



2020 Citizens Redistricting Commission | APPLICATION

Application for Derric Henry Taylor

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Initial Application

Below is the initial application for the Citizens Redistricting Commission. In this section of the application you will be asked to provide personal information that will assist the Applicant Review Panel in processing your application.

You do not have to complete the entire application at one time. At any point, you can save your application using the "Save Application" button. After the application has been saved, you can return to this site to complete the application using your email and password if you choose to set one. Be sure to submit your initial application on or before August 19, 2019.

All fields with * are required to submit the application.

Identification Information

First Name*:

Derric

Middle name:

Henry

Last Name*:

Taylor

Suffix (Sr., II, Esq., etc.):

Physical Address

City*:

Los Angeles

State (if temporarily residing outside of California):

Zip/Postal Code*:

90008

County:

Los Angeles

Country (if temporarily residing outside of the United States):

Mailing Address (If different than Physical Address)

City:

State (if temporarily residing outside of California):

Zip/Postal Code:

Country (if temporarily residing outside of the United States):

Gender

Gender*:

- Female Male Nonbinary

Racial or Ethnic Background

Select the circle that best describes your race/ethnicity*

Latino Group

- Cuban
 Mexican/Mexican American
 Puerto Rican
 Other Hispanic/Latino Groups

Pacific Islander Group

- Guamanian or Chamorro
 Hawaiian
 Samoan
 Other Pacific Islander Group

Asian Group

- Asian Indian
 Cambodian
 Chinese
 Filipino
 Japanese
 Korean
 Laotian
 Vietnamese
 Other Asian Group

Other Groups

- Aleut
 American Indian/Native American
 Black/African American
 Eskimo
 White
 Other Racial Group

If other please specify:

The Voters FIRST Act is designed to produce a Citizens Redistricting Commission that is reasonably representative of the state's diversity. This information is required to help the Applicant Review Panel identify a diverse pool of the most qualified applicants. Although your specific date of birth will remain confidential, your age may be calculated from your date of birth and made public.

Economic Status

What was your total household income during the past 12 months?*

- Under \$35,000
 \$35,000 - \$74,999
 \$75,000 - \$124,999
 \$125,000 - \$250,000
 Over \$250,000

Eligibility Information

If you are uncertain about your prior voting registration, voting record, or party affiliation, we suggest that you contact the county clerk or voter registrar in the county in which you resided during the period of time in question. The contact information and address for California's county elections offices can be found at <https://voterstatus.sos.ca.gov/>.

1. Have you been continuously registered to vote in the State of California since July 1, 2015?*

- Yes No

2. With what party are you registered?*

- No Party Preference (Formerly known as Decline to State)
- American Independent Party
- Democratic Party
- Green Party
- Libertarian Party
- Peace and Freedom Party
- Republican Party
- Other

If other, please specify:

3. Has your political party affiliation remained the same since July 1, 2015?

- Yes No

4. Indicate in which of the last three statewide general elections you voted, (check all that apply)*:

- November 2014 (Gubernatorial)
- November 2016 (Presidential)
- November 2018 (Gubernatorial)

Conflicts of Interest

The Voters FIRST Act (Act) is designed to produce a Citizens Redistricting Commission that is independent from legislative influence and, therefore, disqualifies from service any person having a *conflict of interest* as defined by the Act. The information below is required to help the State Auditor and the Applicant Review Panel identify any conflicts of interest you may have.

5. Have you done any of the following **within 10 years of the date you submit this application**:

5a. Have you within 10 years of the date you submit this application been [appointed to](#), elected to, or a [candidate](#) for a California congressional or [state office](#) (*Appointed* means appointed by the Governor, a member of the Legislature, or a member of the State Board of Equalization; or served at the pleasure of the Governor, a member of the Legislature, or a member of the State Board of Equalization)?*

- Yes No

5b. Have you within 10 years of the date you submit this application served as an officer, employee, or [paid consultant](#) of a California [political party](#), or of the [campaign committee](#) of a [candidate](#) for a California congressional or elective [state office](#)?*

- Yes No

5c. Have you within 10 years of the date you submit this application served as an elected or appointed member of a [political party central committee](#) in California?*

- Yes No

5d. Have you within 10 years of the date you submit this application [been a lobbyist registered with the State of California or a California local government](#)?*

Yes No

5e. Have you within 10 years of the date you submit this application [been a registered federal lobbyist](#)?*

Yes No

5f. Have you within 10 years of the date you submit this application [served as a paid California congressional, legislative, or State Board of Equalization staff](#)?*

Yes No

5g. Have you within 10 years of the date you submit this application [contributed \\$2,500 or more to any California congressional, state, or local candidate for elective public office within any single calendar year](#)?(This amount has been adjusted using the [California Consumer Price Index](#).)*

Yes No

6. Are you currently serving as [staff](#), or as a [consultant](#) to the Governor of California, a member of the California Legislature, a California member of Congress, or a member of the State Board of Equalization?*

Yes No

7. Are you currently under contract with the Governor of California, a member of the California Legislature, a California member of Congress, or a member of the State Board of Equalization?*

Yes No

When answering questions 8 and 9, *immediate family* means your parents, step-parents, spouse, registered domestic partner, children, step-children, siblings, step-siblings, parents-in-law, siblings-in-law, and sons- and daughters-in-law with whom you have done the following:

- [Cohabitated with for a period or periods totaling 30 days or more during the past 12 months](#) or
- [Shared ownership of any real or personal property having a total value of \\$1,000 or more during the past 12 months](#) or
- [Provided or received a financial benefit totaling \\$1,000 or more during the past 12 months](#)

8. Do you have an immediate family relationship with the Governor of California, a member of the California Legislature, a California member of Congress, or a member of the State Board of Equalization?*

Yes No

9. Has a member of your immediate family done any of the following **within 10 years of the date you submit this application**:

9a. Has a member of your immediate family within 10 years of the date you submit this application been [appointed to](#), elected to, or a [candidate](#) for a California congressional or [state office](#)? (*Appointed* means appointed by the Governor, a member of the Legislature, or a member of the State Board of Equalization, or served at the pleasure of the Governor, a member of the Legislature, or a member of the State Board of Equalization)?*

Yes No

9b. Has a member of your immediate family within 10 years of the date you submit this application served as an officer, employee, or [paid consultant](#) of a California [political party](#) or of the [campaign committee](#) of a [candidate](#) for a California congressional or elective [state office](#)?*

Yes No

9c. Has a member of your immediate family within 10 years of the date you submit this application served as an elected or appointed member of a [political party central committee](#) in California?*

Yes No

9d. Has a member of your immediate family within 10 years of the date you submit this application [been a lobbyist registered with the State of California or a California local government](#)?*

Yes No

9e. Has a member of your immediate family within 10 years of the date you submit this application [been a registered federal lobbyist](#)?*

Yes No

9f. Has a member of your immediate family within 10 years of the date you submit this application [served as a paid California congressional, legislative, or State Board of Equalization staff?](#)*

Yes No

9g. Has a member of your immediate family within 10 years of the date you submit this application [contributed \\$2,500 or more to any California congressional, state, or local candidate for elective public office within any single calendar year?](#)([This amount has been adjusted using the California Consumer Price Index.](#))*

Yes No

PRIVACY NOTIFICATION AND WAIVER

LEGAL AUTHORITY AND REASON FOR COLLECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

The Voters FIRST Act (Act) and the regulations implementing the Act require that the selection of commissioners for the Citizens Redistricting Commission (Commission) be open to public scrutiny and the press (California Constitution, Article XXI, section 2, subdivision (c); Government Code sections 8252, 11120, 11121, and 11125.1; California Code of Regulations, title 2, sections 60835, 60836, 60842, and 60846). The Act also requires the California State Auditor's Office (State Auditor's Office) to select 60 of the most qualified applicants based upon their voter affiliation; eligibility to serve pursuant to Article XXI of the California Constitution; the absence of any conflicts of interest; relevant analytical skills; ability to be impartial; appreciation for California's diverse demographics and geography; and racial, ethnic, geographic, gender, and economic diversity. To determine each applicant's identity and qualifications to serve on the Commission and to track the demographic information of the applicant pool, this application seeks personal information about applicants that will be provided to the Applicant Review Panel, State Auditor's Office staff, and the public, including members of the press, the Legislature, and the Commission.

CONSEQUENCE OF NOT PROVIDING ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION

Failure to provide all of the requested information will result in your disqualification and the removal of your name from the applicant pool. Thus, if you wish to serve on the Commission, it is mandatory that you submit a response for each item of information requested.

PERMISSION TO USE AND RELEASE PERSONAL INFORMATION

By submitting this application, you acknowledge that the application, all documents submitted in support of your application, including a Statement of Economic Interests (FPPC Form 700) if you are asked to submit one, letters of recommendation, materials generated as a result of any State Auditor's Office or Applicant Review Panel investigation of you, and all public comments and responses to public comments about your application are public records. You agree that the State Auditor's Office shall provide copies of these materials to members of the public and the press, members and staff of the Applicant Review Panel, State Auditor's Office staff, the Legislature, the Commission, and as otherwise compelled by law. You understand that members of the Applicant Review Panel and the public may make public statements about you. You authorize the State Auditor's Office to use the information submitted by and about you as the State Auditor's Office deems necessary to select commissioners, replacement commissioners, or otherwise comply with its legal duties. You also authorize the State Auditor's Office to post all materials related to your application to serve on the Commission on its website and any website authorized by the State Auditor's Office.

VOLUNTARY WAIVER OF PRIVACY RIGHTS AND STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE LIABILITY

By applying to be a commissioner, you are waiving your privacy and other rights under various state and federal laws including, but not limited to, the Information Practices Act (Cal. Civil Code section 1798 et seq.), and any defamation, invasion of privacy, and negligence claim you may have against the State Auditor's Office and those acting on its behalf. Accordingly, by waiving your privacy rights, you are agreeing to permit the State Auditor's Office to release any and all information submitted by or about you, EXCEPT that the State Auditor's Office will not post on the Internet your date of birth; physical, mailing, and email addresses (excluding the city and county); telephone numbers; the addresses and telephone numbers of your immediate family members; or any materials that the State Auditor's Office deems offensive. At this point in the process, the State Auditor's Office will not collect, and you should not voluntarily submit to the State Auditor's Office, your social security number, driver's license number, financial account numbers, or health information. By submitting your application, you acknowledge and consent to the release of the information you and others are providing related to you and, except as specifically provided above, you are waiving your right to privacy regarding all information relating to you and your application to serve as a commissioner. This waiver authorizes the State Auditor's Office to make public information submitted by or about you for a period of 12 years from the date of your application, even if you are not selected as a commissioner. You are providing this waiver voluntarily, understanding that the State Auditor's Office shall not be legally liable as a result of the release of information submitted by or about you or as the result of comments made about you by others, and that the State Auditor's Office will post on its website or otherwise release publicly. This includes claims of defamation, invasion of privacy, negligence, and any other statutory or common law claims.

WHOM TO CONTACT

You have a right to review personal information the State Auditor's Office maintains about you and to verify its accuracy. Please contact the State Auditor's Office's Information Privacy Officer at (916) 445-0255; 621 Capitol Mall, Suite 1200, Sacramento, California, 95814; if you would like to view or obtain information about the location of your records and the categories of persons who use the information in your records.

Affirmation

I affirm, by entering my initials in the box, that the statements contained in this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that I have read and understand the Privacy Notification and Waiver.

Initials*: DHT

Submitted At: 08/08/2019 6:53:34AM

Supplemental Application

Congratulations on moving forward to the supplemental application for the Citizens Redistricting Commission (Commission). You must provide an answer to all questions that apply to you. If you miss a question, you will be prompted to answer missing responses before you can submit the application.

You do not have to complete the entire application at one time. At any point, you can save your application using the "Save Application" button. After the application has been saved, you can use your email address and password to return to this site to complete the application. Be sure to submit your supplemental application on or before October 20, 2019.

All fields with * are required to submit the application.

Part 1: Essay Questions:

The response to each of the following essay questions is limited to no more than 3200 characters including spaces (approximately 500 words). The response fields below will allow you to cut and paste text from any word processing program such as Microsoft Word.

1. Please describe why you wish to serve on the Commission and why you think it's important*:

"Shape California's Future" is the theme used by the California State Auditor as a vehicle of communication between the office and those individuals applying to be on the Citizen's Redistricting Commission. The California State Auditor wisely selected this theme as it appropriately can serve as a mission statement or a clarion call to service. Further, the theme can also be construed as both a challenge and a duty as the very phrase "Shape California's Future" alludes to that call to service, and asks whether or not its constituents can fulfill that need. To "Shape California's Future" is a challenge bell that I choose to heed and answer.

Service to society is both an honor and a privilege. Specifically, having been born and raised in Southern California and choosing to reside in this state as well as raise a family, being of service to California constituents would fulfill a myriad of purposes as well as satisfy my concept of duty. My sense of duty speaks to accepting responsibility when an opportunity presents itself and constitutes being an active participant in both my local and larger communities. Opportunity and duty, in this connotation, would be encompassed in the role of Commissioner. In assuming a role on the Citizen's Redistricting Commission, the opportunity exists to be an active participant in the democratic process that bolsters this nation. The results of fulfilling that duty on the Citizen's Redistricting Commission has both a micro and macro effect. The more localized effect of the Commission lends credibility to the political process firsthand. A Commissioner can validate democracy at work. A Commissioner can be representative of and witness to the interest of the people being brought forward. The larger effect, or the macro, is that effective service or the work product of the commission stands for equality in our democracy. These effects are tantamount in supporting the ideals of this nation.

Current times have brought us to new ground in American political spaces. In the review of recent political news cycles, the argument can be forwarded that politics has become increasingly more polarized and the results of this shift are found in partisan politics. Some of the more evident displays of partisan politics are in instances of gerrymandering. While the Equal Protection Clause, along with Section 2 and Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act, prohibit jurisdictions from gerrymandering electoral districts to dilute votes California has gone one step further and created the Citizen's Redistricting Commission and empowered its people.

Maria Blanco, a member of the 2010 Citizen's Redistricting Commission, very succinctly stated, "Politicians were choosing their districts, rather than districts choosing their politicians." This statement is about past behavior and the idealistic values of our democracy. The political process is meant to be representative of the values of the constituents. It would be my intention, to continue and follow suit with the ideals expressed by Maria Blanco ensuring that the purpose of our democracy and espoused by our constitution are upheld.

2. Please explain what it means to be *impartial* and describe your ability to exercise impartiality as set forth in [2CCR §60800](#). Provide examples of times when you had to set aside your personal views in order to achieve a common goal. How will your ability to be impartial assist you if you are selected to be a commissioner? You may include with this description any occupational, academic, volunteer, or other life experiences you have had that demonstrate this ability*:

Similar to many working individuals, my job performance falls under an annual review. Recently, during my review period, I was pleasantly surprised to have discovered that I had received a commendation from an outside party related to a particularly challenging case that I had worked and subsequently concluded. The case involved numerous parties who all had a vested interest in the outcome of my work product. These parties, during my investigation, often provided information that was solely in their interest as opposed to information that would provide clarification to the issue at large. Based on the information I received at a given time, it would have been easy to form an opinion against one of the other involved parties and have that perception cloud the investigation. The accusations from the involved parties were often inflammatory and damaging and would involve subject matter that could be considered wrong or contrary to most people's constitutions. However, I was able to avoid that prejudicial pitfall during this investigation. The commendation I received was from one of the involved parties of this incident and it noted how fair and impartial my investigation was of this matter. It was further interesting to note that during the investigation the person that provided the commendation was one of the more vocal individuals accusing me of not taking into account their perspective of events. As I think over this case, I can empathize with the individual as it appeared circumstances were not in their favor and I was biased against them during the investigation, but in hindsight, it appears that have come to an understanding that the totality of the circumstances was duly considered. The realization that someone whom I investigated believes I went about my duties fairly and impartially gave me a sense of pride in my work product. Fairness and being impartial are qualities I believe should be present in my work product. Perceptions, that lead to action and hinge on prejudice and bias should be consistently addressed in our behaviors to serve society appropriately as mandated by our institutions.

Impartiality and fairness are at the heart of law enforcement and the criminal justice system, it is the purpose of those public trusts. Further, impartiality should have a place in most institutions and is an aspirational goal we should all seek to attain. Impartiality is a tenant that has been built into the fabric of our society and the majority of our institutions. Being impartial would greatly benefit an individual sitting on the Citizen's Redistricting Commission. A Commissioner will receive information from varied resources and interested parties and by a variety of methods. However, regardless of how a Commissioner personally feels about a given subject matter or affected parties, a Commissioner must remain impartial so that the Citizen's Redistricting Commission can serve its intended purpose.

3. All commissioners must demonstrate an appreciation for California's diverse demographics and geography as set forth in [2 CCR §60805](#). Please describe your appreciation for California's diversity and provide any occupational, academic, volunteer, or other life experiences you have had that demonstrate this appreciation*:

Through form and function, I am the product of California's rich diversity. I was born in Los Angeles and raised in the San Gabriel Valley, living for a large portion of my life in Altadena. I attended elementary school and junior high in Alhambra, Ontario, and Pasadena. I attended high school in Pasadena. While I was in high school, I was fortunate to attend during a time when the student body was especially diverse. During high school, in particular, I traveled throughout Southern California on various baseball teams and have met and both played for and against individuals from various backgrounds. I have family members and friends that reside in parts of California from Santa Clarita to Compton to Berkley (as well as other parts of the country). The various hues in the complexions of my family members and friends whom I care for deeply suggest the diversity in our ethnic backgrounds. Homogeny rarely benefits those in a group dynamic and can be a hindrance to progression and equality.

Because of my job as a law enforcement officer, I have also come into contact with individuals of varied backgrounds. I have had the duty to assist these individuals in times of need or at law enforcement functions, however, I have had the privilege to listen to their stories about their life experiences and have interacted with their family members. I have been able to see the need firsthand of various family units or communities. The diversity found in all of my experiences has also help me to see the commonality of people and communities. By vocation, I am sworn to uphold the lofty ideal of justice which welcomes diversity, but I have personally chosen the mission as a lifelong endeavor.

To employ a euphemism, the diversity of California can be understood through its food. I could not imagine life without Mexican food or Italian cuisine. I appreciate when my friends or coworkers bring lumpia as well as egg rolls and share their family traditions. I enjoy experiencing Ethiopian food in Los Angeles, the historic delicatessens of the Fairfax district and the Spanish food of San Diego. I attended college in Georgia in the early '90s and at the time the state had a burgeoning Latino community but not to the extent of California. While I was at college, I missed the diversity that was common in my home state. I missed the sounds, the smells, and the culture. Exposure was a key that was lacking. I was, and we all are, better individuals because of the diversity in our lives. That diversity is to be appreciated and respected.

4. Please describe the relevant analytical skills (as described in [2 CCR §60827](#)) you possess that you believe make you a strong candidate for the Commission. You may include, but are not limited to, with this description any occupational, academic, volunteer, or other life experiences you have had that demonstrate those skills*:

An effective Commissioner seated on the Citizen's Redistricting Commission should be able to use the culmination of their experiences, ranging from the skills obtained through life and work along with their education, to the benefit of the committee and the task at hand. These relevant experiences add to the necessary analytical skills needed for the position of Commissioner.

Throughout my life, I have similarly been able to employ the skills I have obtained to date to facilitate accomplishing a given task at hand. The skills I have acquired would greatly benefit me in my role as a Commissioner on the Citizen's Redistricting Commission.

Education can provide a strong background of relevant analytical skills necessary to be an effective commissioner. I have been fortunate enough to have matriculated through college and have earned both a Bachelor's degree from Morehouse College in Accounting and a Master's Degree in Advanced Studies in Crime, Law, and Society from the University of California, Irvine. Both of these prestigious institutions provided a framework of critical thinking and analysis of various subject matter. In Accounting it is necessary to manipulate numbers, figures, and data, and to be able to calculate information from a variety of forms. In Crime, Law, and Society it was required that I be able to interpret data, text, and theory and further be able to apply those interpretations and analyses to a real-world environment. Often that analysis occurred within the framework of current legislation and public policy.

Work experience can add to an individual's relevant analytical skills necessary to be an effective commissioner. I have worked in law enforcement for nearly twenty-five years and have held the position of an investigator as my longest tenured job assignment. The nature of the investigator position lends itself to becoming an effective commissioner. My experience as an investigator began with a framework of training which includes how to conduct investigations, analytic interviewing, and procedures. Specific training as an investigator combined with the practical experience of a law enforcement officer has left me in a better position to interact with individuals and to obtain, ascertain and analyze information.

Personal experience can also add to the relevant analytical skills necessary to be an effective Commissioner. In my personal life, I have had the privilege to work on several committees and with groups whose aims it was to have a positive effect on a given issue or project. We have had to define problems and implement the best method to accomplish a goal. In doing so, we have had to delegate responsibilities and manage duties. I have played an active role in the management of a non-profit organization to the benefit of that group.

I am the accumulation of my experiences. Those experiences through education, work, and personal interactions have left me in a better position to be of service to society in general, and as a Commissioner on the Citizen's Redistricting Commission.

Part 2: General Information

Secondary Education

Did you graduate from high school?*

Yes No

If not, do you possess a GED or equivalent?

Yes No

If you did not complete high school and did not obtain your GED, enter the highest grade you completed:

University or College, Business, Correspondence, Trade, or Service School(s) Attended

Post-Secondary Education

School Name and Location*: Mount San Antonio College

Course of Study/Major*: General Studies

Diploma, Degree, or Certificate Obtained. If not obtained, state "none"*: None

Number of Years Attended*: 1

Date completed, if any. If not completed, state N/A*: N/A

Post-Secondary Education

School Name and Location*: Morehouse College

Course of Study/Major*: Accounting

Diploma, Degree, or Certificate Obtained. If not obtained, state "none"*: BA

Number of Years Attended*: 4

Date completed, if any. If not completed, state N/A*: 05/93

Post-Secondary Education

School Name and Location*: University of California, Irvine

Course of Study/Major*: Criminology, Law and Society

Diploma, Degree, or Certificate Obtained. If not obtained, state "none"*: MAS

Number of Years Attended*: 2

Date completed, if any. If not completed, state N/A*: 06/19

Employment History

- Begin with your most recent job.
- List each job separately.
- Employment history must include at least the last 10 years. Employment job classifications may include retired, volunteer, not employed outside the home, or not employed. Please account for all of your time during the past 10 years.
- Include all employment history you believe is relevant beyond 10 years.

Employment History

From* (mm/dd/yyyy): 02/01/95

To* (mm/dd/yyyy): Present

Employer Name*: Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department

Title/Job Classification (include range or level, if applicable)*: Deputy Sheriff

Total Worked (years/months)*: 24 years/8 months

Description of Duties Performed*:

Detective/Investigator - conduct investigations of reported incidents in order to determine whether a crime has occurred, to identify the offender(s), to exonerate innocent parties, and to return stolen property to the rightful owners.

Activities

Describe the professional, social, political, volunteer, community activities, and causes in which you have been involved or that you have financially supported as discussed in [2 CCR §60847](#). The response to this question is limited to no more than 3200 characters including spaces (approximately 500 words). You may cut and paste text from any word processing program such as Microsoft Word*:

Over the course of my life, I have been involved in a number of professional, social, and volunteer activities whose premise has been for the betterment of the surrounding community. I am actively involved in my fraternity, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated. The Fraternity especially has a number of national programs that enable me to engage with the community in a number of ways. I have engaged in mentoring youth, fundraising for scholarships, voters registration, sex education for youth, as well as volunteered to feed and help clothe the homeless. As I particularly support programs that support youth development, I support the fundraising efforts of Friends of the Children, LA non-profit.

Former Names, Nicknames or Aliases

Have you used or been known by any other names, nicknames, or aliases since you became an adult?*

Yes No

If you have used or were known by another name, nickname, or alias, list each former name, nickname, or alias, the dates you used the other name, nickname, or alias, and the address and county where you resided when you used the other name, nickname, or alias. If you changed your name through a court filing, provide the name of the court that granted your name change:

Criminal History

Have you ever been convicted of a felony by any court?*

- Yes No

Voting Information

When you voted in any of the last three statewide general elections (i.e. the elections in November 2014, November 2016, and November 2018), did you vote using a different name or address than those you used on the initial application?*

- Yes No

Former Residences

List all of the places you have lived for 30 days or more at one time during the last 10 years (do not include information for where you lived prior to your 18th birthday). This does not include your current residence. If you lived in temporary housing while permanently residing somewhere else, note that with an * in the street address line:

Financial Contributions

List all of the monetary and non-monetary contributions valued at a total of \$250 or more that you have made in any single calendar year during the past two years to any professional, social, political, volunteer, and/or community organization or cause. Begin with your most recent contribution:

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 9/17 to present (On-Going Support)
Organization*: Morehouse College
Location*: Atlanta, GA
Amount*: \$1500

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 9/17 to present (On-Going Support)
Organization*: Manly Deeds Scholarship Foundation
Location*: Pasadena, CA
Amount*: \$2000

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 8/18 to present (On-Going Support)
Organization*: Loyola High School of Los Angeles
Location*: Los Angeles, CA
Amount*: \$2000

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 1/19 to present (On-Going Support)
Organization*: Ladera Little League
Location*: Los Angeles, CA
Amount*: \$500

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 9/17 to present (On-Going Support)

Organization*: Transfiguration Elementary School

Location*: Los Angeles, CA

Amount*: \$1000

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 9/17 to present (On-going Support)

Organization*: Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated

Location*: Pasadena, CA

Amount*: \$1000

Part 3: Family Information

You must provide information about each living family member described in this paragraph. Information about each of your family members is necessary to determine whether you have a conflict of interest that would prohibit you from serving on the Citizens Redistricting Commission. In this part of the application, you must provide information about your living parents, spouse, registered domestic partner (RDP), children, siblings, parents-in-law, siblings-in-law, sons-and daughters-in-law. Step-parents, step-children, and step-siblings count as parents, children, and siblings.

Do you have any immediate family members as described?*

- Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Spouse/Registered Domestic Partner (RDP)

Name*: Courtney Rae Taylor

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

- Been appointed to, elected to, or a candidate for a California congressional or state office. ("Appointed" means appointed by the Governor, a member of the Legislature, or a member of the State Board of Equalization, or served at the pleasure of the Governor, a member of the Legislature, or a member of the State Board of Equalization.)
- Served as an officer, employee, or paid consultant of a California political party or the campaign committee of a candidate for a California congressional or elective state office.
- Served as an elected or appointed member of a political party central committee operating in California.
- Been a lobbyist registered with the State of California or a California local government.
- Been a registered federal lobbyist.
- Served as paid California congressional, legislative, or State Board of Equalization staff.
- Contributed \$2,500 or more during a calendar year to any California congressional, state, or local candidate for elective public office.

Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

- Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

For each family member you must indicate whether you have a special (bona fide) relationship with that person. You have a special (bona fide) relationship with a family member if during the past 12 months you have ([Guidance for determining Conflicts of Interest](#)):

1. [Cohabitated with that person for a period or periods totaling 30 days or more.](#)
2. [Shared with that person ownership of any real or personal property having a total value of \\$1,000 or more.](#)
3. [Provided to or received from that person a financial benefit totaling \\$1,000 or more.](#)

Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Parent

Name*: Peggy Taylor

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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- Been a registered federal lobbyist.
- Served as paid California congressional, legislative, or State Board of Equalization staff.
- Contributed \$2,500 or more during a calendar year to any California congressional, state, or local candidate for elective public office.

Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

For each family member you must indicate whether you have a special (bona fide) relationship with that person. You have a special (bona fide) relationship with a family member if during the past 12 months you have ([Guidance for determining Conflicts of Interest](#)):

1. [Cohabitated with that person for a period or periods totaling 30 days or more.](#)
2. [Shared with that person ownership of any real or personal property having a total value of \\$1,000 or more.](#)
3. [Provided to or received from that person a financial benefit totaling \\$1,000 or more.](#)

Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Parent

Name*: Mack Henry Taylor III

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

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Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Step Parent

Name*: Sandra Yvonne Taylor

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

For each family member you must indicate whether you have a special (bona fide) relationship with that person. You have a special (bona fide) relationship with a family member if during the past 12 months you have ([Guidance for determining Conflicts of Interest](#)):

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Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Child

Name*: Derric Winston Taylor

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

For each family member you must indicate whether you have a special (bona fide) relationship with that person. You have a special (bona fide) relationship with a family member if during the past 12 months you have ([Guidance for determining Conflicts of Interest](#)):

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Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Child

Name*: Zoë Sophie-Rae Taylor

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

- Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

For each family member you must indicate whether you have a special (bona fide) relationship with that person. You have a special (bona fide) relationship with a family member if during the past 12 months you have ([Guidance for determining Conflicts of Interest](#)):

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3. [Provided to or received from that person a financial benefit totaling \\$1,000 or more.](#)

Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

- Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Child

Name*: Langston Elias Taylor

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

- Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

For each family member you must indicate whether you have a special (bona fide) relationship with that person. You have a special (bona fide) relationship with a family member if during the past 12 months you have ([Guidance for determining Conflicts of Interest](#)):

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Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Sibling

Name*: Stephan Lamar Taylor

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

For each family member you must indicate whether you have a special (bona fide) relationship with that person. You have a special (bona fide) relationship with a family member if during the past 12 months you have ([Guidance for determining Conflicts of Interest](#)):

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Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Sibling

Name*: Lorianne Marie Taylor

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

For each family member you must indicate whether you have a special (bona fide) relationship with that person. You have a special (bona fide) relationship with a family member if during the past 12 months you have ([Guidance for determining Conflicts of Interest](#)):

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Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Sibling

Name*: Monte Leron Priester

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

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Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Parent of Spouse/RDP

Name*: David Cleveland Young

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

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Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Parent of Spouse/RDP

Name*: Paulette Young

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

- Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

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Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

- Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Parent of Spouse/RDP

Name*: Laura Young

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

- Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

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Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Brother or Sister in-law: Sibling of Spouse/RDP

Name*: Erion Volpe Taylor

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

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Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Brother or Sister in-law: Spouse/RDP of Sibling

Name*: Emily Young

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

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Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Brother or Sister in-law: Spouse/RDP of Sibling

Name*: Devin Young

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

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Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Brother or Sister in-law: Spouse/RDP of Sibling

Name*: David Austin Young

For this family member, you must state whether within the past 10 years this person has engaged in any of the activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest under the Voters FIRST Act. The following is a list of those activities:

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Within the past 10 years, has the family member engaged in any of these activities that could cause you to have a conflict of interest?*

Yes No

If the family member engaged in an activity when did the activity occur?

If the family member engaged in an activity what was the activity?

For each family member you must indicate whether you have a special (bona fide) relationship with that person. You have a special (bona fide) relationship with a family member if during the past 12 months you have ([Guidance for determining Conflicts of Interest](#)):

1. [Cohabitated with that person for a period or periods totaling 30 days or more.](#)
2. [Shared with that person ownership of any real or personal property having a total value of \\$1,000 or more.](#)
3. [Provided to or received from that person a financial benefit totaling \\$1,000 or more.](#)

Do you have a special relationship with this person based on any of the three factors described?*

Yes No

Other Relevant Material

Describe any other relevant information that you consider important that was not otherwise requested in the application. The response to this question is limited to 3200 characters including spaces (approximately 500 words). You may cut and paste text from any word processing program such as Microsoft Word*:

Part 4: Letters of Recommendation

An applicant must submit, or arrange for the submission of, three letters of recommendation from individuals or organizations. A letter of recommendation may be no longer than three pages. [Guidance for letters of recommendation](#). (Note: Any additional recommendations may be submitted as a public comment and public comments are considered by the Applicant Review Panel. However, a public comment submitted about you will not count as a letter of recommendation.)

An applicant's letters of recommendation must be submitted to the California State Auditor's Office (State Auditor's Office) on or before October 20, 2019. All three letters of recommendation must include your applicant identification number, which is **21705**. This identification number is unique to your application and ensures that all of your letters of recommendation are correctly attached to your application file before they are reviewed by the Applicant Review Panel.

Online Submission of Letters of Recommendation

We have provided three links for you to provide to the individuals who will be submitting letters of recommendation on your behalf. Each link may be used for only one letter and will expire upon that letter's submission. Remember to communicate to the individuals writing your letters of recommendation that their letters must include your applicant identification number, as provided above.

Submission of Letters of Recommendation via E-mail, Facsimile, Mail, or Common Carrier

Online submission of letters of recommendation is preferred. You may also submit letters of recommendation via email to shapecaliforniasfuture@auditor.ca.gov, by facsimile to (888) 694-5288, or by U.S. Mail or other common carrier mailed to the address provided below. All letters of recommendation submitted via email, facsimile, U.S. Mail, or other common carrier must include both your application identification number (**21705**) and the letter of recommendation number (**1**, **2**, or **3**). Letters of recommendation sent to the State Auditor's Office that are not received or postmarked by October 20, 2019, will not be considered, and the applicant will not continue on in the application process.

The letters of recommendation must be addressed to the Applicant Review Panel and can be mailed to:

Applicant Review Panel
c/o California State Auditor's Office
621 Capitol Mall, Suite 1200
Sacramento, California, 95814

Part 5: Financial Disclosure Form

If likely to be selected for an interview, you will be required to submit [FPPC Form 700, Statement of Economic Interests](#). [The Fair Political Practices Commission's website has more information about the FPPC Form 700](#). You do not need to submit that form now. You will receive an email at a later date if you will be required to submit this form.

Part 6: PRIVACY NOTIFICATION AND WAIVER

LEGAL AUTHORITY AND REASON FOR COLLECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

The Voters FIRST Act (Act) and the regulations implementing the Act require that the selection of commissioners for the Citizens Redistricting Commission (Commission) be open to public scrutiny and the press (California Constitution, Article XXI, section 2, subdivision (c); Government Code sections 8252, 11120, 11121, and 11125.1; California Code of Regulations, title 2, sections 60835, 60836, 60842, and 60846). The Act also requires the California State Auditor's Office (State Auditor's Office) to select 60 of the most qualified applicants based upon their voter affiliation; eligibility to serve pursuant to Article XXI of the California Constitution; the absence of any conflicts of interest; relevant analytical skills; ability to be impartial; appreciation for California's diverse demographics and geography; and racial, ethnic, geographic, gender, and economic diversity. To determine each applicant's identity and qualifications to serve on the Commission and to track the demographic information of the applicant pool, this application seeks personal information about applicants that will be provided to the Applicant Review Panel, State Auditor's Office staff, and the public, including members of the press, the Legislature, and the Commission.

CONSEQUENCE OF NOT PROVIDING ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION

Failure to provide all of the requested information will result in your disqualification and the removal of your name from the applicant pool. Thus, if you wish to serve on the Commission, it is mandatory that you submit a response for each item of information requested.

PERMISSION TO USE AND RELEASE PERSONAL INFORMATION

By submitting this application, you acknowledge that the application, all documents submitted in support of your application, including a Statement of Economic Interests (FPPC Form 700) if you are asked to submit one, letters of recommendation, materials generated as a result of any State Auditor's Office or Applicant Review Panel investigation of you, and all public comments and responses to public comments about your application are public records. You agree that the State Auditor's Office shall provide copies of these materials to members of the public and the press, members and staff of the Applicant Review Panel, State Auditor's Office staff, the Legislature, the Commission, and as otherwise compelled by law. You understand that members of the Applicant Review Panel and the public may make public statements about you. You authorize the State Auditor's Office to use the information submitted by and about you as the State

Auditor's Office deems necessary to select commissioners, replacement commissioners, or otherwise comply with its legal duties. You also authorize the State Auditor's Office to post all materials related to your application to serve on the Commission on its website and any website authorized by the State Auditor's Office.

VOLUNTARY WAIVER OF PRIVACY RIGHTS AND STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE LIABILITY

By applying to be a commissioner, you are waiving your privacy and other rights under various state and federal laws including, but not limited to, the Information Practices Act (Cal. Civil Code section 1798 et seq.), and any defamation, invasion of privacy, and negligence claim you may have against the State Auditor's Office and those acting on its behalf. Accordingly, by waiving your privacy rights, you are agreeing to permit the State Auditor's Office to release any and all information submitted by or about you, EXCEPT that the State Auditor's Office will not post on the Internet your date of birth; physical, mailing, and email addresses (excluding the city and county); telephone numbers; the addresses and telephone numbers of your immediate family members; or any materials that the State Auditor's Office deems offensive. At this point in the process, the State Auditor's Office will not collect, and you should not voluntarily submit to the State Auditor's Office, your social security number, driver's license number, financial account numbers, or health information. By submitting your application, you acknowledge and consent to the release of the information you and others are providing related to you and, except as specifically provided above, you are waiving your right to privacy regarding all information relating to you and your application to serve as a commissioner. This waiver authorizes the State Auditor's Office to make public information submitted by or about you for a period of 12 years from the date of your application, even if you are not selected as a commissioner. You are providing this waiver voluntarily, understanding that the State Auditor's Office shall not be legally liable as a result of the release of information submitted by or about you or as the result of comments made about you by others, and that the State Auditor's Office will post on its website or otherwise release publicly. This includes claims of defamation, invasion of privacy, negligence, and any other statutory or common law claims.

WHOM TO CONTACT

You have a right to review personal information the State Auditor's Office maintains about you and to verify its accuracy. Please contact the State Auditor's Office's Information Privacy Officer at (916) 445-0255; 621 Capitol Mall, Suite 1200, Sacramento, California, 95814; if you would like to view or obtain information about the location of your records and the categories of persons who use the information in your records.

Affirmation

I affirm, by entering my initials in the box, that the statements contained in this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that I have read and understand the Privacy Notification and Waiver.

Initials*: DHT

Submitted At: 10/20/2019 11:40:42PM

Letters of Recommendation

Letter of Recommendation #1, submitted by Thomas Lee

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Mr. Taylor is a dear friend and member of our Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Letter of Recommendation:

This letter of recommendation was enthusiastically written on behalf of Derric Taylor.

I have had the honor of serving as an educator, mentor, and leader of organizations for over 20 years. Derric is one of the finest, most talented and profound individuals I have met throughout my life. His stellar example as a human being, work in law enforcement and philanthropy reveal his possession of an equal measure of heart and mind.

I've known Derric for over three decades and he's always impressed me with his high moral character, sagacity, and growth mindset. He is a beloved father of three and loyal husband to his wife for over 20 years. As a peace officer for the Los Angeles County Sheriffs Department, he still is seeking better ways to fulfill his civic duty. He recently completed his masters degree at UC Irvine, and he always looking for ways to be a solution and change agent we all desire to see.

Over the years, I have often relied on Derric to help me in my capacity as a non-profit leader to impact the lives of youth. He possesses a wonderful combination of integrity, authenticity, intellect, creativity, warmth, humor, and a comprehensive understanding of systems that's hard to find. His ability to problem-solve, discern, and collapse contradictions led to an expansion of his circle of influence in our fraternity, Alpha Phi Alpha Incorporated. He's held leadership positions at all levels. Members quickly realized he can be trusted and relied upon in all areas.

Derric will be a success in any endeavor he pursues and an asset to the commission. Please give his case favorable consideration. If you have any questions, please give me a call at the following number: [Redacted].

Letter of Recommendation #2, submitted by Michael L. Walker

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Community Service Work

Letter of Recommendation:

October 17, 2019

Dear Citizens Redistricting Commission Selection Committee:

It is my great pleasure to recommend Derric Taylor (21705) for the role of commissioner on the Citizens Redistricting Commission. I am an assistant professor in the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities' department of sociology. I have known Derric for seven years, and though my career has moved me away from my home city of Los Angeles, Derric and I remain in near daily conversation, which is to say, I know Derric Taylor and can speak to the habits of action and personality characteristics he has that will make him an outstanding commissioner. I should say, however, that not only do I count him among my most trusted and supportive friends, but I see Derric as a leader. Indeed, my first interactions with Derric were as a member of a community service organization's educational committee that he directed.

Among of the stand-out skills Derric displayed during those committee meetings was the ability to take a democratic approach to problem solving in ways that led groups who disagreed to focus on those matters upon which they agreed so that a particular goal could be accomplished. It is probably more accurate to describe that "skill" as a quality that Derric possesses because it seems to be his wont to settle conflict in the service of getting things done. The purpose of the educational committee was to distribute scholarly awards to students after evaluating their respective applications. Disagreements were common. Members expressed differing views about the structure and content of the evaluations we made. There were conflicting ideas about the committee's focus—whether it should be on procedural rightness or morally and ethically desirable outcomes. In all cases, Derric's approach was to acknowledge perspectives, summarize points made during discussions, and show where our arguments converged and diverged so that we could more clearly see pathways to accomplishing our ultimate tasks. He is quick to listen and measured in his responses. His leadership always tempered what surely would have been contentions arguments. Members showed up ready to fight and left feeling heard, understood, and valued. That was Derric Taylor's doing. But let me give you two more qualities Derric possesses that translate well for work as a citizen's commissioner.

Principally, he is an effective communicator—whether in speech or writing. As I am sure you understand well, it is difficult to overstate the value of effective writing skills and the ability to analyze big ideas, synthesize different sources of data into a digestible framework, and deliver the meaning of it all in clear and concise language. Bear in mind that Derric Taylor has an advanced degree from the University of California-Irvine and twenty-three years of work in law enforcement. He has had to develop the skill to communicate with persons from a wide range of societal arenas, and you don't get as far as he has without being great at that.

No less valuable, Derric is simply a marvel of time management. Throughout the seven years we have known one another, he has successfully maintained—what I would call—competing roles as a husband, father, law enforcement officer, accessible friend and confidant, academic, and an active member of a community service program. Whereas any combination of three of those roles might well end in time-management disasters for some, Derric understands that only one thing can be done well at a time. He gives a necessary foundation for tasks to get done; he dedicates time in accordance with a hierarchy of needs and responsibilities; and he does the thing on his schedule well. It is a simple but rarely followed formula for productivity whether in organizational meetings, interpersonal dealings, academic research, or community-oriented law enforcement. In practice this translates to him being present in whatever activity he is in. It is just one more way that he deals gracefully with the demands set upon him. While working with him, I never felt rushed or brushed off. As his friend, I marvel that he always has time for me.

If it sounds as if Derric Taylor is Superman, he is not, but he has demonstrated an extraordinary work ethic, and I admire him for it. He is a judicious-minded person with an eye for problem solving. In fact, as a bonus, Derric has one other underrated quality: likability. I have yet to meet a person who has met Derric Taylor that did not find him friendly and agreeable. There are many ways to get a job done, and whatever the skills one brings to bear, being amiable goes a long way.

So, for these reasons, I offer my strongest support for Derric Taylor to join the Citizens Redistricting Commission. I know that he will not let you down. Should you have a need for further information from me, feel free to call me: [Redacted].

Sincerely,

Michael Lawrence Walker
Assistant Professor
Department of Sociology
University of Minnesota-Twin Cities

Letter of Recommendation #3, submitted by Ron Watson

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Friend

Letter of Recommendation:

Captain Ronald L. Watson
Ontario Police Department
[Redacted]
Ontario, California 91761

Citizen's Redistricting Selection Committee

To whom it may concern:

It is with great pleasure that I recommend Derric H. Taylor for the position of Commissioner on the Citizen's Redistricting Commission. I can aptly state with confidence, that Derric would provide his time, intelligence, dedication, insight and honor to this civic body ultimately serving the constituents of California well in this capacity and upholding the ideals and purpose of this diverse electorate.

As of this date, I have known Derric in excess of three decades. During that time, we have grown from young men to individuals of principle and character able to lend our unique gifts to those around us. We both have traveled paths that have lead through education, college, personal growth and self-reflection. We both have shared roots in a working class community where hard work, personal responsibility, diversity, equity as well as duty were common themes in our households. It is more than likely that those shared values were the impetus of a lifelong friendship. Since those early days we both have also found a shared profession in law enforcement. In law enforcement, Derric and I have found career satisfaction through service to the community and the opportunity to give back or replenish what was afforded to us, and at times, to blaze a trail for others to follow. Derric has often stated that it is the attributes of a servant leader, which he possesses, that can have a positive impact on the communities we come into contact with on a daily basis. It is the realization and dichotomy of being of services to others that enables an individual to assume a role of leadership within a given community. This dichotomy also perpetuates within the individual and serves as on-going motivation to continue on a path of service and leadership. Derric grasps that concept to the benefit of others. I further believe, and it is especially important to note, that Derric has chosen to serve professionally in a community where he has roots making a direct impact upon the community that helped to develop him into the person he has become. To state in colloquial terms, Derric has worked countless of thankless hours to improve the community that surrounds him without complaint. Derric, as a former athlete, understands the concept of team work and the goals a combined unit can accomplish. This attribute fits well in a committee environment where it is important that the needs of a populace are held in due regard, in an effort to accomplish a given task, all while working together in a group. Both Derric and I have a strong sense of family and take particular pride in our family ties and the subsequent families we have created through our marriages. In our family units we both continue to model and instill the moral fiber that was portrayed to us throughout our lives to include civic involvement.

Throughout my experiences with Derric, we have had the opportunity to share and discuss countless topics. These conversations with Derric have given me the opportunity to see how he accepts and process information, that he is open to constructive criticism, and how he continues to grow as an individual. Derric is able to shape and approach an argument or problem logically, based on tangible evidence and data while being empathetic to the emotional impact an argument may contain or the emotions inherent in the scenario. Derric is able, when dissecting or analyzing an argument or solution, to be impartial and to judge both the macro and micro components of an issue before drawing a conclusion. This attribute may be one of the biggest strengths possessed by Derric and will lay at the heart of being an effective Commissioner.

As a law enforcement executive that has had past experiences as the department head of a personal unit, I am very familiar with the qualities that contribute to success both professionally and personally. As an individual that has been around Derric for an indiscriminate amount of time, I am aware of the individual that he is and the qualities he possesses that would be an asset to the commission. Based on the above, I whole heartily recommend Derric H. Taylor for the role of Commissioner and have no doubt that he would serve admirably while representing the people to the best of his abilities.

Best regards,

Ronald L. Watson

Application Identification Number 21705

Public Comments

[Submit Public Comment for this Applicant](#)

Comment 610, submitted by Peggy Taylor

How Submitter Knows Applicant: He is my son

Submitted On: 10/24/2019

Comment:

Derric is a very dedicated, family oriented, civic minded individual. He is a college graduate, very supportive of family members and others in his circle. He has been employed with the same employer more than 20 years, has lived in the same general area more than 40 years. He is dependable. I believe he is highly qualified based upon his employment experience as a peace officer, education BA/MBA, volunteer work with community organizations.

Comment 1192, submitted by Tamiko Craig

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Childhood Friend

Submitted On: 11/04/2019

Comment:

Compassion for others is a trait that is often revered yet not widely possessed. This trait in combination with integrity, intelligence and wisdom succinctly describe the core being of Derric Taylor. These attributes have been oft displayed throughout a friendship that has spanned for nearly 30 years. During this time I have witnessed his strong ethical values, industrious nature, commitment to fairness and impartiality, as well as a true sense of altruism. These values are evident in his professional and personal life. He is an inspiring presence with a unifying personality and ability to think beyond the box. Given his exceptional tenacity he has and will continue to thrive in all he endeavors. He will assuredly provide immense value to The Citizens Redistricting Commission.

Comment 1367, submitted by Mary Lou Guzman

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Friend of the Family

Submitted On: 11/05/2019

Comment:

I've known Derric Taylor for 20+ years and feel that he's a very qualified candidate. He's intelligent and trustworthy. I feel I can definitely count on him as he's always been a reliable person. He's a pillar of the community and volunteers his time with nonprofit involvement.

Comment 1569, submitted by Laurence Springer

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Personal Friend

Submitted On: 11/08/2019

Comment:

It is a pleasure to add this public comment to the record. I have known Mr. Taylor for over 35 years and I know him to be honest, hard working, caring, trustworthy and diligent. I have had the pleasure of calling him a friend, teammate, opponent, assistant coach, and business partner. In all of our dealings, Derric has been the voice of reason and the one to consider all sides of the situation. When Derric chose to apply for employment with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, I knew that if he were to be hired, he would be a great asset. I also knew that his ability to be fair, think critically, and problem solve, would bode him well as a member of law enforcement. I believe these same qualities would also serve useful as a member of the Citizens Redistricting Commission. I can think of no other person that I know that is better suited for the task of being a member of the California Citizens Redistricting Commission.

Comment 1692, submitted by Laura Young

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Son-in-law

Submitted On: 11/09/2019

Comment:

Having a son-in-law who is all that you hoped for is a blessing and a gift. We all want our children to have the best that life has to offer, and that includes a loving mate. For me, Derric Taylor, checks all the boxes.

My daughter and I met Derric in the summer of '93 soon after he graduated from Morehouse College. From the very beginning, I was struck by his maturity and how level headed he was. He exhibited high moral character in his treatment of my daughter and others.

Law enforcement was his career choice which shows his dedication to community. He continues to strive to advance in his career by completing his Masters at University Of California, Irvine.

Derric Taylor is a caring and loving husband and father. His large family and circle of friends have nothing but love and respect for him. It is my privilege to give my recommendation for Derric Taylor to the California Citizens Redistricting Commission. I know all will find him to be a great asset.

Comment 1763, submitted by Courtney Taylor

How Submitter Knows Applicant: He is my spouse

Submitted On: 11/09/2019

Comment:

Citizen's Redistricting Selection Committee

I have known Derric Taylor for 26 years, and we've been married for 20 of those years. He is a man of integrity who is as dedicated to service and the betterment of his community, as he is to our family...which is saying a lot.

Derric and I met shortly after he earned his accounting degree from Morehouse College. His plans were to put his newly earned degree into use in the corporate arena. Job prospects for new graduates were slim however and after much thought and consideration he decided to give law enforcement a try. He figured if it didn't work out, he could always fall back on his degree. He successfully completed his training at the academy and accepted the offer to join the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. I must admit that I wasn't terribly thrilled at the time, but as I think about it, he is perfectly suited for his career in law enforcement. Derric is the embodiment of a public servant in that he is thoughtful, logical and patient, with clear and consistent ethical standards. He is fair minded and keenly aware and considerate of the long term impacts of his decisions. I witness these attributes daily because he is an excellent father to our children, he is a dependable partner as we navigate our busy lives together, he is a respected leader within his fraternity, and is a sought after player and leader over the years on one adult men's baseball team after another.

Speaking of the thinking man's game, Derric is a student of the game of baseball, the sport he's played since childhood and continues to play. He is a sought after teammate and he shares what he knows about the game with the players on the Little League team he coaches year after year. It isn't always easy navigating team dynamics as a player or the manager, but Derric does so in such a way that his fellow teammates feel valued, and each player on he coaches gets a shot and feels like they belong, no matter their skill level. It's not all about winning for Derric. Winning is great of course, but he's most focused on growth and improvement and sharing the game he loves with others so that they grow to love it and benefit from all that the game has to teach if you're willing to learn. He is the player you want on your team, and the manager you want for your player, and he's fair, respected and well liked in either case.

Derric is dedicated, hard-working and loyal, and an asset to any organization lucky enough to have him, and would ably represent the residents of the great state of California as a Commissioner on the Citizen's Redistricting Commission.

Comment 1925, submitted by Lorianne M. Taylor

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Derric is my brother.

Submitted On: 11/10/2019

Comment:

Derric H. Taylor is highly qualified for the position. He is a leader in both his professional and personal life. He upholds his duties in serving the public on a daily basis which also expands to his personal life. As a peace officer, Derric ensures that he serves his community by protecting them and their liberties. Derric is also affiliated with a fraternity where he serves as a community leader. Again, both in his professional and personal life he demonstrates a spirit of service. The position that he is applying for requires an individual who has the ability to serve and preserve the basic voting rights of individuals. Derric H. Taylor is an active member of his community who would uphold the requirements, standards, and privileges of the office.

Comment 1928, submitted by Mack Henry Taylor

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Son

Submitted On: 11/10/2019

Comment:

Derric is my only son , I have watched him grow from a baby to the outstanding man he is today. Over the years I watched him acquire the values needed to become a responsible, dependable man, husband, father and leader. I watched him acquire his undergrad degree in Accounting while interning for the County of Los Angeles and then his Master degree in Criminal law from UC Irvine at the age of 49. I think that is outstanding! I also witness him rising to detective rank with the LA COUNTY Sheriff department while being the loving and caring husband and father to his family. I know Derric will bring to any position / appointment he is awarded, fairness, impartiality, and responsiveness, because he has demonstrated these qualities his entire life.

Comment 2003, submitted by Stephan L Taylor

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Sibling

Submitted On: 11/10/2019

Comment:

Derric was born to serve. He believes in the proverb "preach the gospel, if necessary use words". As such, he leads by his example which is far more effective than the words of others. When Derric graduated from Morehouse College, he started a career as an accountant. Like many young educated men of color Derric was troubled to see that regardless of his/our education many of us were still miss treated by law enforcement some being swallowed by the legal system. After sharing his concern with our mother, she challenged Derric to be a part of the solution rather than choir of people complaining about the way things were. Soon after that conversation Derric made a career change that would impact both of our lives. My brother's decision to become a Deputy Sherriff indirectly helped me to make better life choices as a young man. In the twenty plus years since that decision, I've heard from his command staff, his partners, and men and women he has trained that he has garnered respect from street smart men and women to judges and local officials because he treats everyone he encounters like a human being first. I'm challenged when I look at the news and absorb the skewed data, somehow Derric is able to see things both as a cop and a Black man; a law abiding citizen and someone who might lack the tools to navigate through society; a husband, father, and community leader and an outlier who doesn't understand social norms. Derric has the gift of seeing the facts, evaluating the situation, and generating an unbiased report of his findings. I asked him why he wanted to serve as a commissioner and his answer was reminiscent of his career change of twenty years ago. He sees a need and he's willing to answer the call to serve. To Derric, this is another opportunity to serve his community, and to the diversity of the commission and demonstrate, once again through his actions that democracy can work as long as we get involved. Its an honor for me to comment on his behalf. I pray that you accept his application and carefully consider it as you form the commission for redistricting.

Stephan L Taylor

Comment 2253, submitted by Stephan L Taylor

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Sibling

Submitted On: 11/13/2019

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Comment 2676, submitted by Jeff Lohmann

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Co-worker

Submitted On: 11/27/2019

Comment:

It is a privilege to provide public comment and recommend Derric Taylor as a commissioner on the Citizens Redistricting Commission. Derric is a man of integrity, honor and dedication and I would feel entirely at ease with Derric representing my community and the interest of others in this capacity. Redistricting is an issue of tantamount importance to our democracy and I truly believe that Derric would function in a fair and impartial manner, much like he has already demonstrated in his professional life, while seated in this position to the benefit of the people of California.

Derric and I are work partners and we both currently conduct law enforcement investigations. We have worked with in close proximity of one another for the last six years. During that time, I have personally witnessed Derric and an exemplary work ethic. Derric has worked on numerous investigations over that span of time and has always approached his cases with fairness and objectivity. He is able to extract information from witnesses, victims, and suspects and does not have any issues connecting with individuals from all walks of life. Derric is able to address all segments of the public and has an appreciation for the differences in individuals and diversity. Those differences have not clouded his judgement and we often have open discussion regarding how we can best handle our caseloads. Derric's humility is an asset along with a desire to be transparent in his duties. Law enforcement and the application of law can be challenging at times. Statutes and laws can be technical, difficult, and sometimes ambiguous. In the investigation of cases, I have seen Derric handle difficult legal issues ranging from fraud and identity theft to intent crimes and assaults. This ability has showcased how Derric can navigate legal concepts along with purpose and translate the information for practical application and law enforcement. This ability in particular will greatly benefit the Commission as it will need to apply legal concepts and information with the practical purpose of drawing district lines

A great example of the person Derric is relates to how I learned that Derric was seeking this appointment. Since Derric and I are work partners and our desk are within close proximity, I inadvertently came upon this information. While Derric was watching and listening to live stream of the most current meeting in the background at his workstation, I also saw the live stream and I became curious as to the content of what Derric was watching. I asked a few questions and Derric explained his efforts to get appointed to the Redistricting Commission and its purpose. Being Derric's partner, I am aware of his endeavors and his desire to be of use to society both personally and professionally. We often state our intent is, "to be good people". My learning of Derric's intent to be of use to the Commission without any fanfare or publication is par for the course for Derric. This is just another instance where Derric quietly is attempting to work playing his part in society by lending his skillset to an endeavor for the benefit of others.

In conclusion, I would recommend that Derric be placed on the Commission without any reservations. I believe that the selection committee would be hard pressed to find other individuals with the same capacity and skillset as Derric and able to translate the theoretical to practical output. I cannot stress enough how I believe Derric is the right individual for this responsibility.

Comment 2858, submitted by Robert Grant

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Fraternity Members and he patrols my neighborhood.

Submitted On: 12/08/2019

Comment redacted.

Comment:

Good Afternoon Representative,

As current Chapter President of the Eta Pi Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated let me enthusiastically raise my hand in support of Derric H. Taylor as he seeks to become a member of the California Redistricting Commission. Derric has been a valued member of both Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and this Chapter to the benefit of our membership as well as a beacon to those individuals he comes into contact with through the course of our business and national programs. Outside of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity and in his personal life, Derric is a man of honor who goes the extra mile for his fellow citizens much like the ideals of our dear Fraternity. Those same qualities will continue to benefit Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity as well as those individuals that are fortunate enough to get to know Derric and hopefully in the near future, become a benefit to the Redistricting Commission.

To explain the tenets of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated further would help to explain who Derric is as a person and qualify why Derric H. Taylor is a strong candidate for the Redistricting Commission. Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated stands for lofty ideals similar to those set forward in our democracy. Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity believes in the equality of all people, the ability of individuals to accomplish these goals, and to do so at a high degree. Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated seeks men of this stature, who believe in those ideals. Derric is a Fraternity member in good standing and is one of those men. Derric, being the immediate past vice-president of the Chapter, has had to put his abilities to practice. I have had the privilege of working with Derric on the Chapter executive board and those qualities have come to bear. Derric in his role as vice-president represented the interest of the body well and did not succumb to representing issues that could be described as partisan in nature. Derric was/is not supportive of matters that were of interest to particular cliques or factions of the membership but was/is always concerned with the entire body. Derric was not self-aggrandizing and worked well within the team environment. Derric was empowering of other member and committees and sought their advice when needed or accepted their recommendations when appropriate. Derric approached his role as vice-president with a humility that was beguiling of his depth of knowledge. I have no doubt that these attributes will continue to come into play wherever Derric chooses to lend his talents.

In observing Derric handle his duties as vice-president, I have come to the conclusion that Derric is willing to stand up for causes he believes in and does not shrink away from inquiry or the truth in a matter. Derric does not acquiesce for the sake of peace, but rather stands up for what is just. I believe Derric's thought process is based in the logical formation of thought, ideas, and evidence and is probably closely related to his job as a law enforcement professional. Logic is especially beneficial when an individual must weigh the circumstances of an action versus another or comprehend and analyze complex concepts, and Derric is able to do that very well considering all possible consequences or grasping the point of the matter.

Although Derric is not the current vice-president, he still maintains a strong presence within the chapter as an active member on a number of committees to the betterment of our Chapter. Derric however, is still a sitting member on the executive board of the Manly Deeds Scholarship Foundation which is a non-profit created by our Chapter and raises scholarship funds to award to deserving area youth. I must humbly state, at the given moment, the Manly Deeds Foundation is experiencing its highest rate of success and it is manifest in the Foundation's increased ability to award higher and higher scholarship awards. Derric is a part of that successful executive team. So, while Derric may not function in one role, he consistently finds ways to positively contribute to the betterment of our membership and society.

One of the national programs of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated is "A Voteless People is a Hopeless People". This national program centers on the concept that voting is an important and essential part of our democracy. Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity members share in this belief and it is espoused by Derric as well. That being the case, I was not surprised when Derric spoke with me about the Redistricting Commission and relayed that he is seeking an appointment. The Redistricting Commission reaffirms the importance of voting and ensures that the value of the vote is not lost on issues such as gerrymandering. Unscrupulously political practices are contrary to the ideals of our democracy, so it seems appropriate that Derric would choose to serve in a position such as this. I could not think of a better individual or Fraternity member than Derric to serve on this Commission. I humbly implore the selection committee to favorably consider the application of Derric and appoint him onto the Redistricting Commission poste haste!!!

Fraternally Yours,

Robert Grant III

President, Eta Pi Lambda Chapter, No. 270

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated

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Comment 3347, submitted by Lorraine M Phillippi

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Co-worker and friend

Submitted On: 02/11/2020

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I have known Derric for approximately 15 years on both a professional and personal level. I truly love, respect and admire him. He is not only a wonderful husband, father and son, he is an extraordinary human being and a fantastic partner. I have had the pleasure of working side by side with Derric, and I know first hand how he possesses an incredible work ethic and is always striving to better himself and the people around him. He respects and loves our community, and is fair to all people without judgment regardless of difference of personal and political opinions. He sees the good in all people, but always believes we as an individual and community can always do better.

Being in law enforcement is difficult, and he has helped guide and mentor me to be open minded, fair with no biases towards all people of different lifestyles, religions and social upbringings. I truly admire him for so many reasons, which are true and dear to me.

Derric would make a wonderful commissioner, and our community would benefit in so many ways to have him represent us.

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- [Form 700 \(PDF\)](#)
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