




# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>Jennifer Butte-Dahl</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> <i>Seattle International Affairs Advisory Board</i>		<b>Position Title:</b> <i>Member</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>Appointment</b> OR <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Reappointment</b>		<b>Council Confirmation required?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<b>Appointing Authority:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Council <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>	<b>Date Appointed:</b> 5/1/2017	<b>Term of Position: *</b> 6/1/2017 to 11/30/2018
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Council District: 4</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> 98195	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> (206)
<b>Background:</b> <p>Jennifer Butte-Dahl is the <b>Director of the MA in Applied International Studies program at the University of Washington</b>. Early in her career, Jen set up a nonprofit focused on entrepreneurship in post-apartheid South Africa and later opened a sales support office for a large multinational in the U.A.E. During her career with the U.S. Government, she worked in the U.S. Department of State, on Capitol Hill, and across the Interagency as a senior advisor to U.S government officials and high-level presidential envoys. After leaving DC, she built public-private alliances for a social enterprise committed to providing renewable energy to communities across the globe that lacked electricity. She went on to design and launch an accelerated graduate program in international studies at the UW. Jen is the founder and director of the MA in Applied International Studies at the UW, and an affiliate faculty member at the Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies. She serves on the boards of the J. Christopher Stevens Fund and AIESEC Seattle. Jen was previously a Term Member on the Council on Foreign Relations, and a Presidential Management Fellow. She holds an M.S. in Foreign Service from Georgetown University and a B.S. in Management from Purdue University.</p>		
<b>Authorizing Signature (original signature):</b> 		<b>Appointing Signatory:</b> <i>Edward B. Murray</i> <i>Mayor of Seattle</i>

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\*Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not appointment date or appointee.  
August 30, 2016

# Jennifer Butte-Dahl

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Accomplished senior professional with global expertise and experience in government, business, social enterprise, academia, philanthropy, and non-profit organizations. Proven success in launching organizations and initiatives, and accelerating organizational profitability and effectiveness. Skilled in strategy, operations, complex problem solving, risk mitigation, crisis management, policy development, fundraising, communications, partnerships, and advocacy.

## **Experience**

### **M.A. PROGRAM DIRECTOR, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON [Sep 2013 – PRESENT]**

Designed, launched, and now direct an accelerated master's program at the UW's Henry M. Jackson School of International Studies. The Master of Arts in Applied International Studies (MAAIS) is a 10-month degree designed for professionals. It combines the renowned area studies expertise of Jackson School faculty with the strategic location and pioneering leadership of the city of Seattle. The result is a unique graduate experience, which provides students with a deep understanding of today's world and a multidisciplinary perspective that facilitates their ability to work effectively with diverse stakeholders on today's global challenges.

### **AFFILIATE FACULTY, UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON [JAN 2013 - PRESENT]**

Teach "Crafting and Influencing U.S. Foreign Policy" at the Jackson School of International Studies, which explores the inner-workings of the U.S. national security architecture and the complexity inherent in foreign policy decision-making.

### **INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, THE STEVENS INITIATIVE [APR 2013 – MAY 2015]**

Worked with an amazing team to launch a multi-million dollar multilateral public-private initiative that harnesses global connectivity to build meaningful relationships between young people in the U.S., Middle East and North Africa, and equips them with the skills they need to succeed in the 21st century.

### **HEAD OF ALLIANCES, NOKERO INTERNATIONAL [2011 – 2012]**

*Built strategic partnerships for a renewable energy start-up that brought solar energy to over one million people.*

- Launched major partnerships with international relief & development organizations, including ChildFund International and ShelterBox, which built solar technology into global relief, health, and education programs.
- Led management team to define company mission, and raised the profile of Nokero as a leader in renewable energy solutions, writing and speaking on energy access and the role of social enterprise in global development.

### **SENIOR ADVISOR, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE [2004 – 2010]**

*Managed key diplomatic and development challenges facing the U.S. during the Bush and Obama Administrations.*

#### **Senior Advisor to Deputy Secretary of State and Chief Operating Officer**

- Managed and responded to emerging diplomatic and development issues and crises, and provided strategic advice to the Deputy Secretary on issues ranging from U.S.-Pakistan relations to Climate and Energy policy.
- Drove progress on issues of importance to the U.S. Secretary of State by convening stakeholders, facilitating policy dialogue, and providing guidance and direction to State Department and other U.S. Government officials.
- Aligned U.S. Government resources (staff & funds) behind key U.S. diplomatic and foreign aid priorities from inside the office overseeing the \$48 billion operations/foreign assistance budget for State and USAID.

#### **Senior Advisor to President Obama's Special Envoy for Middle East Peace**

- Contributed to planning and implementation of strategic diplomatic initiatives in support of Middle East peace.
- Designed outreach activities to build support for U.S. efforts to negotiate a peace agreement; shaped messaging to public, media and legislative audiences; and managed engagement with the U.S. Congress.

#### **Special Assistant to Under Secretary for Political Affairs & Head of the 2008 Transition**

- Analyzed existing Department structures and policy goals and wrote transition strategies for foreign assistance

reform, climate change negotiations, and international energy policy for the 2008 Presidential Transition.

- Implemented a comprehensive communications strategy across U.S. Government agencies for countering Somali piracy and led effort to harmonize U.S. Interagency and International Community communications activities.

#### **Senior Congressional Relations Advisor on the Middle East**

- Designed and implemented advocacy strategies to secure congressional funding and support for critical U.S. policy objectives, and maintained bipartisan relationships with House/Senate offices engaged in global affairs.
- Managed congressional strategy on negotiating team responsible for the 2008 restoration of U.S.-Libya relations. Built alliances with Congress to orchestrate bipartisan passage of the Libyan Claims Resolution Act, which resulted in \$1.5 billion in compensation for U.S. victims of Libyan support for acts of terrorism.

#### **Political Advisor to the U.S. Security Coordinator (USSC) for Israel and the Palestinian Authority [Jerusalem]**

- Provided policy advice to the U.S. Security Coordinator, a U.S. Army General charged with reforming the Palestinian security forces, and managed U.S. Government policy coordination in support of USSC objectives.
- Designed and implemented a mechanism for coordination and collaboration between international donors on security sector reform activities in the West Bank and Gaza.

#### **Gaza Disengagement and Palestinian Legislative Elections Task Force (USAID) [Jerusalem]**

- Monitored and evaluated political and socio-economic developments in Palestine and contributed to U.S. and international strategic planning activities around Gaza's economic viability after Israeli withdrawal.
- Liaised between Palestinian, Israeli, and international officials and NGOs to design and implement a communications campaign promoting non-violence in the West Bank/Gaza prior to the 2006 Legislative Elections.

#### **SENIOR PROPOSAL MANAGER, MOTOROLA [United Arab Emirates, 1999 – 2002]**

*Opened Motorola's Dubai sales support office and managed proposals for the Middle East/Africa cellular infrastructure team; business valued at over \$3 billion.*

- Moved the Cellular Infrastructure Proposal & Pricing operation from Chicago to Dubai to support Middle East/Africa sales. Hired and trained new staff, designed departmental procedures, and managed operations.
- Managed virtual, multi-disciplinary, international teams to craft bids for Middle Eastern and African governments and cellular network operators seeking second and third generation cellular infrastructure technology.

#### **DIRECTOR, THUSO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT [South Africa, 1997 – 1998]**

*Built a non-profit supporting entrepreneurship in post-Apartheid rural South Africa in concert with local leaders.*

- Established organization providing concrete entrepreneurial support and small business management training to struggling individuals and cooperative projects in 12 villages in South Africa's Northern Province.
- Designed and implemented a two-day career fair for 450+ disadvantaged students. Built alliances with local partners, raised over \$20,000 from local and multinational corporations, and hired and trained the project team.

### **Education**

#### **M.S. in Foreign Service, Georgetown University**

Focus on Foreign Policy & International Security, with a Certificate in Arab Studies (including Arabic proficiency)

#### **B.S. in Management, Purdue University**

Major in Management, Double Minor in International Business & Economics and Spanish  
Graduated Magna Cum Laude, with Phi Beta Kappa and Beta Gamma Sigma honors

### **Community Engagement**

Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) member, King County, WA; ShelterBox International Disaster Response Team member; Certified Yoga Instructor; Actively engaged with the Council on Foreign Relations, Seattle World Affairs Council, and CityClub; Advisory Board Member of the J. Christopher Stevens Fund and the UW Chapter of AIESEC.

# Seattle International Affairs Advisory Board

30 Members: Pursuant to *Ord. 125113*, all *Mayoral-appointed* members subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms:

- 1 City Council-appointed
- 19 Mayor-appointed
- 6 Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify):

## Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	M	N/A	1.	Seattle-Be'er Sheva	Robert Wilkes	10/1/15	9/30/17	1	SMC
6	F	2	2.	Seattle-Bergen	Lori Ann Reinhall	10/1/15	9/30/17	1	SMC
6	M	3	3.	Seattle-Christchurch	Richard Conlin	10/1/15	9/30/17	1	SMC
6	M	3	4.	Seattle-Gdynia	Sebastian Niziol	10/1/15	9/30/17	1	SMC
1	M	N/A	5.	Seattle-Kaohsiung	Sean Huang	10/1/15	9/30/17	1	SMC
6	F	4	6.	OIR, City of Seattle	Stacey Jehlik	11/1/16	n/a	1	SMC Council President
1	F		7.	City Council	Lorena Gonzalez Neepaporn	10/1/15	n/a	1	
1	F	4	8.	Trade Development Alliance	Boungjaktha	6/1/17	n/a	1	TDA
6	F	1	9.	Seattle Center Foundation	Alma Plancich	6/1/17	n/a	4	Mayor
6	M	7	10.	Boeing	Gary Konop	6/1/17	11/30/18	4	Mayor
6	F	4	11.	Seattle Public Schools	Michele Anclaux Aoki	6/1/17	11/30/18	1	Mayor
6	M	3	12.	UW, Jackson School	Daniel Bessner	6/1/17	11/30/18	1	Mayor
6	M	7	13.	Visit Seattle	John Boesche	6/1/17	11/30/18	1	Mayor
6	F	N/A	14.	Starbucks	Shannon Boldizar	6/1/17	11/30/18	1	Mayor
6	F	4	15.	UW, Jackson School	Jennifer Butte-Dahl	6/1/17	11/30/18	1	Mayor
	F	7	16.	Expedia/Hotwire	Katherine Cheng	6/1/17	11/30/18	1	Mayor
6	M	6	17.	Consular Association of Washington	Pedro Costa	6/1/17	11/30/18	1	Mayor
1	F	N/A	18.	Ethnic Heritage Council	JoAnne Lee	6/1/17	5/31/19	1	Mayor
6	F	6	19.	Amazon	Monique Meche	6/1/17	5/31/19	1	Mayor
6	F	N/A	20.	World Affairs Council	Jacqueline Miller	6/1/17	5/31/19	1	Mayor
6	M	3	21.	PATH	Brian Neville	6/1/17	5/31/19	1	Mayor
6	F	3	22.	Seattle Globalist Washington Global Health	Sarah Stuteville	6/1/17	5/31/19	1	Mayor
6	F	1	23.	Alliance	Tina Vlasaty	6/1/17	5/31/19	1	Mayor
6	M	6	24.	Rotary International	David Woodward	6/1/17	5/31/19	1	Mayor

**SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART**

	SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART				(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
	Men	Women	Transgender	Unknown	Asian	Black/ African American	Hispanic/ Latino	American Indian/ Alaska Native	Other	Caucasian/ Non- Hispanic	Pacific Islander	Middle Eastern	Multiracial
Mayor	6	13			2					16			
Council		1					1			5			
Other	4	2			1								
Total	10	16			3					21			

**Key:**

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

**\*\*G** List *gender*, **M** = Male, **F**= Female, **T**= Transgender, **U**= Unknown

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

*Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.*