




City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: Waylon Robert		
Board/Commission Name: Seattle Freight Advisory Board		Position Title: Member
<input type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Reappointment		City Council Confirmation required? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Appointing Authority: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> City Council <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Other: Fill in appointing authority		Term of Position: * 6/1/2025 to 5/31/2027 <input type="checkbox"/> Serving remaining term of a vacant position
Residential Neighborhood: Ballard	Zip Code: 98107	Contact Phone No.: [REDACTED]
Background: Zachary Waylon Robert has experience in the maritime industry and on freight policy issues on state and regional levels.		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): 9/8/2025		Appointing Signatory: Rob Saka Councilmember

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

Experience

Member | Sailors Union of the Pacific

- Advocates on and analyzes relevant policy
- Interviews and completes due diligence on candidates for elected office
- Works on the unlicensed deck crew of US Flag Ships

Political Candidate | 36th LD P1

- Raised \$117,000 in political contributions
- Secured key elected and interest group endorsements (most sitting legislators and electeds, 12 trade unions, corporations and trade groups namely T-Mobile, Washington Dairy Farmers, Cattle Pac,Pacific Fishermen Shipyard, Ballard Oil and Salmon Bay Marine Center
- Hit 20,000 doors with campaign team

Project Manager | Forterra NW | 2020-2022

- Undertook key due diligence for acquisition of 12,000 acres of timberland and other projects
- Led workforce recruitment strategy and log and chip truck logistics plan for start up of a wood products facility

Washington State Legislature Experience

- **Board Member- HistoryLink (2022)** Secured \$100k- Seattle Waterfront History Project
- **Citizen Lobbyist (2019)**- Established \$50m Washington Library Capital Grant Program and secured \$12.8m to start program
- **Lobbyist- Columbia Street Partners (2019)**- Lobbied for Fortune 500 companies in heavy industry, forest products,securities and maritime transportation; garnered understanding of process and produced daily briefing material for clients and made policy recommendations.
- **Citizen Lobbyist (2018)**- Secured \$80k for statewide library capital assessment in operating budget
- **Lobbyist-City of Hoquiam (2017)**- Secured \$250k Capital Budget request and 45k in grants/private contributions

- **Apprentice- former State Representative Brian Blake (D- Aberdeen) (2018-2019)** - Shadowed Rep. Brian Blake at key meetings, strategized on legislation and stakeholdering

Campaign Experience

- **Campaign Chair- Re-elect Brian Blake D 19th LD (2020)** Recruited and directed campaign manager, outperformed all other Democrats by 8 points districtwide, Re-elect Brian Blake D 19th LD (2020)
- **Board Member- Elect Erin Frasier 19th LD (2018)**
- **Intern- Newman Partners (2016)** - Garnered understanding of donor networks and political fundraising process
- **Campaign Staffer- Elect Hilary Franz (2016)** - Garnered understanding of environmental community and authored regional issue reports

Elected Official Office Experience

- **Consultant and Intern King County Councilmember Larry Gossett (2013-2019)**- Garnered understanding of King County Government and elected political maneuvering
- **Intern- Washington State Supreme Court Justice Gonzalez (2018)**- Garnered understanding of history, interworking and legislative relationship
- **Intern- Congressman Derek Kilmer (2016)**- Garnered understanding of local industrial businesses, interworking of a congressional office and federal impact on Washington State
- **Intern- New Orleans City Councilmember Susan Guidry (2015)**- Garnered understanding of New Orleans city government and local issues

Other Experience

- Laborer Hoquiam Plywood
- Busser Broadmoor Golf Club

Public Service

- History Link, Board Member
- Tokeland Hotel Historical Foundation, Board Member
- Grays Harbor College Foundation, Board Member (former)
- Slade Gorton Center Global Leaders Program, Fellow, August 2018 to August 2019
- Historic preservation advocacy via Washington State Most Endangered Buildings List Nomination

- **Education**

- Bachelor of Arts Degree with a concentration in political science Evergreen State College, graduation June of 2019
- Five Day MBA, Goal Makers
- Bishop Blanchet High School
- Pathway to Power, Washington State Labor Council
- Ordinary Seaman, US Coast Guard Certified

Seattle Freight Advisory Board

12 Members: Pursuant to Resolution 31243, 11 members subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms:

- 6 Mayor- appointed
- 5 City Council- appointed
- 1 Other Appointing Authority: Port of Seattle

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
		-	1.	Member	Marc Hoecker	6/1/2024	5/31/2026	1	City Council
		1	2.	Member	Dan McKisson	6/1/2024	5/31/2026	2	City Council
6	M	7	3.	Member	Tyler Blackwell	6/1/2025	5/31/2027	1	Mayor
6	M	7	4.	Member	Dan Gatchet	6/1/2024	5/31/2026	2	Mayor
6	F	3	5.	Member	Nicole Callais	6/1/2024	5/31/2026	1	Mayor
6	M	2	6.	Member	Nigel Barron	6/1/2024	5/31/2026	2	Mayor
6	M	1	7.	Member	Stuart G. Thompson	6/1/2025	5/31/2027	1	City Council
6	M	4	8.	Member	Herb Krohn	6/1/2025	5/31/2027	2	City Council
6	M	7	9.	Member	Giovanni Mottolese	6/1/2025	5/31/2027	1	Mayor
6	M	6	10.	Member	Zachary Robert	6/1/2025	5/31/2027	2	City Council
6	M	6	11.	Member	Stanley Ryter	6/1/2024	5/31/2026	2	Mayor
6	F		12.	Member	Geri Poor	N/A	N/A	N/A	Port of Seattle

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	5	1								6			
Council	2									2			
Other		1								1			
Total	7	2								9			

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.