



City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name: <i>Deepa Sivarajan</i>		
Board/Commission Name: <i>Seattle LGBTQ Commission</i>		Position Title: <i>Commission 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>Fill in appointing authority</i>	Date Appointed: <i>12/12/2017</i>	Term of Position: * <i>11/1/2017</i> to <i>10/31/2019</i>
Residential Neighborhood: <i>West Seattle Neighborhood (District 1)</i>	Zip Code: <i>98146</i>	Contact Phone No.: 
Background: <p>Deepa is queer South Asian-American woman, born and raised in West Seattle. She currently works for EnviroIssues, specializing in public outreach and communications consulting for local governments. Deepa has a Master's in climate change studies, and she has previously worked as an organizer for electoral and environmental campaigns in the Puget Sound region. She is passionate about environmental justice, which aims to address the disproportionate effect of environmental degradation on communities of color and low-income communities. Deepa envisions a bigger role for environmental justice advocacy in queer and trans activist spaces, centering the voices and needs of QTPOC. She hopes that her work with the commission will further her interest in integrating EJ perspectives into policy, particularly in making recommendations on homelessness, displacement, and LGBTQ community spaces.</p>		
Authorizing Signature (original signature): 		Appointing Signatory: <i>Councilmember Lisa Herbold</i> <i>Seattle City Council</i>

Deepa Sivarajan

EDUCATION

Columbia University

New York, NY

- M.A. in Climate & Society (graduation October 19, 2016) - *GPA: 3.710*

Georgetown University

Washington D.C.

- B.A. with double major in Government and Women's & Gender Studies (graduation May 19, 2012)
- Studied abroad at the University of Buenos Aires (Argentina) and University College London (U.K.)
- *Overall GPA: 3.733 / Major 1 GPA: 3.750 / Major 2 GPA: 3.910 / Magna Cum Laude*

WORK EXPERIENCE

EnviroIssues

Seattle, WA

Project Coordinator

February 2017 to present

- Support public outreach operations for 6 projects with city, county, and state transportation agencies
- Develop strategic communications plans; create content for public-facing materials, including websites, press releases, meeting summaries, flyers, e-newsletters, social media
- Facilitate and organize open houses and workshops; represent clients at outreach events and festivals

The Sierra Club

Seattle, WA

Associate Organizing Representative

July 2013 to August 2014

- Served as field organizer for the Wild Olympics Campaign; gathered 400 petition signatures
- Secured endorsements from 14 new local businesses, organizations, and community leaders
- Organized and held 12 large outreach events to gather support; tabled at 23 festivals and fairs

Organizing for America Washington

King County, WA

Campaign Staffer/Field Organizer

May to November 2012

- Led all get out the vote efforts for President Obama in Washington's 30th Legislative District
- Recruited, trained, and managed over 40 regular volunteers; coordinated with community leaders
- Planned and held 7 volunteer trainings, 11 rallies, and over 100 phone banks and canvasses

The National Women's Law Center

Washington D.C.

Communications and Research Intern

January to May 2012

- Assisted Media Director with administrative, clerical, and research work; did daily media round-ups
- Researched and interviewed 6 women in STEM fields for project on Title IX's 40th anniversary

Office of U.S. Senator Patty Murray (D-WA)

Seattle, WA and Washington D.C.

Outreach Intern and Legislative Intern

June to December 2011

- Assisted Outreach Director with administrative work, attended meetings with 13 community leaders
- Answered constituent phone calls, did database entry, led 14 tours of U.S. Capitol, sorted mail

Washington Conservation Voters

Seattle, WA

Communications Intern

June to August 2009

- Organized and filmed 7 interviews with political candidates, edited and posted videos to website

TECHNICAL AND LANGUAGE SKILLS

- Basic skills in video editing, HTML and website creation/management, and social media use
- Working proficiency in Spanish (speaking, reading, writing, comprehension)

Seattle Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Commission November 2017

16 Members: Pursuant to *SMC 3.14.920*, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 2-year terms:

- 7 City Council-appointed
- 8 Mayor-appointed
- 1 Other Appointing Authority-appointed: Commission-appointed

Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
			1.	Member	Julia Ikaura Ricciardi	5/1/17	4/30/19	2	City Council
			2.	Member	Katrina Sanford	5/1/17	4/30/19	1	Mayor
			3.	Member	Ann Luetzow	5/1/17	4/30/19	1	City Council
			4.	Member	Latosha Correll	5/1/17	4/30/19	1	Mayor
			5.	Member	Vacant	5/1/17	4/30/19		Mayor
			6.	Member	Manuel Venegas	11/1/17	10/31/19	3	Mayor
			7.	Member	Kari Lerum	11/1/17	10/31/19	1	Commission
			8.	Member	Vacant	11/1/17	10/31/19		Mayor
			9.	Member	Nikki Hurley	5/1/16	4/30/18	1	City Council
			10.	Member	Mitchell Chen	5/1/16	4/30/18	1	Mayor
			11.	Member	Joseph Suttner	5/1/16	4/30/18	1	City Council
			12.	Member	Ray Corona	5/1/16	4/30/18	1	Mayor
			13.	Member	Taylor Wisor	11/1/16	10/31/18	1	City Council
			14.	Member	Ian Irving Bradshaw	11/1/16	10/31/18	1	Mayor
			15.	Member	Deepa Sivarajan	11/1/17	10/31/19	1	City Council
			16.	Get Engaged	Jessi Murphy	09/01/17	8/31/18	1	Mayor

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	2	3				1	2						1
Council		1			1								1
Comm		1								1			
Total	2	5				1	2			2			2

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.*