

# City of Seattle Boards & Commissions Notice of Appointment

Appointee Name:									
Kianoush Naficy Curran									
Board/Commission Name:		Position Title:							
Pioneer Square Preservation Board		Property Owner							
	City Council Conf	City Council Confirmation required?							
Appointment <i>OR</i> Reappointment	Yes     No     No								
Appointing Authority:	Term of Position	*							
City Council	3/2/2020								
Mayor	to								
Other: Fill in appointing authority	3/1/2023								
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	☐ Serving remaini	☐ Serving remaining term of a vacant position							
Residential Neighborhood:	Zip Code: C	ontact Phone No.:							
District 2	98144								
<b>Background:</b> Kianoush Curran is recommended to be re-appointed to a second term on the Pioneer Square Preservation Board in the Property owner position.									
Ms. Curran is currently the Vice Chair of the Pioneer Square Preservation Board. Ms. Curran manages the Lucknow residential building in Pioneer Square for her family's ownership.									
Authorizing Signature (original signature):	Appointing Signatory:								
$\mathcal{L}$	Jenny A. Durka	Jenny A. Durkan							
Jenny A. Durken	Mayor, City of Seattle								
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Date Signed (appointed):									
July 8, 2021									

<sup>\*</sup>Term begin and end date is fixed and tied to the position and not the appointment date.

### KIANOUSH NAFICY CURRAN

#### **EXPERIENCE**

#### **NW LOFT APARTMENTS** | March 2016 – Present | Seattle, WA

Owner/Property Manager: Manage, maintain, and oversee all apsects of a 24-unit residential building.

#### LAW OFFICES OF MARIE HIGUERA | May 2013 – March 2016 | Seattle, WA

Attorney: Represented clients in a variety of immigration law matters. Completed family-based applications, defended those in removal proceedings, assisted refugees in gaining asylum, and helped victims of violence and other crimes navigate the complex immigration system to win relief.

#### **DuBois Cary Law Group, PLLC** | May 2012 – November 2012 | Seattle, WA

Attorney: Assisted supervising attorneys in divorce cases involving child custody, visitation, property division, and maintenance issues.

#### REGAN ZAMBRI & LONG, PLLC | January 2011 – March 2012 | Washington, DC

Attorney: Researched and wrote legal memoranda on a range of topics, including product liability, personal injury, and medical malpractice. Drafted original complaints, discovery, briefs, opposition motions, motions in limine, and motions for summary judgment. Assisted in depositions, settlement mediations, and all aspects of litigation.

#### APPLESEED FOUNDATION | January 2011 – June 2011 | Washington, DC

Legal Fellow: Served on the foundation's Immigrant Rights Project. Researched legal, policy, regulatory, and governmental practice barriers to naturalization, drafted summary reports, and met with local leaders to discuss immigration reform.

#### **ONEAMERICA** | June 2009 – September 2009 | Seattle, WA

Policy & Research Extern: Conducted research and writing for publications and website content to support the organization's policy platforms on immigrant integration and comprehensive immigration reform. Served as community outreach liaison to forward legislative advocacy efforts. Facilitated public hearings around Washington State on challenges of immigrant integration before members of the Governor's New Americans Policy Council.

#### NLSCA | June 2008 – September 2008 | San Francisco, CA

Legal Clerk: Provided legal services for employment discrimination and asylum cases, organized community outreach events, and assisted director in designing a CLE for Pro Bono advocacy. NLSCA is a non-profit human rights organization that serves Middle Eastern, Muslim, and South Asian Americans facing post 9/11 discrimination.

#### **EDUCATION**

#### UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON SCHOOL OF LAW | Seattle, WA | Juris Doctor, June 2010

Selected Honors and Activities: Founding Member of the Middle Eastern Law Students Association | Student Liaison to the Middle Eastern Legal Association of Washington, 2008 – 2010 | Professional Mediation Skills Training, Winter 2010 | Immigration Law Clinical Program, Winter 2009 – Spring 2009 | Student Bar Association Executive Board Member and Class Representative, Fall 2007 – Spring 2009 | Immigrant Family Advocacy Program, Fall 2007

#### WHITMAN COLLEGE | Walla Walla, WA

Bachelor of Arts, Sociology, Cum Laude, May 2004

Selected Honors and Activities: Academic Distinction, 2001 – 2004 | Authored Honors Thesis titled, "Negotiated Boundaries: An Exploration of Second Generation American Identity Construction," published in the Penrose Library, Whitman College, 2004 | Whitman Scholar Athlete, Varsity Swimming, 2004

#### MEMBERSHIPS AND LANGUAGE SKILLS

Licensed Attorney and Active Member of the Washington State Bar Association | Member of the Seattle Immigrant & Refugee Commission | Member of the UW Persian Advisory Board | Fluent in Farsi & Spanish

## **Pioneer Square Preservation Board**

Ten Members: Pursuant to 110058, all members subject to City Council confirmation, 3-year terms:

- # City Council-appointed
- 10 Mayor-appointed
- # Other Appointing Authority-appointed (specify):

#### Roster:

*D	**G	RD	Position No.	Position Title	Name	Term Begin Date	Term End Date	Term #	Appointed By
8	F	2	1.	Property Owner	Kianoush Naficy Curran	3/2/20	3/1/23	2	Mayor
6	F	7	2.	Historian	Maureen R. Elenga	3/2/19	3/1/22	1	Mayor
6	F	2	3.	Property Owner	Lynda Collie	3/2/19	3/1/22	2	Mayor
6	М	3	4.	Get Engaged	Sam Dawson	9/1/20	8/31/21	1	Mayor
5	NB		5.	At Large	Lauren Kush	3/2/19	3/1/22	1	Mayor
3	М		6.	Architect	Jose Lorenzo-Tores	3/2/21	3/1/24	1	Mayor
3	F	7	7.	Human Services	Felicia M. Salcedo	3/2/19	3/1/22	2	Mayor
6	F	2	8.	Attorney	Lindsey M. Pflugrath	3/2/20	3/1/23	1	Mayor
6	F	1	9.	Retail	Audrey Hoyt	3/2/19	3/1/22	1	Mayor
1	М	N/A	10.	Architect	Alex Rolluda	3/2/19	3/1/22	1	Mayor

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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	3	6		1	1		2		1	5		1	
Council													
Other													
Total	3	6		1	1		2		1	5		1	

#### Key:

Diversity information is self-identified and is voluntary.

<sup>\*</sup>D List the corresponding *Diversity Chart* number (1 through 9)

<sup>\*\*</sup>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