



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Hardeep Singh Rekhi</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission</i>		Position Title: <i>Member</i>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Appointment OR <input 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: <i>Fill in appointing authority</i>		Term of Position: * 1/1/2020 to 12/31/2022 <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Serving remaining term of a vacant position</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>Lower Queen Anne</i>	Zip Code: <i>98109</i>	Contact Phone No.: 
Background: <i>Hardeep Singh Rekhi was admitted to the Washington State Bar in 2003. He is an owner in Rekhi & Walk, P.S., and sits on the board of the Washington Employment Lawyers Association. He is a former board member of OneAmerica, the Washington State Association for Justice, and the South Asian Bar Association.</i>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature):  Date Signed (appointed): <i>7/24/20</i>		Appointing Signatory: <i>Lorena González</i> <i>City Council President</i>

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

Hardeep Singh Rekhi

Recent Work Experience

Rekhi & Wolk, P.S. January 2012 to Present Seattle, WA
(formerly Rekhi Law Firm, PLLC)

Owner

• Focus on employment and civil rights matters • Class action and complex litigation • Represents individuals and businesses Responsible for all aspects of operations • Responsible for all aspects client representation

Bar Admissions & Awards

• Admitted to the Washington State Bar December 2003 No. 34579 • Admitted to Eastern District of Washington
• Admitted to Western District of Washington • Admitted to Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals
• Super Lawyer 2012-2020 • Recipient of Washington State Association of Justice Carl Maxey Award-2012

Board and Committee Activities

Board Member of Washington Employment Lawyers Association (2011 to Present) Current Board member for Washington Employment Lawyer Association (“WELA”). WELA is a lawyers association providing services for lawyers who represent employees.

Board Member of Washington State Association for Justice (2016 to Present) Current Board member for Washington State Association for Justice. In 2017-2019 I served on the executive committee. I have served as the chair of the Diversity Committee, the Judicial Relations Committee, and the Civil Rights Committee. I have also served on Nominations Committee and the Civil Rules Committee. I have authored chapters in both the Employment Law Deskbook as well as served as the editor of the first edition of the Civil Rights Deskbook.

Former Board Member of the South Asian Bar Association (2014-2016) As a Board Member, my primary achievement was to begin a free legal clinic in the Renton/Kent Area serving the local population.

Former Oneamerica Board Member (2006 to 2014) Secretary of the Board for Oneamerica, a non-profit organization. Oneamerica advances the fundamental principles of democracy and justice at the local, state and national levels by building power within immigrant communities. Duties have included presenting and participating in multiple local and national panels regarding various issues affecting immigrant communities.

Former Chair of The Joint Asian Judicial Evaluation Committee (2013) Currently serve as committee member. This committee provides judicial evaluations for current judges as well as candidates for judicial positions.

Presenter at multiple CLEs on various topics, including Washington Civil Procedure and Employment Law issues. In addition to presenting at CLEs I have written a number of articles related to discrimination and hate crimes.

Author of Race Chapter for WSAJ Employment Law Deskbook. I have authored or co-authored the chapter on race Discrimination in the WSAJ Employment Law Deskbook.

Hearing Officer (2014 to 2016) Serve as a hearing officer for the WSBA disciplinary Committee. I adjudicate lawyer ethics complaints brought by the WSBA.

Founding Board Member Khasla Gurmat Center (2014). The Khalsa Gurmat Center is non-profit center that focuses on providing resources to Sikhs and the community at large. Currently the center offers Punjabi language classes, Sikh history classes, a free legal clinic, a free health fair, Gatka classes, math classes, computer programming classes, music classes, English as a second language classes.

Other Accolades:

- Chair of the Diversity Section for WSAJ
- WSAJ BOG 2016-2018
- WSAJ Executive Committee 2016-2018
- Chaired Diversity and Ethics portion of the 2017 WSAJ Convention
- Commissioner for the Seattle Ethics and Elections Committee
- Board member for WELA
- SABAW Board Member
- Began Legal Clinic at the SABAW
- Board Of Governors, KHALSA GURMAT SCHOOL
- WSBA CLEs
- Seattle Human Rights Commission Hate Crimes/Bias Forum (2012)

Seattle Ethics and Elections Commission

7 Members: Pursuant to Seattle Municipal Code 3.70.020, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms:

- 3 Mayor- appointed
- 3 City Council- appointed
- 1 Other Appointing Authority: Commission

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
2	M	1	1.	Member	Nicholas Brown	1/1/18	12/31/20	1	Mayor
6	M	6	2.	Member	Richard Shordt	1/1/19	12/31/21	1	City Council
6	F	3	3.	Member	Judith Tobin	1/1/19	12/31/21		Mayor
6	F	3	4.	Member	Susan Taylor	1/1/19	12/31/21	1	Commission
5	M	6	5.	Member	Hardeep Singh Rekhi	1/1/20	12/31/22	2	City Council
6	M	7	6.	Member	Brendan Donckers	1/1/17	12/31/19	2	Mayor
6	M	7	7.	Member	Bruce Carter	1/1/18	12/31/20	3	City Council

SELF-IDENTIFIED DIVERSITY CHART

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	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	2	1				1				2			
Council	3								1	2			
Other		1								1			
Total	5	2				1			1	5			

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.