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City of Seattle

Notice of Appointment

Name: *Michael Mitchell*		☒ **Executive Appointment** ☐ **Reappointment** 4 ☐ **Legislative Appointment** ☐ **Agency Appointment** ☐ **PDA Council** ☐ **PDA Constituency**
Residential Neighborhood: *Downtown Seattle*	**Zip Code:** *98101*	**Contact Phone No.:** *n/a*
Appointed to: *Human Rights*		**Date of Appointment:** *September 1, 2012*
Authority (Ord., Res.): *Ordinance 121568*		**Term of Office** **From:** *Confirmation* **To:** *9/1/2013*

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Background:

The civic engagement bug bit Michael Mitchell a long time ago. As an undergraduate student, he served as Vice President of the local NAACP chapter. Michael also interned in Washington, DC working for the late Massachusetts Senator Edward Kennedy and U.S. Representative Jim Himes of Connecticut. In 2011, after being selected as a State Policy Fellow by the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, Michael decided to take his talents to Seattle.

Currently, Michael conducts research on tax and budget policy issues at the state level as a policy analyst with the Washington State Budget and Policy Center, a non-profit, non-partisan think tank focused on improving the economic security and prosperity of all in the state while also supporting the role of government in promoting a just and prosperous society.

Michael holds a Masters of Public Administration from the Maxwell School at Syracuse University. Prior to obtaining his masters, Michael attended the University of Connecticut, earning degrees in Economics and Political Science, graduating with honors. In his free time, you can find him floating in a kayak on Lake Union or checking out the poetry scene around town.

Authorizing Signature:	**Name and Title of Officer Making Appointment:** *Mayor Mike McGinn*

Michael D. Mitchell II

Experience

State Policy Fellow - Washington State Budget and Policy Center; Seattle, WA
August 2011 - Present

- Conduct research and analysis on state budget, tax, and social policy issues with special focus on how these issues affect low and moderate income families.
- Produce policy reports and other materials for use by policymakers, journalists, advocacy groups, and civic organizations.
- Work with community partners by providing presentations on the state budget, tax policy, and social issues pertinent to the state.

Teaching Assistant – Introduction to Statistics; Syracuse, NY
August 2010 – May 2011

- Teaching assistant for graduate-level statistics course. Responsible for aiding students in the comprehension of introductory statistical concepts, such as summarizing data, inferential statistics and regression analysis.
- Grade exams and frequent homework assignments in a timely manner and responsible for proctoring exams.
- Assist students in mastering statistical software packages such as PASW and STATA.

Congressional Intern - U.S. Congressman Jim Himes; Congressional Office, Washington, DC
January – April 2009

- Assisted the Congressman with his transition to the House of Representatives, helping to organize the office and establishing connections with federal departments.
- Aided legislative staff with the management and submission of appropriations requests.
- Responsible for handling constituent mailings, phone calls, and other correspondence.
- Responsible for drafting over 15 letter and email responses regarding policy issues such as healthcare, animal rights, and communications infrastructure.

Senate Intern - U.S. Senator Edward Kennedy; Congressional Office, Washington, DC
June – July 2008

- Responsible for constituent correspondence on issues concerning economic development.
- Drafted memos on issues such as systemic risk in the financial markets and POW and MIA recovery operations.
- Attended approximately 2-3 Senate and House committee hearings and briefings per week, pertaining to economic issues such as Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac, the Federal Reserve, and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Education

Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs at Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY
MPA Candidate - July 2011

- Focus: State and Local Finance and Management; Program Evaluation
- Public Policy and International Affairs Full-Scholarship Fellow

- Relevant Coursework: Econometrics, Public Budgeting, State and Local Finance, Tax Policy, Program Evaluation

University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT
B.A. - June 2010

- Double major Political Science and Economics
- Completed courses in Micro / Macroeconomics, Evaluating Public Programs, Policy Analysis, Advanced Statistics, Urban Economics, Labor Economics.

Heinz College at Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA: Junior Summer Institute, PPIA - Summer 2009.

- Public Policy and International Affairs (PPIA) Fellow
- Completed intensive courses in Policy Analysis, Economics, graduate-level Statistics and Professional Communication.

Leadership and Honors

Leadership Activities:

- Syracuse University
  - Coalition of Multicultural Public Affairs Students, Secretary (Summer 2010-2011)
    - Organizer: 1st annual COMPAS Inclusive Governance Conference
- University of Connecticut
  - Founder and Editor of Sophomore Honors Community Newsletter (2007-2008)
  - NAACP University of Connecticut Student Chapter, Vice President (Fall 2008 – Spring 2009)
  - University of Connecticut Model United Nations – Editor of the Model U.N. Newspaper (Fall 2008, Fall 2009)
  - UConn P.A.S.S. Program Mentor (Fall 2008)

Honors:

- Emerging Leadership Award Recipient (1 of 2 students at UCONN to receive award)
- Institute for Responsible Citizenship summer Scholar, 2008
- Public Policy and International Affairs (PPIA) Fellow

Skills

- Extensive use of Adobe Illustrator CS5, proficient in Adobe Photoshop an Adobe InDesign
- Proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint
- Extensive use of Intranet Quorum (IQ) enterprise software
- Proficient in both Stata and SPSS statistical software packages

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	08-09-12	07-22-14	1st		City Council
1	F	Isabel Bussarakum	08-09-12	07-22-14	1st		City Council
6	F	Catherine Moore	08-09-12	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
3	F	Christine Ygona	08-20-12	07-22-14	1st		Commission
		Vacant (Carter)		07-22-14	1st		Mayor
		Vacant (Ortiz)		07-22-14	1st		Mayor
		Vacant (Osborne)		07-22-12	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
2	***M***	***Michael Mitchell***	***09-01-12***	***09-01-13***	***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
Mayor	2	2	3	3	1	0	0	1	1	1
Council	2	5	0	4	1	1	1	1	0	3
Commission	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0
Get Engaged	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Total	***5***	***8***	***3***	***9***	***2***	***2***	***2***	***2***	***1***	***4***