

MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

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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 4 of the Commission on the Arts and Humanities Act, effective October 21, 1975 (D.C. Law 1-22; D.C. Official Code § 39-203), I am pleased to nominate the following person for reappointment:

Ms. Rhona Friedman 2441 Tracy Place, N.W. Washington, DC 20008 (Ward 2)

as a member with specific interest, ability, or experience in theatre and performing arts of the Commission on the Arts and Humanities, for a term to end June 30, 2022.

Enclosed you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with 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,

Chairman Phil Mendelson

at the request of the Mayor

upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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. Rhona Friedman as a member of the Commission on the Arts and Humanities.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Commission on the Arts and Humanities Rhona Friedman Confirmation Resolution of 2019".

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

Ms. Rhona Friedman 2441 Tracy Place, N.W. Washington, DC 20008 (Ward 2)

- as a member specific interest, ability, or experience in theatre and performing arts of the
- 32 Commission on the Arts and Humanities, pursuant to section 4 of the Commission on the Arts
- and Humanities Act, effective October 21, 1975 (D.C. Law 1-22; D.C. Official Code § 39-203),

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,

for a term to end June 30, 2022.

RHONA WOLFE FRIEDMAN

REAL ESTATE AND LEGAL EMPLOYMENT

2009-Present COLDWELL BANKER RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE

Georgetown Harbour, Washington, DC

Residential Sales & Investments (DC and Maryland)

2001-2009 TUTT, TAYLOR & RANKIN REAL ESTATE, LLC

Washington, DC

1990-2001 COMMERCIAL LEASING AND MANAGEMENT, INC.

Rockville, Maryland

Legal and business work in commercial real estate

1980-1985 OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

Portland, Oregon

Deputy City Attorney, Lead Attorney for the Tort Litigation Section and Court

Appointed Arbitrator

Civil rights and tort litigation in federal and state trial and appellate courts.

1979-1980 SCHWABE, WILLIAMSON & WYATT

Portland, Oregon Appellate attorney

ADMITTED TO PRACTICE LAW

District of Columbia State of Oregon

United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit

Supreme Court of the United States

OTHER EMPLOYMENT

1987-1989 RODAN, INC.

Portland, Oregon

Founder and President, International Import Company

1973-1974 NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY

CENTER FOR COOPERATIVE EDUCATION

Boston, Massachusetts Director of Training

Planned and directed national consulting service and training programs for college

and university administrators.

1971-1973 MASSACHUSETTS BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD

Boston, Massachusetts

Manager of Office of Equal Employment Opportunity Programs

Developed, implemented and maintained company-wide programs and training

seminars. Organized community health care program.

EDUCATION

1997-2001 PARSONS SCHOOL OF DESIGN.

COOPER-HEWITT, NATIONAL DESIGN MUSEUM, at

THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

Washington, DC

Master of Arts in the History of Decorative Arts

1975-1978 NORTHWESTERN SCHOOL OF LAW OF LEWIS & CLARK COLLEGE

Portland, Oregon

J.D. Law Review; special research project: Health Maintenance Organizations and

Antitrust Regulation

1970-1971 BOSTON UNIVERSITY, GRADUATE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Boston, Massachusetts

M. Ed in counseling and clinical psychology

1964-1968 THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY

Washington, D.C.

B.A. Liberal arts; Dean's List

CIVIC AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

2013-Present DC COMMISSION ON THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Washington, DC

Commissioner (Ward 2); Chair of the Task Force for Arts Education; Chair, Arts

Education Committee; Executive Committee; Former Treasurer

2012-Present THEARC (Town Hall Education Arts Recreation Campus)

Washington, DC Board of Directors

2009-2016 THE UNIVERSITY CLUB OF WASHINGTON, DC

Founder and Chair, The ExecWomen's Forum

2001-2011 THE WASHINGTON BALLET

Washington, DC

Board of Directors; Community Outreach with Ward 8 and THEARC

2009-2012 YOUTH ORCHESTRA OF THE AMERICAS

Washington, DC Board of Directors

2008-2010 DC COMMISSION ON THE ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Washington, DC

Vice-Chair, Chair Arts Education Committee

2006-2007 MAYORAL PRE-TRANSITION AND TRANSITION TEAM VICE-CHAIR,

ARTS COMMITTEE,

For Adrian M. Fenty, Mayor of the District of Columbia

1996-2005 THE LAB SCHOOL OF WASHINGTON

Washington, DC Board of Trustees



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Rhona Friedman



Rhona Friedman is an attorney and a current member of the Commission on Arts and Humanities.

Ms. Friedman's primary focus is arts education as well as the creative economy in the District of Columbia. In 2008, Ms. Friedman participated in the City's Creative Economy Conference and she presented about the creative economy in relation to the arts. Ms. Friedman was also a panelist at the Creative Schools Seminar held by DC's international community at the Embassy of Sweden.

Ms. Friedman started her legal career as a litigator and is currently a realtor at Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage. Ms. Friedman is actively engaged in the arts in Washington, DC. As a member of the board of directors for the Washington Ballet, Friedman focused on outreach programs in public schools and its partnership at THEARC. She also served on the board of directors for the Lab School of Washington, a school that teaches students with learning disabilities with multisensory, experiential, arts-infused curriculum.

A Ward 2 resident, Ms. Friedman received her Masters of Arts in the History of Decorative Arts from the Parsons School of Design at the Smithsonian Institution, a Masters of Arts in Counseling and Clinical Psychology from Boston University and a Juris Doctor Northwestern School of Law at Lewis & Clark College.

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To:

Gianelle Rivera, Steve Walker

From:

Betsy Cavendish

Date:

November 22, 2019

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Subject:

Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions nominating Cora Masters Barry, Natalie

Hopkinson, Cicie Sattarnilasskorn, Mary Ann Miller, Alma Gates, Jose Alberto

Ucles, and Rona Friedman as members to the Commission on the Arts and

Humanities.

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced legislation and found it to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 202-724-7681.

Elizabeth Cavendish