

COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington D.C. 20004

Memorandum

To : Members of the Council

From : 
Nyasha Smith, Secretary to the Council

Date : June 11, 2018

Subject : Referral of Proposed Legislation

Notice is given that the attached proposed legislation was introduced in the Office of the Secretary on Wednesday, June 6, 2018. Copies are available in Room 10, the Legislative Services Division.

TITLE: "Board of Zoning Adjustment Lorna John Confirmation Resolution of 2018", PR22-0898

INTRODUCED BY: Chairman Mendelson at the request of the Mayor

The Chairman is referring this legislation to the Committee of the Whole. This resolution will be deemed disapproved on Monday, November 12, 2018 without Council action.

Attachment

cc: General Counsel
Budget Director
Legislative Services



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SECRETARY

MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

JUN 6 2018

The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), and pursuant to section 8 of An Act Providing for the zoning of the District of Columbia and the regulation of the location, height, bulk, and uses of buildings and other structures and of the uses of land in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes, approved June 20, 1938 (52 Stat. 799; D.C. Official Code § 6-641.07), I am pleased to nominate the following individual:

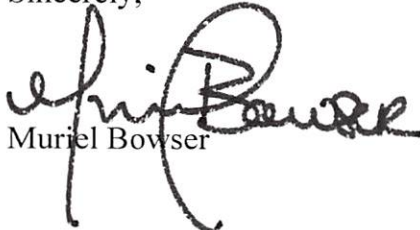
Ms. Lorna John
927 French Street NW
Washington, DC 20001
(Ward 6)

for reappointment as a public member of the Board of Zoning Adjustment, to serve a term to end September 30, 2021.

Enclosed you will find biographical information detailing the experience of Ms. John, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,


Muriel Bowser



Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Chairman Phil Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced the following resolution,
which was referred to the Committee on _____.

To confirm the reappointment of Ms. Lorna John to the Board of Zoning Adjustment.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Board of Zoning Adjustment Lorna John Confirmation Resolution of 2018".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the reappointment of:

Ms. Lorna John
927 French Street NW
Washington, DC 20001
(Ward 6)

as a public member of the Board of Zoning Adjustment, pursuant to section 8 of An Act Providing for the zoning of the District of Columbia and the regulation of the location, height, bulk, and uses of buildings and other structures and of the uses of land in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes, approved June 20, 1938 (52 Stat. 799; D.C. Official Code § 6-641.07), to serve a term to end September 30, 2021.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution, upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

LORNA JOHN

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

February 2001 **Office of the Chief Counsel**
to September 2013 **International Law, Legislation and Regulations Division**
 Federal Aviation Administration, Washington, D.C.
 Senior Attorney

Provided legal advice and counsel to management and other agency personnel on a wide range of legal and policy issues affecting international aviation. As Senior Attorney for International Regulatory Compliance, provided legal advice and counsel regarding European and FAA regulatory harmonization projects and other international legal and policy issues impacting the rulemaking process. Drafted and reviewed rulemaking documents and participated in aviation rulemaking committees (ARCs), other rulemaking committees, and international conferences. Assisted foreign civil aviation authorities in drafting laws, regulations and guidance to satisfy international standards. Drafted and reviewed international agreements. Served as principal legal advisor for emergency operations in potentially hostile situations. Represented the agency's aviation interests before international organizations, foreign governments, and funding organizations.

February 1990 **Office of the Chief Counsel**
to January 2001 **Acquisition and Commercial Law Division**
 Federal Aviation Administration, Washington, D.C.
 Senior Attorney

Served as lead counsel for several multi-million dollar, high visibility acquisition programs for services and equipment. Served as lead counsel in litigation involving bid protests and contract disputes. Served as lead counsel for the development and implementation of the agency's innovative Acquisition Management System (AMS). Reviewed and analyzed legislation and regulations, drafted agency policy and guidance, legal memoranda, and contractual documents. Handled a wide range of other issues related to acquisition, including civil fraud, bankruptcy, antitrust, and mergers and acquisitions in coordination with the Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission. Served as liaison to the inter-agency Suspension and Debarment Committee. Received Vice President Gore's Hammer Award for superior accomplishment in acquisition reform.

April 1986 **District of Columbia Office of Human Rights**
to January 1990 **and Minority Business Development, Washington, D.C.**
 Staff Attorney/Hearing Examiner

Managed the Monitoring and Evaluation Division responsible for oversight of small business utilization in District government contracting. Managed litigation defending the District of Columbia's minority business program. As Hearing Examiner, conducted hearings and rendered

decisions on cases brought under the D.C. Human Rights Act of 1977. Prepared and presented cases alleging violations of the Minority Contracting Act of 1976 to the former Minority Business Opportunity Commission.

September 1981 **Thomas & John, Washington, D.C.**
to March 1986 Partner

Represented individual and corporate clients, and small businesses. Areas of concentration included contracts, civil and criminal litigation, landlord-tenant, real estate, immigration, and family law.

EDUCATION:

Georgetown University Law Center
Washington, D.C.
J.D. 1981, (Member, Criminal Justice Clinic)

Howard University
Washington, D.C.
M.A.T. Education, 1973

University of the West Indies
Jamaica, W.I.
B.A. English Honors, 1970

BAR ADMISSION: District of Columbia, December 1981



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Lorna John



Lorna John, a current member of the Board of Zoning Adjustment, is a retired attorney with experience in government relations, regulatory compliance, procurement, regulations, acquisitions and policy.

Ms. John began her career as a partner in the firm of Thomas and John, with a concentration in contracts, litigation, real estate, Landlord and Tenant law, immigration, criminal law and family law. Ms. John concluded a long career in the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) as a Senior Attorney Office of the Chief Counsel. Additional roles at FAA included serving as a Senior Attorney and lead counsel for several complex multi-million dollar acquisition programs and successfully handling a wide range of acquisition matters. In 1996, she received Vice President Al Gore's Hammer Award for superior accomplishment in acquisition reform, in particular, drafting the agency's innovative acquisition policies and procedures.

As a Senior Attorney in the FAA's International Law, Legislation and Regulations division, Ms. John provided legal and policy advice on a wide range of international and domestic regulatory issues including the regulatory harmonization to North American Free Trade Act (NAFTA) and Pilot Record Improvement Act (PRIA) matters. Ms. John drafted and interpreted regulations pertaining to foreign air carrier operations within the United States and on special Federal Aviation Regulations (SFARs). She has also provided legal technical assistance to many civil aviation authorities around the world.

A Ward 6 resident, Ms. John received a Bachelor of Arts in English from the University of the West Indies, a Master of Education from Howard University, and a Juris Doctor from the Georgetown University Law Center.

