


**City of Seattle  
Notice of Appointment**

Name: <b>Robert F. Canamar</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> Executive Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Legislative Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> Agency Appointment <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Council <input type="checkbox"/> PDA Constituency
Residential Neighborhood: Seattle, WA	98119	Contact Phone No.: N/A
Appointed to: Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities		Date of Appointment: 7/8/13
Authority (Ord., Res.): 118392		Term of Office: From: Confirmation To: 4/30/17
<b>Background:</b>  Robert Canamar, a disabled veteran and wheelchair user, has been active for the past twenty-five years advocating for individuals who are homeless and poor. Robert previously served as a member of the Seattle Housing Authority Resident Action Council and President of Ballard House Community Council. Robert has been active with Poverty Action Network, Progressive Majority, League of Conservation Voters, and People for the American Way. Robert was instrumental in the creation of the Commission through his service on the ad hoc Committee to Establish a Seattle Disabilities Commission. Robert has been engaged with the Commission, regularly attends meetings and special events, and has begun serving on the Transportation Subcommittee.		
Authorizing Signature:  		Name and Title of Officer Making Appointment:  Bruce Harrell, Seattle City Council

## RESUME'

### ROBERT F. CANAMAR

Graduated Arcadia High School in 1966

Attended University of N.M,

Graduated from I.T.T. Technical College 1986

U.S.N. 1966-1970 Viet Nam Combat Veteran

Business Experience: First business at age 10 was a landscaping business in Temple City, California. I Worked in the Television, and Legitimate Theater, starting as a stage hand, and worked up to the position of Technical Director until 1976. Owned, and operated Canamar Unlimited, an auto restoration company from California, to Albuquerque, N.M. and a landscaping business until 1984. Moved to Seattle, in 1992, and worked in the nursing, and property management industries till I became physically dis-abled in 1996. Opened Music Man Recording Studio in 2002. Closed Music Man Studio after a series of break-ins, and thefts left me broke. I have also worked as a busker from time to time at the Pike Market, Seattle Center, and in Ballard on Market.

Political: I started at the protest at the Pacific Hotel at 4<sup>th</sup> and Marion In 1992, helped create the homeless shelter at the I.B.E.W. Hall on First Ave. at the same time that I was involved with negotiating with City Hall, the mayor, and helped in getting a housing authority to purchase the property at 4<sup>th</sup> and Marion. In 2003 became Ballard House Community Council President, and started getting into activism on a much larger scale. Today, I am an advocate for Housing, Healthcare, Peace Movements, and the poor thru organizations such as Poverty Action Network, The World Can't Wait, Fuse, Progressive Majority, League of Conservation Voters, and People for the American Way. While we still voted at the polls, I volunteered at the polls, working in Ballard.

**SEATTLE COMMISSION FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES**  
**JUNE 2015**

16 members: Per SMC 3.14.920 Confirmed by City Council, all subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms:

- 7 City Council-appointed
- 7 Mayor-appointed
- 1 Commission- Appointed
- 1 Mayor-appointed

**Roster:**

*D	**G	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Start Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
2	M	1.	Member	Jonathan Porter	May 27, 2015	04/30/17	3rd	Mayor
6	F	2.	Member	Patricia Copeland	May 27, 2015	04/30/17	3rd	Mayor
		3.	Member	<b>Vacant</b>		04/30/15		Mayor
2	F	4.	Member	Hope Drummond	May 27, 2015	04/30/16	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mayor
6	M	5.	Member	Mark Adreon	May 27, 2015	04/30/16	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mayor
6	M	6.	Member	Steve Lewis	May 27, 2015	04/30/16	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mayor
2	F	7.	Member	Christiana Obey	May 27, 2015	04/30/17	1 <sup>st</sup>	Mayor
1	F	8.	Member	Vicki Foster	12/11/14	04/30/16	3 <sup>rd</sup>	City Council
6	M	9.	Member	Ryan Troyer	12/11/14	04/30/16	2 <sup>nd</sup>	City Council
6	M	10.	Member	Mike Barta	7/8/13	04/30/15	3 <sup>rd</sup>	City Council
6		11.	Member	<b>Vacant</b>		04/30/15		City Council
6	F	12.	Member	Deborah Witmer	12/11/14	04/30/16	3 <sup>rd</sup>	City Council
6	M	13.	Member	Robert Canamar	7/8/13	04/30/15	2 <sup>nd</sup>	City Council
6	M	14.	Member	Ivan Molton	12/11/14	04/30/16	1 <sup>st</sup>	City Council
6	F	15.	Member	Diane Laurine	Council Confirmation	04/30/16	1 <sup>st</sup>	Commission
1	F	16.	Member	Yan Jun (Angela) Liu		09/30/15	1 term	Mayor

**Diversity Chart:**

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

**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*