



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: B. Gerald Johnson <i>Gerry Johnson</i>		
Board/Commission Name: Central Waterfront Oversight Committee		Position Title: At Large
<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>Fill in appointing authority</i>	Date Appointed: 11/19/2019	Term of Position: * 12/31/2019 to 12/30/2022 <input type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position
Residential Neighborhood: Queen Anne	Zip Code: 98119	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: <i>Gerry Johnson's law practice focuses on major community building projects, particularly those involving the participation of both the public and private sectors. Gerry has been counsel to projects ranging from initial development and expansion of the Seattle Art Museum; the recovery of the downtown Seattle retail core anchored by the Nordstrom flagship store and Pacific Place; T-Mobile Park and CenturyLink Field; the Museum of Flight; the Pike Place Market, including the recently completed MarketFront addition; and the transfer of the Washington State Convention Center from state control to a county public facilities district and its substantial expansion currently under construction.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): <i>Jenny A. Durkan</i>		Appointing Signatory: Jenny A. Durkan Mayor of Seattle

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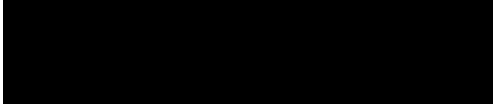
*Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not the appointment date.



Gerry Johnson

Partner

Contact:



Practice Areas: Public-Private, Real Estate, Non-Profit, Municipal

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He counseled the Museum of History & Industry (MOHAI) with respect to all aspects of its move to its highly acclaimed new home in Lake Union Park; Seattle Opera on its new facility at the Seattle Center; and the Seattle Art Museum on the complete renovation of its Seattle Asian Art Museum at Volunteer Park. Gerry also works with many smaller communities throughout Washington including Tacoma (redevelopment of Foss Waterway uplands); and Port Townsend (long-term lease of the historic campus at Fort Worden from State Parks for use as an independent Lifelong Learning Center.) He recently supported the Washington State Major League Baseball Stadium Public Facilities District in its T-Mobile Park lease negotiations with the Seattle Mariners. Gerry also represents a joint venture of the Tacoma Rainiers and the Seattle Sounders pursuing the development of a professional grade soccer stadium in Tacoma.

Gerry is a past board chair of the (Pike Place) Market Foundation and Forterra (fka Cascade Land Conservancy), both of which he helped to form. For years, Gerry has been prominent within regional leadership of numerous initiatives to preserve open space and natural areas and create and support public parks. He also is past chair of the Woodland Park Zoological Society board, and was instrumental in the transition of the management of the Zoo from the Seattle Parks Department to the Society. Gerry served 12 years as a trustee of the Bullitt Foundation, a substantial regional foundation focused on the environment. He currently serves on the boards of the Seattle Parks Foundation, the Downtown Seattle Association and the Friends of

Waterfront Seattle. He was among the leadership of the recently sunsetted Seattle Central Waterfront Steering Committee advising the Mayor and City Council. The proposed central waterfront project, designed by renowned architect James Corner, will transform the relationship of the Seattle CBD with its historic waterfront following demolition of the Alaskan Way Viaduct.

Gerry is Managing Partner of Pacifica Law Group. Only established in 2011, the now 35+ lawyer firm received a Seattle Metropolitan Area, Tier One ranking in the 2017 Edition of *U.S. News – Best Lawyers* “Best Law Firms” in the areas of Appellate Law, Education Law, Municipal Law, Public Finance Law and Real Estate Law, and Tier Two for Construction Law. Pacifica Law Group also received a National Tier 2 ranking for Appellate Law and Public Finance Law.

Gerry completed a five-year term as managing partner of Preston Gates & Ellis, a predecessor firm to K&L Gates, at the end of 2004. He also co-founded and served as board chair of Attenex, a successful Seattle-based legal services software developer, that was acquired by FTI in 2008. Earlier, he was a legislative assistant to the Seattle City Council, and legislative assistant and administrative assistant/chief-of-staff to former U.S. Senator Warren G. Magnuson.

Bar Admissions:

- Washington
- District of Columbia (inactive)

Education:

- Graduate of Seattle’s Roosevelt High School
- A.B., Dartmouth College, (*summa cum laude*; Phi Beta Kappa; Senior Fellow)
- J.D., Georgetown University Law Center (*cum laude*)

Honors:

- Selected for *Washington Super Lawyers*, 2006-2018
- Selected for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2007-2019, in the fields of Municipal Law and Real Estate Law, and as Lawyer of the Year in Municipal Law in Seattle for 2016 (Copyright by Woodward/White, Inc., of Aiken, SC)
- Recipient of Forterra’s 2014 Visionary Game Changer Award
- Recipient of the Municipal League of King County’s James R. Ellis Regional Leadership Award in 2005 and its Doug Mason Memorial Award for Outstanding Contributions to the Community in 1981

Central Waterfront Oversight Committee

19 Members: Pursuant to Ordinance 125761, 14 members subject to City Council confirmation, positions 4 through 10 initial 3-year terms and 2-years for all others; all subsequent positions shall be 2-years except positions 15 through 19 which shall be permanent.

- 7 Mayor- appointed
- 7 City Council- appointed
- 5 Other Appointing Authority: Chief Executive Officer, Executive Director or designee

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
			1.	At-Large (Environmental)	Donny Stevenson	12/31/19	12/30/21	1	Mayor
			2.	At-Large (Labor)	Katie Garrow	12/31/19	12/30/21	1	Council
6	M	7	3.	At-Large	Gerry Johnson	12/31/19	12/30/21	1	Mayor
1, 5	M	3	4.	At-Large	Ashraf Hasham	12/31/19	12/30/22	1	Council
9	F	2	5.	At-Large	Maiko K. Winkler-Chin	12/31/19	12/30/22	1	Mayor
			6.	At-Large	Eric R. Howard	12/31/19	12/30/22	1	Council
3	F	2	7.	LID Residential Tenant	Michelle A. Rusk	12/31/19	12/30/22	1	Mayor
6	M	6	8.	LID Commercial Tenant	Jim Rowe	12/31/19	12/30/22	1	Council
6	M	3	9.	LID Hotel Property Owner	Craig Schafer	12/31/19	12/30/22	1	Mayor
6	F	7	10.	LID Condominium Owner	Emily Hooper George	12/31/19	12/30/22	1	Council
6	M	7	11.	LID Residential Apartment Property Owner	Edward M. Leigh	12/31/19	12/30/21	1	Mayor
6	F	1	12.	LID Office Property Owner	Lindsey Pasternak Wolpa	12/31/19	12/30/21	1	Council
			13.	LID property on or within one block of Pike/Pine St. owner	Shawn Jackson	12/31/19	12/30/21	1	Mayor
6	M	7	14.	LID Commercial/Retail Property Owner	Brett Phillips	12/31/19	12/30/21	1	Council
6	F	3	15.	Pike Place Market PDA	Mary Bacarella	12/31/19			Executive Director (or designee)
6	M	3	16.	Seattle Aquarium Society	Robert W. Davidson	12/31/19			Chief Executive Officer (or designee)
6	M	4	17.	Downtown Seattle Association/MID	Jon Scholes	12/31/19			Chief Executive Officer (or designee)

6	M	NA	18.	Seattle Historic Pier Association	Bob C. Donegan	12/31/19		Executive Director (or designee)
6	F	2	19.	Alliance for Pioneer Square	Lisa Dixon Howard	12/31/19		Executive Director (or designee)

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) (9)

	Male	Female	Transgender	NB/ O/ U	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	3	2					1			3			1
Council	3	2			1				1	4			
Other	3	2								5			
Total	9	8			1		1		1	12			1

Key:

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

****G** List *gender*, M= Male, F= Female, T= Transgender, NB= Non-Binary, O= Other, U= Unknown

RD Residential Council District number 1 through 7 or N/A

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.