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Notice of Appointment

Name: <i>Benjamin B. Krokower</i>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Council <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Constituency
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Queen Anne</i>	Zip Code: <i>98109</i>	Contact Phone No.:
Appointed to: <i>Citizen's Telecommunications & Technology Advisory Board</i>		Date of Appointment: <i>March 7, 2012</i>
Authority (Ord., Res.): 117703 as amended by Ordinance 118006I		Term of Office From: <i>Confirmation</i> To: <i>January 1, 2014</i>
Background: <i>Ben represents a small tech business perspective, but has also worked for Microsoft. His software consulting business specializes in providing web site and database consulting for local non-profit and political organizations. He's worked with the Downtown Seattle Association and Pride Foundation among others. Ben has also been attending CTTAB meetings for about a year and has demonstrated high interest in the Board's work and shows a commitment to be an active member.</i>		
Authorizing Signature: <i>Michael McGinn</i>		Name and Title of Officer Making Appointments: Mayor Mike McGinn

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Benjamin Bernard Krokower

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I am a technology entrepreneur here in Seattle, owning my own small software consulting business for the past 6 years, a Washington State corporation named Upwards Technologies. We specialize in providing web site and database consulting for local non-profit and political organizations. I've focused my business on individuals and organizations that support the goals of causes and candidates that move our city and state forward for equality, diversity and fairness.

Employment History

President and Owner , Upwards Technologies – 2005 – present

- As the founder of Upwards Technologies, I run all aspects of a Washington State corporation, with 2-5 employees, specializing in providing technology consulting to Puget Sound-area small businesses, non-profits and campaigns.
- Upwards Technologies clients include the Downtown Seattle Association, the Pride Foundation, the Center for Children and Youth Justice, Washington Won't Discriminate, Schools First, League of Education Voters, and many political campaigns for various local, state and federal elected representatives.
- I have refined a highly cost-effective solution for taking political and non-profit donations online, allowing many of my clients pay much less to banks and other third-party services.

Technology Director, Gregoire for Governor 2004 – 2004 to 2005

- As Technology Director, I was responsible for all of the IT and software for the Gregoire 2004 campaign. This included the implementation and maintenance of the website, email newsletters, donation page technology as well as the maintenance of the various IT systems such as email, networking and hardware.

Development Manager, Microsoft Corporation – 1999 – 2004

- At Microsoft, I ran development team of 3-5 people, building tools to support the MSN Operations team to monitor and heal their large server farm. These servers were responsible for the operation of such Microsoft web services as Hotmail, Microsoft Search, MSN.com and many other websites with many millions of users.
- I was the primary database developer for a mission-critical monitoring system which hundreds of Microsoft employees relied on for the monitoring and reporting of these systems.

Education

Bates College, Lewiston, Maine – Graduated with a B.A. in Mathematics and a Minor in Computer Science.

I also completed numerous database design and implementation course at Microsoft as part of their in-house training program.

Other Interests and Volunteer Work

- Past webmaster for the Battle Point Astronomical Association, a Bainbridge Island-based amateur astronomy club and the Ferry Dog Mothers, a Bainbridge Island-based dog rescue organization.
- Past member of the 36th District Democrats.
- A committed cyclist and Seattle bike commuter. Also, a member of the Adventure Cycling Association.
- Volunteered in fall 2010 for after-school tutoring at the non-profit 826 Seattle.

CTTAB BOARD ROSTER

**CITIZENS TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY
ADVISORY BOARD (CTTAB)**

Roster as of March 2012

Establishing Ordinance 117703 as amended last by Ordinance 123181.

10 members: All subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms for 9 positions, 1-year term for Get Engaged position. Positions are renewable for two terms.

3 At Large	Appointed by Council
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1 Education	Appointed by Mayor
1 Public Access to Telecommunications	Appointed by Mayor
1 Get Engaged	Appointed by Mayor

Name	Appointed	Term Ends	Term #	Position	Appointed By
Ted Schmitt	1/1/09	1/01/13	2nd	Chair, At Large	Council
Robert Dolin	1/24/11	1/01/13	1st	Vice Chair, At Large	Council
Brian Hsi	1/24/11	1/01/13	1st	At Large	Council
Karen Manuel	1/1/09	1/01/13	2nd	Public Access	Mayor
Stacey Wedlake	1/24/11	1/01/13	1st	Education	Mayor
Marina Martin	1/24/11	1/01/13	1st	At Large	Mayor
Daniel Carrillo, Jr.	1/1/10	1/01/13	1st*	At Large	Mayor
Bryan Dosono	9/30/2011	9/30/12	1st	Get Engaged	Mayor
Benjamin Krokower	3/7/12	1/01/14	1st	At Large	Mayor
Open	1/11	1/14		At Large	Council

* Daniel also served as a Get Engaged representative prior to this term.