer of the year, 1999
- King County Bar association-Outstanding Young Lawyer of the year, 1998
- Washington Women Lawyers-State Board member of the year, 1998
- Washington State Attorney General's office-Outstanding service as Attorney Recruitment Coordinator, 1997

SEATTLE WOMEN'S COMMISSION

July 27, 2010

21 Commission members:

- 9 Appointed by Mayor, confirmed by City Council, 2-year terms
- 9 Appointed by City Council, 2-year terms
- 2 Appointed by the Commission, confirmed by City Council, 2-year terms
- 1 member *Get Engaged: City Boards and Commissions* program: Appointed by Mayor, confirmed by City Council –1-year term-appointed in September

	<u>Commissioner</u>	<u>Date Apptd</u>	<u>Term Ends</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Appointed By</u>	<u>Position</u>
(4)	Abigail Echo-Hawk	7-26-10	7-1-11	2 nd	Mayor	Co-Chair
(5)	Olivia Robinson	7-26-10	7-1-11	2 nd	Mayor	Commissioner
(5)	Linnea Westerlind	7-26-10	7-1-12	2 nd	Mayor	Commissioner
(2)	Rose Hickman	7-26-10	7-1-11	2 nd	Mayor	Commissioner
(2)	Jamila Johnson	7-26-10	7-1-12	2 nd	Mayor	Commissioner
(5)	Erin Kenny	7-26-10	7-1-12	2 nd	Mayor	Commissioner
(5)	Caitlin Kieran	7-26-10	7-1-11	1 st	Mayor	Co-Chair
(2)	Millicent Newhouse	7-26-10	7-1-12	1 st	Mayor	Commissioner
(1)	Andrea Penner	7-26-10	7-1-11	1 st	Mayor	Commissioner
(2)	Vera Njuguna	9-1-09	9-1-10	1 st	Mayor	Get Engaged
(2)	Levonne Abshire	6-21-10	7-1-12	1 st	City Council	
(1)	Alicia Yamamoto	8-31-09	7-1-11	1 st *	City Council	
(5)	Betsy McConnell-Gutierrez	3-13-08	7-1-10	1 st	City Council	
(5)	Mergitu Argo	6-21-10	7-1-12	1 st	City Council	
(1)	Unjin Lee	8-31-09	7-1-11	1 st *	City Council	
(5)	Courtney Noble	8-31-09	7-1-11	1 st	City Council	
(5)	Tracy Brazg	8-31-09	7-1-11	1 st	City Council	
(5)	Dee Wakenight	12-1-09	7-1-11	2 nd	City Council	
(1)	Mengru Wang	3-31-10	7-1-10	1 st	City Council	
(2)	Amy Arrington	3-31-09	7-1-11	1 st	Commission	
(5)	Alison McCaffree	3-31-10	7-1-10	1 st *	Commission	

	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	(1) Asian- American	(2) African- American	(3) Latino	(4) Native- American	(5) Caucasian
Mayor	0	9	0	4	1	3	0	1	5
Council	0	9	0	4	3	1	0	0	5
Commission	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Get Engaged	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Total	0	21	0	10	4	4	0	1	11

*Commissioners whose first appointments are for a term of less than twelve months are eligible to serve for two additional two-year terms.



Michael McGinn
Mayor, City of Seattle

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 27, 2010

TO: The Honorable Richard Conlin
President, Seattle City Council

FROM: Mayor Mike McGinn *MM*

SUBJECT: Appointment and Reappointments to the Seattle Women's Commission

I am pleased to forward to the City Council the following appointment and reappointment to the Seattle Women's Commission:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Term Ends</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Succeeding</u>
Abigail Echo-Hawk	07/01/11	Commissioner	Reappointment
Olivia Robinson	07/01/11	Commissioner	Reappointment
Linnea Westerlind	07/01/12	Commissioner	Reappointment
Rose Hickman	07/01/11	Commissioner	Eboni Colbert
Jamila Johnson	07/01/12	Commissioner	Kathryn Hubbard
Erin Kenny	07/01/12	Commissioner	Lette Hadgu
Caitlin Kieran	07/01/11	Commissioner	Sonya Zilka
Millicent Newhouse	07/01/12	Commissioner	Masha Burina
Andrea Penner	07/01/11	Commissioner	Patricia Carlos Padilla

The Seattle Women's Commission is composed of 21 members: 9 appointed by the City Council, 9 appointed by the Mayor, 2 appointed by the Commission itself and 1 Get Engaged member. All appointments are subject to City Council confirmation. Attached please find the current membership of the Seattle Women's Commission with these appointments reflected.

Re-appointments

Abigail Echo-Hawk

Abigail Echo-Hawk is an enrolled member of the Pawnee Nation who has made Seattle her home for the past 12 years. With a B.A. and Masters of Policy Studies from the University of Washington, Ms. Echo-Hawk currently works for UW as a Tribal Liaison for the Institute for

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Translational Health Sciences. As a dedicated advocate for women's health, Ms. Echo-Hawk has concentrated on policy change to decrease health disparities in infant mortality for Native American and African American women in Seattle. As mother with two young boys, she also continues to work toward equitable educational outcomes in Seattle schools. In her spare time she enjoys reading, taking her boys to dance at powwows, and spending time with her husband, sons, family and friends.

Olivia Robinson

Olivia Robinson works as the Regional Affairs Coordinator for the Puget Sound Regional Council and previously worked for Congressman Jay Inslee. She received her BA in Political Science and History from the Saint Mary College in Leavenworth, KS and her MA in History from Montana State University. She worked with children from inner-city Belfast at Glebe House in Northern Ireland and currently is active with the Institute for a Democratic Future and as a mentor with the Girl Scouts Beyond Bars program.

Linnea Westerlind

Linnea Westerlind has a Bachelor's degree in journalism from Western Washington University and a Master's degree in international development from Uppsala University in Sweden. She is currently a communications consultant to local non-profits and businesses. She has worked in the communications field for six years and previously was the Director of Communications for the YMCA of Greater Seattle. Linnea is passionate about women's issues, particularly preventing violence against women, creating opportunities for immigrant women and giving women a voice through media.

New Appointments

Rose Hickman

Rose Hickman graduated from high school in June 2003 and attended college at George Washington University in Washington, DC. During her junior year of college she had the immense privilege of studying abroad in Ecuador and Oaxaca, Mexico, where she conducted independent study projects in African Diaspora communities. In Ecuador she documented the experiences Afro-Ecuadorian youth in a small rural village, including experience with identity, racism, assimilation, education and religion. In Mexico, She documented the affect of migration on Afro-Mexican women living in a coastal town. She now lives and works in South/Central Seattle and loves her community of friends and neighbors. When she first moved to Seattle, she served as an AmeriCorps member at Tyee Educational Complex in SeaTac. After her year of service, she worked with a mentoring program at Cleveland High School working with youth who self-identified as being at risk of not graduating high school. I currently work at Therapeutic Health Services, Central Youth and Family Services as a Case Manager for Homeless Youth.

Jamila Johnson

Jamila Johnson is an attorney practicing primarily in the areas of constitutional and commercial litigation at regional law firm Schwabe, Williamson & Wyatt. She earned her undergraduate degree from Seattle University in mass communications with an emphasis in journalism and her law degree from the University of Washington where she was the editor of the Shidler Journal of Law Commerce & Technology. Jamila is passionate about constitutional rights and was awarded an Olympia Fellowship to work with the Secretary of State's office monitoring election law legislation in the 2006 legislative session. She has represented clients with Innocence Project Northwest, a legal clinic dedicated to exonerating those who have been falsely convicted of serious crimes. Additionally she is the editor-in-chief of De Novo, the official publication of the Young Lawyers Division of the Washington State Bar Association. A member of her firm's pro bono committee, Jamila has successfully represented clients in pro bono cases involving domestic abuse and asylum.

Erin Kenny

Erin Kenny is a director with Alvarez & Marsal Business Consulting where her recent work has included engagements in the areas of international microfinance, U.S. education, and Washington public assistance programs. Erin has a B.A. from Duke University and earned her M.B.A at Northwestern's Kellogg School of Management. While she has an interest in a range of women's issues, her passion is in creating social change that is sustainable and measurable.

Caitlin Kieran

Caitlin earned her Bachelor's degree in Literature and Art History from Yale University. She currently works as a Grant Consultant for the Los Angeles Parks Foundation and volunteers with Washington Women's Employment & Education and the Women's Funding Alliance. She has also worked with women's organizations in Ghana, Ecuador and Peru. Caitlin is passionate about advocating for the health, economic and leadership opportunities and equality of women and girls and believes that achieving these aims will greatly benefit the entire Seattle community.

Millicent Newhouse

Millicent Newhouse is an attorney with the Northwest Justice Project which is a not-for-profit organization serving low income clients in areas of poverty law. Millicent previously worked as an administrative law judge hearing cases involving public benefits and child support. Millicent began her legal career with the Attorney General's office where she held a variety of positions. Millicent has been active in leadership positions with a wide range of state and local bar associations and community groups. Millicent has served as past president of Washington Women Lawyers and as a board member for legal voice (formerly known as the Northwest Women's Law Center).

The Honorable Richard Conlin

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Andrea Penner

Historically, Andrea has always been passionate about the issues of those marginalized by society, whether it is the cause of inclusion for individuals living with disabilities or issues surrounding immigration, as motivated by my own personal experiences as a first generation Asian-Canadian, and Permanent Resident in the US. I She has a sense of responsibility and accountability to act, and to help empower those without a voice. All the while her unique lens as a woman has been critical in shaping her worldview. Andrea feels that joining the SWC would allow her to play an active role in identifying and addressing key issues for marginalized women right here in our community of Seattle.

If you have any questions regarding these appointments, please call Marta R. Idowu, Commission Liaison at the Seattle Office for Civil Rights (206) 684-4540.

Attachments

Copy: Wayne Barnett, Executive Director, Ethics and Elections Commission
Marta R. Idowu, SWC Liaison, Seattle Office for Civil Rights
Jennifer Samuels, Legislative Assistant, Seattle City Council
Tania María Rosario, Boards and Commissions Administrator for the Mayor