




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Conrad A. Reynoldson</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Seattle Commission for People with Disabilities</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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <i>Specify appointing authority</i>		Term of Office: <i>05/01/16 - 04/30/18</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Northeast Neighborhood District</i>	Zip Code: <i>98105</i>	Contact Phone No.:
Legislated Authority: <i>SMC 3.14.920, SMC 3.14.921, SMC 3.51.010, Ordinance 118392, , Ordinance 120325, Ordinance 123219, Ordinance 123734</i>		
Background: <p>Conrad has Muscular Dystrophy and requires the use of a power wheelchair to get around. He has been disabled since birth but has never let that hold him back from addressing his concerns and being part of his community. He practices law as a disability rights attorney. As an individual with a lifetime of living with a disability and who practices disability law, he is confident in his ability and relevant experience with people with disabilities to continue to advocate for their rights along with his understanding of disability pride and culture and is ideal for this role. He is excited to help shape policy and change around the stigma of people with disabilities.</p>		
Date of Appointment: <i>Confirmation</i>	Authorizing Signature (original signature): 	Appointing Signatory: <i>Councilmember Lisa Herbold Seattle City Council</i>

CONRAD A. REYNOLDSON

EDUCATION

University of Washington, School of Law, Seattle, WA 2014

Washington State Bar, September 2014

Western District of Washington Bar, November 2014

Eastern District of Washington Bar, March 2016

Honors: Blackstone Legal Fellow
Member, Governor's Committee on Disability Issues and Employment
Finalist, William H. Gates Public Service Law Program

Activities: Chair, Governor's Employer Awards
President, Disability Law Alliance University of Washington Chapter
President, Christian Legal Society University of Washington Chapter
Director of Programs, Federalist Society University of Washington Chapter
Associate Member, The William L. Dwyer American Inn of Court

Seattle Pacific University, Seattle, WA 2009

B.A., History and Political Science: International Affairs Emphasis, *summa cum laude*

Honors: President's Scholar Award
SPU Young Alumni Council Scholarship

Activities: President, Hindsight, Seattle Pacific University's History Club
National Mortar Board Society

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Notable Cases

- ***Leal v. Everett Public Schools***
 - A suit filed in United States District Court in the Western District of Washington that successfully challenged the Constitutionality of an Everett Public School System policy barring the distribution of materials not originally authored by students.
- ***Reynoldson v. Chateau Ste. Michelle***
 - A suit filed in United States District Court in the Western District of Washington alleging numerous violations under the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Washington Law Against Discrimination at the Chateau Ste. Michelle Winery and Amphitheater. The allegations of this suit range from discriminatory ticketing practices to its seating arrangements to accessible parking, and accessible route access. A settlement was reached.
- ***Reynoldson v. University of Washington (Pending)***
 - A suit filed in United States District Court in the Western District of Washington alleging numerous violations under the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Washington Law Against Discrimination at Alaska Airlines Arena at Hec Edmundson Pavilion on the University of Washington campus. The allegations of this suit range from discriminatory ticketing practices to its seating arrangements to accessible parking, signage, and ramp access.

Washington Civil & Disability Advocate, Sole Proprietor, Seattle, WA *January – Present*

Founded a sole proprietorship dedicated to providing low or no cost legal services to individuals in need of protection of their civil and disability rights. Filed multiple cases in the Western District of Washington covering issues ranging from free speech to physical and programmatic access for individuals with

mobility impairments at places of public accommodation. Numerous other accessibility cases are in active settlement negotiations in lieu of filing litigation.

Washington Access Fund, Financial Stability Coordinator, Seattle, WA January – September 2015
Responsible for coordinating the implementation of a large-scale grant with a national disability rights organization and several local community service providers. Conducting extensive outreach to numerous service providers in order to meet the requirements of the grant to conduct financial health assessments of people with disabilities and to serve the organization's broader mission. Completing a diverse range of additional assignments including rewriting employment policies, creating educational materials on legal services, and conducting disability awareness trainings to local service providers.

Institute for Justice Washington Chapter, Spring Clerk, Bellevue, WA March - May 2014
Researched and wrote on a diverse range of constitutional law related issues within numerous jurisdictions from spot research to more formal legal memos. Provided editing comments and checked bluebook citations, made records requests to multiple agencies, and created a statewide survey of municipal ordinances related to a potential constitutional violation.

Alliance Defending Freedom, Blackstone Legal Intern, Washington, D.C. June - August 2013
Completed research and memos on constitutional law issues within several jurisdictions, projects ranged from writing formal legal memos to brief research tasks. Researched legal issues for a potential law review article, drafted model legislation, prepared materials for a CLE and a radio interview, and conducted a national survey and summary of emergency guardianship issues.

Disability Rights Washington, Resource Advocacy Intern, Seattle, WA June 2012 - September 2012
Wrote legal memos on Americans with Disabilities Act issues and performed extensive legislative research. Assisted with disability rights and discrimination issues, resource referrals, problem solving strategies, and technical assistance for accessing appropriate disability support services.

Discovery Institute, Intern, Seattle, WA September 2010 - May 2011
Completed legal and policy related research and writing assignments. Edited numerous articles and books prior to publication.

Heritage Foundation, Young Leaders Intern, Washington D.C. September - December 2009
Interacted with new and high level donors, updated website, assisted with writing the monthly newsletters, and donor letters for the Development, Community Committees office. Researched and wrote memos for the Center for Foreign Policy Studies.

Office of US Congressman Reichert (R-WA), Intern, Mercer Island, WA June - August 2008

Office of US Senator Brownback (R-KS), Intern, Washington D.C. May - July 2007

SEATTLE COMMISSION FOR PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES
JULY 2016

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	05/01/15	04/30/17	3rd	Mayor
6	F	2.	Member	Patricia Copeland	05/01/15	04/30/17	3rd	Mayor
		3.	Member	Vacant	05/01/15	04/30/17		Mayor
		4.	Member	Vacant	05/01/16	04/30/18		Mayor
		5.	Member	Vacant	05/01/16	04/30/18		Mayor
6	M	6.	Member	Steve Lewis	05/01/14	04/30/16	1 st	Mayor
2	F	7.	Member	Christiana Obey	05/01/15	04/30/17	1 st	Mayor
		8.	Member	Aaron Bunnell	05/01/16	04/30/18	1 st	City Council
		9.	Member	Jessica Williams-Hall	05/01/16	04/30/18	1 st	City Council
6	M	10.	Member	Michael L. Barta	05/01/15	04/30/17	3 rd	City Council
		11.	Member	Vacant	05/01/15	04/30/17		City Council
		12.	Member	Kevin C. Eggers	05/01/16	04/30/18	1 st	City Council
6	M	13.	Member	Robert F. Canamar	05/01/15	04/30/17	2 nd	City Council
		14.	Member	Conrad A. Reynoldson	05/01/16	04/30/18	1 st	City Council
6	F	15.	Member	Diane Laurine	05/01/15	04/30/17	1 st	Commission
1	F	16.	Member	Shandra Benito	09/08/15	09/31/16	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	2	2	3	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
Council	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	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	1	0	0	0
GE	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	4	4	4	3	1	2	0	0	0	5	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*



City of Seattle

Edward B. Murray, Mayor

Seattle Office for Civil Rights

Patricia Lally, Director

Recommendation for Commission Appointment

Date: July 12, 2016

Board/Commission: Seattle Commission for People with disAbilities.

Candidate: Conrad A. Reynoldson

Position: City Council Appointment, Position 14 ending on 4/30/18.

Vetting: The Seattle Commission for People with disAbilities. conducted interviews to fill existing vacancies.

Recommendation: The Seattle Office for Civil Rights recommends that Conrad Reynoldson be appointed to the Seattle Commission for People with disAbilities.

Conrad Reynoldson is an attorney in Seattle and would like to serve on the Commission to ensure that the rights of people with disabilities is protected and is committed to the work of what the Commission stands for. He is interested in protecting the rights of vulnerable people in Seattle.

For questions regarding this recommendation please contact SOCR Commission Administrator, Marta Idowu at 206-684-4540 or at Marta.Idowu@seattle.gov.

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