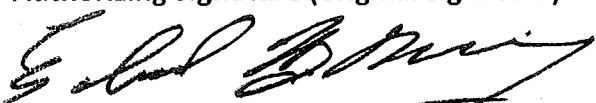




# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

<b>Appointee Name:</b> <i>ChrisTiana ObeySumner</i>		
<b>Board/Commission Name:</b> <i>Seattle Renters' Commission</i>		<b>Position Title:</b> <i>Member</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		<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> <i>7/20/2017</i>	<b>Term of Position: *</b> <i>3/1/2017</i> to <i>2/28/2019</i>
<b>Residential Neighborhood:</b> <i>Haller Lake</i>	<b>Zip Code:</b> <i>98133</i>	<b>Contact Phone No.:</b> <i>N/A</i>
<b>Background:</b> <p><i>ChrisTiana ObeySumner is an Alaskan-Born, Philly-Raised, East-Coast transplant who moved to the area in 2010 to attend Seattle University as a Transfer Scholar. They have their B. Sc in Psychology, a Masters of Nonprofit Leadership, and is currently pursuing their M. Ed in Clinical Mental Health &amp; Addictions Counseling. Their area of expertise and research is the relationship between marginalized and oppressed intersectionalities and access to basic human needs and rights in American society.</i></p> <p><i>ChrisTiana has worked in housing and homelessness services for nearly five years, and personally experienced chronic homelessness from age 9-25. This passion extends to being chair of the Housing Committee within the Seattle Commission of People with disAbilities, and supported a recent win as Mrs. American Beauties National 2017 on the platform of "Ending Homelessness with Equity and Inclusion." They are also the founding Executive Director of the Eleanor Elizabeth Institute for Black Empowerment.</i></p> <p><i>ChrisTiana is a nerd who loves reading nonfiction and academic texts, WWE and Ghost Adventures, and vacillates musical obsessions between WWII-era Jazz and swing, and late 90's/early 2000's modern rock.</i></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.

# **CHRISTIANA OBEYSUMNER**

## **WORK EXPERIENCES**

**Executive Director/Founder**, Eleanor Elizabeth Institute for Black Empowerment, 2017-Present

- Currently developing Ethnic Hair Care Bank for homeless Black women, and planning an Intersectional Provider Database

**Housing Navigator**, Harborview Medical Center, 2016-Present

- Established stable housing for 41 low income, high barrier, chronically ill individuals experiencing homelessness within an 11 month period.

**Clinical Support Specialist**, Downtown Emergency Services Center: Canaday House 2014-2016

- Led two successful employee/community in-kind donation drives culminating as number one team in the organization. Championed Ethnic Hair Care Salon for Permanent Supportive Housing Residents.

**Resident Counselor**, Compass Housing Alliance: Nyer Urness House 2013-2015

- Assisted inaugural program manager with establishment and beginning operations of the property.

**Community Health Coordinator**, Full Life Care: Solstice Behavioral Health—WSC Americorps, 2013-2014

- Established nearly a dozen community partnerships providing primary funding to cooking class for low-income, disabled adults.

## **EDUCATION**

**M. Ed., Clinical Mental Health Counselling** (*In process*), Seattle University

**Master of Non-Profit Leadership**, Seattle University

**B. Sc., Psychology**, Dept. Honors. Magna Cum Laude, Seattle University

**A.A., Journalism**, Jefferson County Community and Technical College

## **PUBLIC OFFICE**

**City Commissioner**, 2<sup>nd</sup> term, Seattle Commission for People with disAbilities

**Housing Committee Chair**, 1<sup>st</sup> term, Seattle Commission for People with disAbilities

# Seattle Renters' Commission

15 Members: Pursuant to *Ordinance 125280*, all members subject to City Council confirmation, one-and-two year terms for initial round of appointments, two-year terms thereafter:

- 6 City Council-appointed
- 7 Mayor-appointed (one Get-Engaged Member)
- 2 Commission-appointed

**Roster:**

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
6	NB	1	1.	Member	Jessie Jacobs	3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Council
3	M	6	2.	Member	Michael Padilla Ocampo	3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Council
6	F	4	3.	Member	Jessica Westgren	3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Council
2	M	2	4.	Member	Clifford C. Cawthon	3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Council
1	NB	3	5.	Member	Laurie Rocello Torres	3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Council
9	M	7	6.	Member	L. Curtis Blankinship	3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Council
2	F	2	7.	Member	Beverly Aarons	3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Mayor
6	T	7	8.	Member	S.H "Jack" Barker	3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Mayor
2	F	4	9.	Member	Sherry Collier	3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Mayor
3	F	6	10.	Member	Daniela Lopez	3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Mayor
2	M	3	11.	Member	David W. Mooney	3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Mayor
9	NB	3	12.	Member	ChrisTiana ObeySumner	3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Mayor
			13.	Member		3/1/17	2/28/18	1	Commission
			14.	Member		3/1/17	2/28/19	1	Commission
			15.	Get Engaged Member		9/1/17	8/31/18	1	Mayor

**SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART**

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

**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.*