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# City of Seattle

## Notice of Appointment

<b>Name:</b>  <i>Jeffrey Murdock</i>		<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
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b>  <i>Belltown</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b>  <i>98121</i>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b>  <i>206.601.9997</i>
<b>Appointed to:</b>  <i>Landmarks Preservation Board</i>		<b>Date of Appointment:</b>  <i>January 7, 2011</i>
<b>Authority (Ord., Res.):</b>  <i>SMC 25.12</i>		<b>Term of Office</b> <b>From:</b> <i>Confirmation</i> <b>To:</b> <i>August 15, 2013</i>
<b>Comments:</b>  <i>New Appointment, Finance Position</i>		
<b>Authorizing Signature:</b>  <i>Michael McK</i>		<b>Name and Title of Officer Making Appointments:</b>  Mayor Mike McGinn

### Confirmed by the Following Vote at City Council

<b>In Favor:</b>	<b>Against:</b>	<b>Date:</b>
<b>Attested by:</b>		<b>Title:</b>



## JEFFREY SCOTT MURDOCK



Profession: **Independent Designer, 2001-2010**

- Developed, designed and managed rehabilitation/construction of numerous residential and mixed-use projects in Seattle, Los Angeles and Detroit. Managed multiple projects simultaneously. Responsible for design, construction, documentation and agency approvals.
- Performed research and documentation to obtain historic preservation grants and subsidies from government agencies and lenders
- Developed budgets and pro-forma analysis for development projects and tracked construction budgets.
- Managed construction administration and served as general contractor, managing and scheduling subcontractors.
- Architect Registration Examination Candidate, estimated completion 2010

**Coast Plating, Incorporated, Los Angeles, 1990-2008**

Vice President of Finance and Administration

- Responsible for daily operations of 80 person aerospace manufacturing firm; oversaw client communications, human resources, cash management, plant and personnel investment. Revenues increased 60% and EBITDA increased 275% over 3 year period preceding sale of firm.
- Oversaw daily accounting functions including GL, A/R, A/P, Payroll and Reporting.
- Managed industrial properties held by firm and principals and negotiated eventual exchange of real estate portfolio.
- Developed systems to coordinate and provide performance visibility to Quality, Production, Marketing and Accounting departments.
- Performed financial analysis, valuation analysis, marketing, negotiation and diligence leading to successful sale of firm.

Education: **University of Washington, Seattle, Washington**

Master of Science in Architectural History and Theory, beginning Fall, 2010

- Research-based program to focus on sustainability issues in Historic Preservation, History of Modern Architecture, Regionalism in American Modern Architecture.
- History teaching position, seminar to course in Architecture of the Ancient World.

**University of Washington, Seattle, Washington**  
Master of Architecture degree, 2004

- Valle Scholarship, 2000 for independent study at *Kungl Tekniska Högskolan*, (Royal Institute of Technology), Stockholm. Thesis research.
- Attendee, International Conference on Sustainable Building 2000, Maastricht, Netherlands.
- Furniture Studio Commendation, Andris Vanags, Studio Instructor.
- Co-managing Editor, *Column 5*, vol. xiii, University of Washington Journal of Architecture.
- Architecture Shop and Furniture Studio teaching assistant and Lighting Studio technician.
- Design Thesis: *The Matter of Place: A Center for the Study of Humanistic Construction*, an investigation into low-technology and locally appropriate sustainable architecture through the adaptive reuse and design of a materials research laboratory in an abandoned fire station.

**California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, California**  
Bachelor of Science degree, Business Administration, Concentration in Finance, 1990

- Finance Committee member for Associated Students, Inc.
- Senior Project: *Valuation Analysis of a Closely Held Manufacturing Firm*

Research And Publications: *Robert Reichert: Ghosts of a Renaissance Cathedral*, excerpt published Column 5, 1999  
*The Los Angeles Architecture of John and Donald Parkinson*, continuing research  
*Morgan, Walls and Clements*, continuing research  
*The Rustic Architecture of Gilbert Stanley Underwood*, continuing research

Technology: Proficient in AutoCAD2009, AutoCAD 3d, Rhino 3d Modeling  
Quick Books, OSAS and Traverse accounting packages, ADP Software,  
Proficient with Microsoft Office applications, advanced training and competency with Excel.

Languages: Spanish, four years language study with 18 years practical application in work.  
Swedish, one year equivalent intensive course with 6 months residency in Stockholm

Travel: England, Ireland, France; 1999  
Studied works by Le Corbusier, Foster, contemporary works.

Sweden, Finland, Russia; 2000

Studied early modern buildings including works by Aalto, Asplund, Lewerentz, Saarinen, examples of sustainable works, contemporary works.

Budapest, Prague, Brno, Vienna; 2001

Studied pre-WWII era modernist buildings, Cubist buildings, Baba housing development, works by Loos, Wagner, Van der Rohe, Stam, contemporary works.

Spain, Portugal; 2002

Studied works by Gaudi, Siza, Souto de Moura; historic works in Barcelona, Madrid, Toledo, Sevilla, Lisbon, Oporto.

Switzerland, Northern Italy; 2003

Visited works by Zumthor, Herzog de Meuron, Scarpa, Palladio.

Mexico; various trips

Studied works by Barragan, O'Gorman, pre-Colombian sites in Zacatecas, Yucatan, Valley of Mexico.

Travel throughout the US and Canada with focus on works by Neutra, Schindler, Wright, Kappe, Breuer, Sullivan, Van der Rohe, Saarinen, Erickson and contemporary works.

Community: *Architects Without Borders*, Seattle, Washington, 2009-2010

Pro-bono project involving ten architects to design school and orphanage for *Jua Lekundu*, a foundation working to benefit community in Babati, Tanzania. Project developed through schematic design to allow foundation to pursue fundraising goals.

*4-H Youth Development Program*, Los Angeles, California, 2001-2007

Volunteer Adult leader of Photography project; lead discussions and mentor members in project work, public speaking, leadership roles; judge in fairs, competitions.

## LANDMARKS PRESERVATION BOARD

*January 2011*

12 members: All appointed by Mayor, confirmed by City Council

- 11 members serve a term of 3-years
- 1 member, selected a part of the Get Engaged program, serves one term of 1-year

D	Name	Date Appointed	Term Expires	Term #	Position	Appointing Authority
(0) M	Christine Howard	6-18-07	8-15-11	1 <sup>st</sup> Full Term	At- Large	Mayor
(0) F	Mark Hannum	4-26-05	8-15-11	2 <sup>nd</sup>	At-Large	Mayor
(0) F	Steve Savage	2-17-09	8-15-11	1 <sup>st</sup>	Structural Engineer	Mayor
(0) F	Betsy Jacobson	10-12-10	9-1-11	Only	Get Engaged	Get Engaged, Mayor
(0) M	Elaine Wine	11-16-09	8-15-12	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Architect	Mayor
(0) M	Jerry Finrow	12-14-09	8-15-12	1 <sup>st</sup>	Planning Commission	Mayor
(0) F	Marie Strong	12-17-07	8-15-12	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Real Estate	Mayor
(0) F	Patrick King	11-16-09	8-15-12	1 <sup>st</sup>	At-Large	Mayor
(0) M	Aaron Luoma	1-07-11	8-15-13	1 <sup>st</sup>	Historian	Mayor
(0) M	Alison Walker Brems	1-07-11	8-15-13	1 <sup>st</sup>	Architect	Mayor
(0) M	Jeffery Murdock	1-07-11	8-15-13	1 <sup>st</sup>	Finance	Mayor
(0) F	Meredith Wirsching	2-17-09	8-15-13	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Historian	Mayor

*(sorted by appt auth, term end date and name)*

### *Diversity*

	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)				
	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	Asian-American	African-American	Hispanic Latina	Native-American	Other	Caucasian
Mayor	6	5	1							
Council										
Other Bodies										
<i>Total</i>	6	5	1							



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**MEMORANDUM**

**Date** January 7, 2011

**To** The Honorable Richard Conlin  
President, Seattle City Council

**From** Mayor Michael McGinn *MM*

**Subject** **Mayoral Appointments to the Landmarks Preservation Board**

The Landmarks Preservation Board makes recommendations to the City Council for landmark designation and reviews all proposed physical alterations to designated features of landmark properties. The Board was established in 1973 and is composed of twelve members consisting of: two architects, two historians, one structural engineer, one representative each from the fields of real estate and finance, one member from the City Planning Commission, a Get Engaged member, and three members at-large. The terms of the new appointees will end on August 15, 2013. They carry with them the possibility of renewal.

I am happy to forward to the City Council the following appointments and reappointment to the Landmarks Preservation Board. The re-appointment is to an Historian position. The new appointments are to the Architect, Historian, and Finance positions.

Name	Term Ends	Position	Succeeding
Alison Walker Brems	08-15-13	Architect	Vernon Abelsen
Aaron Luoma	08-15-13	Historian	Thomas Veith
Jeffrey Murdock	08-15-13	Finance	Vacant
Meredith Wirsching	08-15-13	Historian	Re-appointment

The appointment bios for appointees are as follows:

**Alison Walker Brems** has 16 years of experience as a designer and architect. In addition to her experience working on such public projects as the South Park and Capitol Hill libraries, she also has worked on many single family homes ranging from early twentieth century mansions to small craftsman bungalows. Ms. Walker Brems was an active member of Docomomo WEWA (Documentation and Conservation of the Modern Movement, Western WA), contributing to tours and articles on Pacific Northwest modern architecture. Her appreciation and knowledge of historic building materials and her attention to detail will be an asset to the Board.

The Honorable Richard Conlin

January 6, 2011

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**Aaron Luoma** is a practicing landscape architect, with a special interest in landscape history. He has worked for HBB Landscape Architecture since 2006, focusing on public projects in Seattle and the Western Washington area. Mr. Luoma served as the Get-Engaged member for the Landmarks Preservation Board during 2009-10. His knowledge of plant materials, landscape design and history has been incredibly useful when the Board has reviewed various Seattle Parks Department projects, as well as privately owned landmarks that include site features.

**Jeffrey Murdock** is a freelance designer, while also pursuing his own small-scale development projects. Prior to receiving his Master of Architecture degree in 2004, Mr. Murdock had a long career in finance, managing a business along with its real estate portfolio. He has been an active volunteer with both *Architects Without Borders* and *4-H Youth Development Program*. Mr. Murdock's experience developing budgets, pro-forma analysis for development projects, and tracking construction budgets will be an asset to the Board.

**Meredith Wirsching** has over 18 years of experience as a designer and architect for a range of institutional, government, commercial and residential projects. She is experienced in renovation as well as new construction. She has a particular interest in historic preservation and adaptive reuse of historic structures. As a partner at Clark Design Group, Ms. Wirsching has been actively involved in the renovation of the Medical Dental Building, several buildings in Seattle's Pioneer Square Preservation District as well as a major renovation of the St. Martin's College main campus building. Her preservation expertise includes knowledge of administrative processes as well as building technology, both of which have been an asset to the Board.

Attachments: Notice of appointment(s)  
Resume(s)  
Current roster

Copy: Sarah Sodt, Board Coordinator, Department of Neighborhoods  
Elizabeth Chave, Board Coordinator, Department of Neighborhoods  
Wayne Barnett, Executive Director, Ethics and Elections Commission  
Tania María Rosario, Boards and Commissions