




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Alyson L. Palmer</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Seattle Women's Commission</i>		Position Title: <i>Member</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Appointing Authority: <input type="checkbox"/> Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Specify appointing authority</i>		Term of Office: <i>7/2/15 - 07/01/17</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Greater Duwamish Neighborhood District</i>	Zip Code: <i>98144</i>	Contact Phone No.:
Legislated Authority: <i>SMC 3.14.920, SMC 3.14.921, SMC 3.51.010, Ordinance 118392, Ordinance 120871, Ordinance 120325, Ordinance 123219</i>		
Background: Alyson Palmer is an associate attorney with Stoel Rives, LLP where she manages various phases of employment litigation. Prior to that, Alyson worked at the U.S. Department of Justice Office of Immigrant Litigation, the U.S. General Services Administration, and the White House Office of Management and Administration. Alyson received her Juris Doctor from the University of Washington School of Law and her Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Seattle University.		
Date of Appointment: <i>4/27/16</i>	Authorizing Signature (original signature): 	Appointing Signatory: <i>Edward B. Murray Mayor of Seattle</i>

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Alyson L Palmer

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EDUCATION

University of Washington School of Law | Seattle, WA

June 2013, Juris Doctor

Activities: Pacific Rim Law & Policy Journal, *Associate Editor-In-Chief*; Black Law Students Association

Seattle University | Seattle, WA

August 2006, Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, *cum laude*

BAR ADMISSIONS

Washington

U.S. District Court for the Western District of Washington

EXPERIENCE

Stoel Rives LLP | Seattle, WA

September 2013 – Present

Associate

- Manage various phases of employment litigation including discovery, motions practice, alternative dispute resolution, and trial preparation.
- Served as lead counsel in breach of contract arbitration for multinational e-commerce company.
- Served as lead counsel in two actions before the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission.
- Assisted in successful defeat of an action that sought over \$4 million in damages for age and disability discrimination, and violation of the Family and Medical Leave Act.
- Served as second chair in a pro bono federal jury trial representing former inmate in Section 1983 civil rights claim against county corrections officers.

The U.S. Department of Justice | Washington, DC

September – December 2012

Extern, Office of Immigration Litigation, Appellate Division

- Wrote brief to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit defending Board of Immigration Appeals decision.
- Primary issues included asylum, withholding of removal, and Convention Against Torture protection.

The U.S. General Services Administration | Washington, DC

October 2009 – August 2010

Acting Deputy White House Liaison; Public Affairs Specialist

- Managed the hiring and orientation process for senior political appointees.
- Crafted agency-wide messaging on all projects with White House interest, including talking points and speeches for agency principles.
- Wrote congressional testimony on GSA's record and goals for small and minority owned businesses.

The White House | Washington, DC

February - October 2009

Staff Assistant, Office of Management and Administration

- Managed special projects, including the creation of a departmental speaker series, a senior staff professional development program and the first online internship application process.
- Developed outreach strategy for internship program that partnered with over 300 institutions of higher learning and led to 7000 internship applications for the first intern class.

Obama for America | Indianapolis, IN | Terre Haute, IN | Seattle, WA

March - November 2008

Deputy Regional Field Director

- Managed staff of 35 field organizers, six interns, and three office managers in four regional offices.
- Analyzed daily progress reports to focus organizers and troubleshoot areas for improvement.

Seattle Women's Commission

MAY 2016

21 Commission members: Per SMC. 3.14.920, Confirmed by City Council 2-year terms, all subject to City Council confirmation, 2-years for each term]-year terms:

- 9 City Council-appointed
- 9 Mayor-appointed
- 2 Appointed by Commission, Confirmed by City Council
- 1 Member Get Engaged Program Appointed by the Mayor Confirmed by City Council
1-year term appointed in September

Roster:

*D	**G	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Start Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
2	F	1.	Member	Alyson L. Palmer	7/2/15	07/01/17	1 st	Mayor
2	F	2.	Member	Teresa Springer	12/15/14	07/01/16	1 st	Mayor
6	F	3.	Member	Jaron Reed Goddard	10/12/15	07/01/17	2 nd	Mayor
1	F	4.	Member	Sarah Domondon	12/15/14	07/01/16	1 st	Mayor
2	F	5.	Member	Tracey Whitten	10/12/15	07/01/17	2 nd	Mayor
6	F	6.	Member	Erica J. Soelling	7/2/15	07/01/17	1 st	Mayor
		7.	Member	Vacant		07/01/17		Mayor
6	F	8.	Member	Morgan R. Beach	07/02/2015	07/01/17	2 nd	Mayor
1	F	9.	Member	Lylianna Allala	09/30/14	07/01/15	1 st	Mayor
9	F	10.	Member	Idabelle Fosse	Confirmation	07/01/17	1 st	City Council
6	F	11.	Member	Honey Jo Herman	06/08/15	07/01/15	1 st	City Council
6	F	12.	Member	Alison Mondri	09/08/15	07/01/17	2 nd	City Council
2	F	13.	Member	Phyllis Lewis	09/29/14	07/01/16	2 nd	City Council
2	F	14.	Member	Mergitu Argo	08/04/14	07/01/16	2 nd	City Council
3	F	15.	Member	Elsa Batres-Boni	09/08/15	07/01/17	2 nd	City Council
2	F	16.	Member	Rokea Jones	Confirmation	07/01/17	1 st	City Council
5	F	17.	Member	Ruchika Tulshyan	07/02/16	07/01/18	1 st	City Council
2	F	18.	Member	Lakeisha Jackson	12/15/14	07/01/16	1 st	City Council
6	F	19.	Member	Michele Frix	08/04/14	07/01/16	2 nd	Commission
6	F	20.	Member	Nicki Olivier Hellenkamp	09/08/15	07/01/17	2 nd	Commission
2	F	21.	Get Engaged	Loida C. Erhard	09/08/15	09/30/16	1 term	Mayor

Diversity Chart:

				(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	
	Men	Women	Vacant	Minority	Asian-American	Black/African American	Hispanic/Latino	American Indian/Alaska Native	***Other	Caucasian/Non-Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	0	8	1	5	2	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0
Council	0	9	0	7	0	4	1	0	1	2	0	0	1
Comm	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
GE	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	20	1	13	2	8	1	0	1	7	0	0	0

Key:

***D** List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)

****G** List *gender*, M or F

*****Other** Includes diversity in any of the following: *race, gender and/or ability*