May 20, 2019

Ms. Shana N. Bartley

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Dear Ms. Bartley:

 Congratulations on your nomination to be designated as Vice Chairperson of the Citizen Review Panel (“Panel”). As you know, the nomination is subject to confirmation by the Council. The Committee of the Whole has scheduled a public roundtable on your nomination for **Thursday, May 23, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in Hearing Room 120**. Enclosed is a copy of the roundtable notice. It is standard for the Council to submit questions to nominees. I request your response to the following questions no later than close of business Tuesday, May 21, 2019.

1. Please provide a copy of the Financial Disclosure Statement you filed with the Office of Campaign Finance or the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability. If you have not filed a Financial Disclosure Statement, please provide answers to questions 2-8 in lieu of that statement.

I have not filed a Financial Disclosure Statement. My answers to the remaining questions are below.

1. Please provide the name of each business entity transacting any business with the District Government in which you have a beneficial interest valued in excess of $5,000, including publicly traded stock.

DC Action for Children (legal name: DC Action for Children Today)

1. Please provide the name of each business entity transacting any business (including consulting) with the District Government from which you or your immediate family have received (or are receiving) income for services rendered in excess of $1,000 during the past two years.

DC Action for Children (legal name: DC Action for Children Today)

1. Please provide the name of each business entity transacting business with the District Government in which you or any member of your immediate family serves as an officer, director, partner, or agent. Also list the position(s) held, a brief description of the entity, and any other pertinent details.

DC Action for Children (legal name: DC Action for Children Today)

1. Please provide the name of any lender and the amount of liability for each outstanding liability borrowed by you or any member of your immediate family in excess of $5,000. Do not include loans from a federal or state insured or regulated financial institution, or from any business enterprise regularly engaged in the business of providing revolving credit or installment accounts.

N/A

1. Please list the location of all real property located in the District of Columbia in which you have an interest with a fair market value in excess of $5,000.

N/A

1. Please list all professional and occupational licenses held by you.

N/A

1. Please list any professional organizations of which you are currently a member.

N/A

1. Please list all boards and commissions connected with the District government on which you are or have been a member, and include the term of service for each.

State Early Childhood Development Coordinating Council (3-year term; June 2017- June 2019)

1. Please list any other boards (e.g. Boards of Directors of a non-profit) on which you are a member.

N/A

1. Do you have any outstanding liability for taxes, fees, or other payments to the District, federal, or other state or local governments, either contested or uncontested? If so, please provide documentation of attempts to pay the amount owed or to resolve the disputed claim.

No, I do not.

1. Do you or any member of your immediate family have any interest, financial or otherwise, that may directly or indirectly pose a conflict of interest for you in performance of your duties as a member of the Panel?

No, I do not have any conflicts of interest.

1. Please describe any local political activity (i.e. the District of Columbia local elections or campaigns) that you have engaged in over the past five years, including any campaign contributions to a local candidate or political action committee.

N/A

1. Are you registered with any local, state, or federal government to lobby? If so, list the jurisdiction(s) in which you are registered.

No, I am not registered to lobby.

1. (a) Why have you agreed to serve as Vice Chairperson?

I have agreed to serve as Vice Chairperson, because I believe the Citizen Review Panel serves an important function in our larger child welfare system. The body is tasked with providing citizens’ perspectives CFSA’s efforts to comply with child protection requirements. After serving for one year as a member of the CRP, I have some ideas about how to strengthen our work.

(b) What are your observations about, and current priorities for service, on the Panel?

 The Panel includes individuals who care deeply about the welfare of DC children engaged with CFSA. However, there are number of opportunities for us to deepen our work. First and foremost, it has been a few years since the Panel reviewed and improved its by-laws. Ensuring members understand the expectations of serving on the Panel is key to moving the work forward. Second, members could benefit from building closer relationships with the Mayor’s Advisory Council on Child Abuse and Neglect. While the two bodies have different mandates, there are opportunities to work together to advise and provide feedback on the progress of CFSA and the large child welfare system in the District.

At the April May 23rd roundtable, you will be asked to make an opening statement indicating your interest in serving as Vice Chairperson of the Panel. The testimony of persons interested in supporting your nomination is helpful but not necessary. Interested parties may call the Committee office to register to testify (724-8196) or, alternatively, may submit written comments to the Committee regarding your nomination via letter mail or e-mail (COW@dccouncil.us).

 If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call me or Peter Johnson on my staff at (202) 724-8083.

Sincerely,

 Phil Mendelson

 Chairman

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