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City of Seattle
Notice of Appointment

Name: ***Isabel Bussarakum***		☐ **Executive Appointment** ☐ **Reappointment** ☒ **Legislative Appointment** ☐ **Agency Appointment** ☐ **PDA Council** ☐ **PDA Constituency**
Residential Neighborhood: *Central*	**Zip Code:** *98122*	**Contact Phone No.:** *206-684-4537*
Appointed to: *At-large member of the Seattle Human Rights Commission*		**Date of Appointment:** *August 27, 2012*
Authority (Ord., Res.): *S.M.C. 3.14.920*		**Term of Office** **From:** *Confirmation* **To:** *July 22, 2014*
Background:		
Authorizing Signature: Bruce A. Harrell		**Name and Title of Officer Making Appointments:** **Councilmember Bruce Harrell**

Revised 3/11

ISABEL BUSSARAKUM

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EDUCATION

YALE LAW SCHOOL, New Haven, CT, J.D. June 2011

Honors: Fellowship Recipient, Arthur Liman Public Interest Program, 2011-2013
Finalist, ABA First Amendment & Media Law Diversity Moot Court Competition, 2011

Activities: Editor, *Yale Law Journal*, 2009-2011
Articles Editor, *Yale Journal of Law & the Humanities*, 2008-2011
Admissions Chair, Pacific Islander, Asian, & Native American Law Students Ass'n, 2009-2010

Publication: ISABEL BUSSARAKUM, CLARK GARD & ARTHUR PLEWS, ALLARD K. LOWENSTEIN INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS CLINIC, TEARING APART AT THE SEAMS: WIDESPREAD USE OF FIXED-DURATION CONTRACTS THREATENS CAMBODIAN WORKERS AND THE CAMBODIAN GARMENT INDUSTRY (May 2011).

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, New York, NY, B.A., *summa cum laude*, Anthropology and English June 2007

Honors: Phi Beta Kappa, Departmental Honors in Anthropology
Charles Paterno Barratt-Brown Memorial Prize, English Dept. (for critical writing in any scholarly field)
Sheldon Scheps Research Prize, Anthropology Dept. (for outstanding scholarly achievement)

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

LIMAN FELLOW, THE DEFENDER ASSOCIATION, Seattle, WA Aug. 2011-Present

- Designing and implementing the holistic legal services component of Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD), the nation's first pre-booking program diverting low-level offenders to social services, in lieu of criminal prosecution. Providing legal services to participants to mitigate their barriers to re-entering society.
- Civil legal services include vacating & sealing criminal convictions, modifying child support, adjudicating court fines, representing clients at administrative hearings, and advocating for tenants' rights.
- Criminal law services include probable cause hearings, bail arguments, arraignments, plea-bargaining, warrant-quashings, review hearings, and co-counseling misdemeanor cases for trial.
- Compiling resources, templates, and materials on civil legal issues for use by public defender office.
- Organizing and advocating on issues, including police accountability and reform, reform around driver license suspension, and legislation prohibiting discrimination based on criminal history.

NEW HAVEN LEGAL ASSISTANCE ASSOCIATION, INC., New Haven, CT Sept. 2010-May 2011

Researched and analyzed criminal law issues such as double jeopardy, sentencing & improper use of evidence. Interviewed clients, wrote client letters, drafted appellate briefs and memoranda, and attended oral arguments.

OFFICE OF THE STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER, San Francisco, CA Summer 2009

Researched and drafted memoranda on proving mental disability as defense in death penalty appeal. Reviewed exhibits, witness declarations, and evidence presented at trial to build appeal. Researched expert witnesses.

LOWENSTEIN INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS CLINIC, New Haven, CT Spring 2009

Traveled to Cambodia to conduct fieldwork on treatment of garment factory workers. Interviewed government officials, ILO representatives, union leaders, and garment workers. Drafted report summarizing fieldwork findings, and analyzing compliance with domestic and international labor and human rights laws.

EQUAL RIGHTS CENTER, Washington, DC 2007-2008

Conducted educational trainings on civil rights laws. Edited investigative reports on discriminatory practices. Wrote and distributed press releases, organized press conferences, and published newsletter.

BAR MEMBERSHIP

Washington State Bar (admitted Nov. 2011)

LANGUAGES & INTERESTS

Proficient in Spanish and Thai. Traveling, photography, discovering new music, movies (new & old), and food.

Seattle Human Rights Commission

August 27, 2012

15 members, confirmed by City Council, who serve a term of 2-years:

- 7 appointed by Mayor, confirmed by City Council
- 7 appointed by City Council
- 1 appointed by the Commission, confirmed by City Council

1 Get Engaged Member, confirmed by City Council who serves a single term of 1-year

D	G	Name	Appointed	Term Ends	Term #	Position	Appointed By
6	*F*	*Katherine Beckett*	*08-27-12*	*07-22-14*	*1st*		*City Council*
1	*F*	*Isabel Bussarakum*	*08-27-12*	*07-22-14*	*1st*		*City Council*
6	*F*	*Catherine Moore*	*08-27-12*	*07-22-14*	*1st*		*City Council*
6	F	Jessica Andrade	01-05-10	07-22-13	2nd		City Council
4	F	Nika Dahlbacka	09-09-10	07-22-13	3rd	Secretary	City Council
2	M	Joshuah Marshall	10-31-11	07-22-13	2nd	Vice Chair	City Council
3	M	Greg Ramirez	10-31-11	07-22-13	1st		City Council
1	*F*	*Christina Ygona*	*08-27-12*	*07-22-14*	*1st*		*Commission*
		Vacant		07-22-14	1st		Mayor
		Vacant		07-22-14	1st		Mayor
		Vacant		07-22-14	1st		Mayor
1	F	Jennifer Yogi	07-30-10	07-22-14	2nd		Mayor
5	F	Marsha Mavunkel	10-31-11	07-22-13	1st		Mayor
6	M	Martin Penner	07-30-10	07-22-13	2nd		Mayor
4	M	Christopher Stearns	07-30-09	07-22-13	2nd	Chair	Mayor
3	F	Andrea Negrete	09-01-11	09-01-12	1st	Get Engaged	Mayor

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

Diversity

	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	(1) Asian-American	(2) African-American	(3) Hispanic Latin@	(4) Native-American	(5) Other	(6) Caucasian
Council	2	5	0	4	1	1	1	1	0	3
Commission	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Mayor	2	2	3	3	0	0	0	1	1	1
Get Engaged	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Total	***4***	***9***	***3***	***9***	***2***	***1***	***2***	***2***	***1***	***4***