



2020 Citizens Redistricting Commission | APPLICATION

Application for Jane M. Andersen

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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*:

Jane

Middle name:

M.

Last Name*:

Andersen

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

Physical Address

City*:

Berkeley

State (if temporarily residing outside of California):

CA

Zip/Postal Code*:

94707

County:

Alameda

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](#)?*

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*: JMA

Submitted At: 08/06/2019 1:04:34PM

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.

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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*:

I wish to serve on the Commission because I wholeheartedly agree with its important mission and believe my professional and volunteer experiences have given me the skills and abilities to be a valuable contributing member.

The 2008 Voters First Act handed the people of California an enormous task; it is our civic duty to contribute in any way we can. The 2010 commission did the Herculean task of drawing, for the first time, non-politically based maps. They had to struggle with new criteria and, as demonstrated by most analyses, court decisions, and subsequent competitive political races, were very successful. The 2020 commission must continue this mission of non-political map redrawing, learn from the 2010 commission, and improve where possible. California needs another well-intentioned, diverse, impartial commission of people whose skills complement each other to get all aspects of this job done. I am such a person.

2020 is a different time; the Commission's challenges will be different. People are more aware of gerrymandering today than ever before, and this, along with the current climate of extreme political divisiveness, is breeding distrust and helplessness in our democracy. It is crucial that, while everyone is watching, California continues to lead the country in establishing fair and equitable procedures for redistricting, using its open, transparent, and inclusive process. The Commission is a shining example of how people can put aside their political differences, roll up their sleeves, and work together to bring democracy to all Californians.

I wish to continue the work of the 2010 Commission to bring the people closer to the representatives of their choosing, and encourage voter participation at higher levels by making everyone feel included. I can be a member who demonstrates that the Commission is not comprised of politicians, but of fair-minded, objective Californians. I hope to bolster the public's belief in the process and confidence that, even if their voting districts have unusual shapes, the reason is to connect people of similar interests, not political gerrymandering.

As a registered Civil and Structural Engineer, I have been educated and trained in advanced, technical, data-based problem solving. I have worked extensively in quantitative, statistical, and computer analysis, computer assisted drafting (CAD) programs, and building code review, editing, and writing. I have reviewed property lines, verified legal property descriptions, and drawn subdivisions. I have also been involved in litigation/mediation as an expert witness and have prepared facts for litigation. I have sat on boards of directors, presented technical papers and taught FEMA classes. This experience, combined with my engineering pro bono and other volunteer experiences, has given me the ability to work comfortably with very technical material and data, and to communicate the results in both technical and non-technical terms.

It would be an honor, a privilege, and a unique opportunity to serve on the Commission. I will be an enthusiastic commissioner with the time and desire to make this work well. I look forward to the opportunity to be of service.

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*:

To be impartial as set forth in the law means that If an applicant has strong political views, or biases, they can put these aside to fairly evaluate information required to do the job of the Commission. I have no such biases, political participation, personal financial interests or aspirations that would improperly influence my redistricting decisions.

I believe to be impartial means one comes at a situation with an open mind, ready to hear, and equally and fairly evaluate, all opinions and facts, and seeks out contrary opinions and/or facts, to ensure that all information is included. One often has to set aside personal views to achieve a common goal. This impartiality can be seen in both my professional and volunteer experiences.

As a volunteer Block Captain for the Solano Avenue Stroll-a large annual street festival- my job is to help vendors from statewide setup their booths along the street. This requires flexibility and firmness, patience and haste. Everyone has a map. My job is to get them into their spots so they all fit, are happy, it is a successful Festival. The map is a guideline. If I start the morning with an idea of where things will go, I must adjust that and shift the locations as needed. This requires lots of impartiality and good humor.

As a civil engineer I designed a seismic upgrade for a large concrete warehouse. At that time, upgrade standards had not been put into code. Engineers worked with building owners to determine the criteria and building departments would hire engineering firms to review the design. Although necessary, no engineer likes having their work critiqued by another engineer. My design involved unique ideas so the review was crucial. My boss and the head review engineer could not agree. His boss and I took over the review. We reassessed all assumptions, and modified the original design, still keeping the unique elements. It would work if the contractor didn't have to cut the reinforcing bars. I proposed the idea of using a helicopter to place the long verticals. The contractor loved it, the modified design was approved, and the job was built. On this job I went from having very strong ideas about my design and being angry with the review engineer, to having a better design that kept the original, unique elements. I learned that careful review by another professional is not something to be avoided, but something to seek out.

After I got my Structural Engineering license, I went to work for the firm that did that review. On my first job with them I found significant structural damage to heavy timber columns and trusses. Repairing damage in heavy-timber trusses is difficult. My best solution was to use steel to replicate the old truss support joint, a very unique repair. When I had designed my repair, I went right into the office of the review engineer from the old concrete job and asked him to review it. We evaluated all assumptions and criteria. When there were no more unasked or unanswered questions, I knew it was a good design. The contractor manufactured the joint and installed it. It was a success. I know the best solutions occur if you can be impartial even in your own work.

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*:

I have a deep appreciation for California's diverse demographics and geography; this diversity is what makes California great! Geographically, we have it all: oceans, mountains, forests, deserts, plains, and rivers. In my travels through our state, I have seen that this variety naturally creates different economic strengths, such as agriculture, industry, fishing, hunting, and tourism. We should expect political priority differences within California based solely on geography.

As one of very few women early in structural engineering, I have experienced firsthand the benefits of gender diversity in successful projects. As a woman I have eased tension between building owners and contractors, and have had experienced construction workers ask me engineering questions that they told me they would never have asked a man and never would have made the required changes.

As my father was in the Air Force, we traveled extensively when I was young. I saw firsthand how people of different cultures, ethnicities and economic status interacted and thus, treating all people with respect required different approaches. Working in groups of diverse backgrounds has made me appreciate that different cultures respond uniquely requiring a variety of approaches to get their participation. I saw this in my experiences at my children's preschool.

In the early 2000's playgrounds across our state were undergoing renovations for safety reasons. My children's preschool was affected. They were told they could not just replace the existing equipment as it now would not fit under the new playground codes. I volunteered. Working with the manufacturers, I proposed a modification to the elementary school equipment for preschools. This enabled a playground design that could work. I encouraged the school to create a master plan to include all ideas and hire a play yard/park specialist. Working with this diverse group of consultants, teachers and administrators, I saw the need for, and learned how to create, the different opportunities necessary to make all people feel comfortable enough to lend their voice. For example, certain people speak up, others need an expecting pause, while others need to be engaged as a continuation of an old conversation. Creating these opportunities got all voices to speak, and hence all ideas incorporated into the master plan.

My children's preschool taught inclusion and respect in simple terms and led by example. When my oldest child went to elementary school, diversity was respected but not prioritized. Building on my experiences of seeing the benefit to the community when all voices are heard, I used the opportunity of my volunteer work to increase and support respect for diversity. My work has included adding: appreciation of all religions in class activities; an anti-bullying training into faculty and school curriculum; an acceptance of learning differences in college prep school; and a mandatory, all-inclusive family unit into curriculum. The family unit work evolved into a standing Diversity Committee and NIA, supporting students of color. I am pleased to say that for many years now, that same school has diversity as part of its mission.

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*:

Analytical proficiency is an integral part of my professional and pro bono work and is a strength I can bring to the Commission. As a civil and structural engineer, my work product is typically drawings, like the commission's work product is maps. My design engineering experience requires getting criteria from building owners or architects, gathering and comprehending technical information, and synthesizing that material into a work product that ensures public safety, meets the criteria, can be constructed, and can be defended in court. This experience allows me to distinguish genuine concerns from disingenuous assertions. My work investigating earthquake damage and other structural failures requires gathering information from all different sources. In one case, a wood beam failed, but there was no obvious reason why this one beam failed while none of the other similar beams failed. From the tenants, I learned that six months earlier the area below the failure had been the dishwashing station. Constant steam from the station caused the failure. Such investigations make me accustomed to searching for all the relevant information to find the best solution.

I have group experience working with technical material from serving two terms on the Structural Engineers Association of Northern California (SEAONC) Board of Directors, where all meetings followed Robert's Rules of Order. The Board oversees the work of its committees including building code, continuing education, and disaster emergency services. As Chair of the SEAONC legislative committee, I followed California legislation affecting engineers and worked with representatives from the other engineering disciplines to attend and participate in all public meeting of the Board of Registered Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors (BORPELS, now BPELSG).

My ability to solve complex problems, work through factual ambiguities, and my precision with legal standards is shown in my work as a member of a task force of structural engineers and architects charged with introducing a chapter for strawbale construction to the 2015 International Code series. Strawbale is an alternative building material that has been used both internationally and in the US since the late 1800's, but it has never had a universal standard. Knowing that the code adoption process requires a SEAOC structural review, I was asked to join the group because of my extensive experience with SEAOC and code writing. My initial role was that of an independent mediator between the task force and the SEAOC structural code writers/reviewers. I then had to learn the details of strawbale, a material with which I was not familiar, in order to become a facilitator of the code writing process and an integral member of the joint group. The joint group reviewed assumptions, structural laboratory testing data, architectural details, and constructability issues, and edited the draft for clarity and compromise, resulting in a better code. With public safety as our priority, we successfully synthesized all of this information into a draft chapter ready for code approval, which was adopted into the International Residential Code.

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*: University of California, Berkeley, California

Course of Study/Major*: Structural Engineering and Structural Mechanics

Diploma, Degree, or Certificate Obtained. If not obtained, state "none"*: Master of Science

Number of Years Attended*: 1

Date completed, if any. If not completed, state N/A*: June, 1982

Post-Secondary Education

School Name and Location*: University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana
Course of Study/Major*: Civil Engineering
Diploma, Degree, or Certificate Obtained. If not obtained, state "none"*: Bachelor of Science
Number of Years Attended*: 4
Date completed, if any. If not completed, state N/A*: May, 1981

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): 2010
To* (mm/dd/yyyy): present
Employer Name*: Jane Andersen, S.E.
Title/Job Classification (include range or level, if applicable)*: semi retired/pro bono structural engineer/volunteer
Total Worked (years/months)*: 10
Description of Duties Performed*:

review structural plans and ideas for friends, property line conflicts, consult on construction issues, (formal jobs are listed below); Neighborhood organizing captain; active parent volunteer at school, raising children, etc.

Employment History

From* (mm/dd/yyyy): 2009
To* (mm/dd/yyyy): present
Employer Name*: Solano Avenue Stroll, Solano Avenue Association
Title/Job Classification (include range or level, if applicable)*: Block Captain
Total Worked (years/months)*: 3 days annually
Description of Duties Performed*:

In a large street festival, I assist vendors to locate and setup stalls along street, patrol for problems, answer all questions, report issues, then help coordinate all take down and re-opening the street.

Employment History

From* (mm/dd/yyyy): 03/2012
To* (mm/dd/yyyy): 08/2012
Employer Name*: Strawbale Task Force
Title/Job Classification (include range or level, if applicable)*: Volunteer Structural Engineer/pro bono
Total Worked (years/months)*: 6 months
Description of Duties Performed*:

Part of group of engineers and architects tasked with getting a chapter for strawbale construction into the International building code. Reviewed testing data, analysis assumptions, wrote and edited code.

Employment History

From* (mm/dd/yyyy): 10/2000

To* (mm/dd/yyyy): 5/2002

Employer Name*: Step One School

Title/Job Classification (include range or level, if applicable)*: Pro bono engineer/volunteer

Total Worked (years/months)*: 1/7

Description of Duties Performed*:

Engineer/project manager/contractor for design and construction of playground & hillside remodel. Included protected surface, equipment, hillside slide, small building, ramps with retaining walls. Reviewed codes to modify equipment to fit.

Employment History

From* (mm/dd/yyyy): 07/27/1988

To* (mm/dd/yyyy): 07/28/1995

Employer Name*: Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc

Title/Job Classification (include range or level, if applicable)*: Structural Engineer

Total Worked (years/months)*: 7 years

Description of Duties Performed*:

Structural failure investigation & repair, Seismic upgrade design and evaluation, earthquake damage evaluation and repair, expert testimony, litigation preparation, code review, taught FEMA classes on earthquake preparedness

Employment History

From* (mm/dd/yyyy): 03/1983

To* (mm/dd/yyyy): 7/1987

Employer Name*: Toft & deNevers Structural Engineering

Title/Job Classification (include range or level, if applicable)*: Civil Engineer

Total Worked (years/months)*: 3/4

Description of Duties Performed*:

Analyzed, designed, and drafted structural additions, renovations, new construction, seismic upgrades, seawall, and an elevator for downtown car dealership. Reviewed property lines and shop drawings. Did construction inspection.

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*:

Structural Engineers Association of Northern California (SEAONC) Board of Directors 1990-92, 1984-85 as Young Member Chair; SEAONC Legislative Committee Chair 1988-90, SEAOC Legislative Committee 1988-93; Disaster Emergency Services volunteer; Hensolt Legacy Project 2018-present.

Head Royce School- As a volunteer from 2000-present, my activities include: Room Parent, field trip driver, music program supporter, theater costume arranger for plays, graduation and promotion party planning committees, early contributor to anti-bullying and inclusion curriculum, learning difference network member.

St. Mary Magdalen Church- As a grounds committee volunteer I arranged for condition assessment evaluations of all buildings which included the church, the school, and the priests' and nuns' residences I helped interpret the results and make a master plan for construction work. I gave engineering advice for a voluntary seismic upgrade of the office and priest's residence.

Berkeley Community Scholars- a scholarship and mentoring program for low income high school students in Berkeley to pursue college.

Berkeley Path Wanderers Association- a group that builds, repairs and maintains the emergency evacuation pathways in Berkeley and hosts hikes. I gave engineering recommendations on constructability of difficult paths.

Berkeley Architectural Heritage Association-member

Friends of the Fountain and Walk-member

Neighborhood block organizer- I send out information of notices and local events that affect our block and emergency preparedness.

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*: 09/28/2019
Organization*: Berkeley Community Scholars
Location*: Berkeley, CA
Amount*: \$1,000.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2018
Organization*: Alameda County Community Food Bank
Location*: Oakland, CA
Amount*: \$1,000.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2018
Organization*: National Resource Defense Council
Location*: New York, NY
Amount*: \$500.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/13/2018
Organization*: National Wildlife Federation
Location*: Reston, VA
Amount*: \$500.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2018
Organization*: Heifer International
Location*: Little Rock, AR
Amount*: \$250.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2018
Organization*: Planned Parenthood Federation
Location*: New York, NY
Amount*: \$300.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2018
Organization*: Head Royce School
Location*: Oakland, CA
Amount*: \$250.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2018
Organization*: St. Marys College High School
Location*: Berkeley, CA
Amount*: \$250.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2017
Organization*: OXFAM
Location*: Washington, D.C.
Amount*: \$500.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2017
Organization*: St. Marys College High School
Location*: Berkeley, CA
Amount*: \$250.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 03/12/2019
Organization*: Head Royce School
Location*: Oakland, CA
Amount*: \$1,350.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 11/29/2017
Organization*: Alameda County Community Food Bank
Location*: Oakland, CA
Amount*: \$500.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 10/13/2017
Organization*: American Red Cross
Location*: Washington, D.C.
Amount*: \$500.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2018
Organization*: Doctors without Borders
Location*: New York City, NY, Geneva, Switzerland
Amount*: \$1,000.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2018
Organization*: Joe Timpane Fund
Location*: Arlington, VA
Amount*: \$500.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2018
Organization*: NARAL Pro-Choice America
Location*: Washington, D.C.
Amount*: \$300.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2018
Organization*: OXFAM
Location*: Washington, D.C.
Amount*: \$1026.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2018
Organization*: Nature Conservancy
Location*: Arlington, VA
Amount*: \$257.50

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2018
Organization*: World Wildlife Fund
Location*: Washington, D.C.
Amount*: \$500.00

Financial Contribution

Date of Contribution, if known*: 12/31/2018

Organization*: Environmental Defense Fund

Location*: New York, NY

Amount*: \$309.00

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*: Michael Timpane

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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*: Child

Name*: Veronica Timpane

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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

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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*: Marcus Timpane

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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

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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*: P. Michael Timpane

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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*: Genevieve Timpane

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

Name*: Paul Timpane

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

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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*: Peter Timpane

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Yes No

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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*: Lisa Moyer

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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

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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*: Dwight Moyer, D.C.

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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- Yes No

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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*: Mark Andersen

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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

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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*: Greg Andersen

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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

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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*: Jeanette Koss

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

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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 Your Spouse's/RDP's Sibling

Name*: Sharon Timpane

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

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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*: David Timpane

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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- 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*: Brother or Sister in-law: Spouse/RDP of Your Spouse's/RDP's Sibling

Name*: Ethel Anne Timpane

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.
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- 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?

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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 **20496**. 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 (**20496**) 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*: JMA

Submitted At: 10/20/2019 11:43:12PM

Letters of Recommendation

Letter of Recommendation #1, submitted by Kevin Donahue

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Professional Relationship

Letter of Recommendation:

Verdant Structural Engineers
[Redacted], Berkeley CA 94710

October 20, 2019

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

Recommendation letter to the 2020 California Citizens Redistricting Commission for Jane Andersen, Berkeley, CA

Application identification number: 20496

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in strong support of the application of Jane Andersen of Berkeley, California for a position on the 2020 California Citizens Redistricting Commission. Both Jane and myself are California licensed civil and structural engineers, and I have known Jane since the early 1990s, when I was an engineer at the San Francisco structural engineering firm Toft & de Nevers, and Jane was an engineer at the Emeryville office of Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates. At the time, Jane was also a board member of our professional association, the Structural Engineers Association of Northern California (SEAONC), a member organization of the statewide Structural Engineers Association of California (SEAOC), and had first been a SEAONC board member in 1983. It's worth noting that, in the 80s and early 90s, SEAONC was an extremely male-dominated organization, and Jane was one of the first women to take a leadership role in the association, which, in addition to her engineering expertise, required a notable level of political and organizational skill, as well as determination and perseverance.

My next significant contact with Jane was in 1999, while I was still a structural engineer at Toft and de Nevers (by then, Toft, de Nevers & Lee), when I was on the site committee of my daughters' school in Berkeley, Berkeley Montessori School (BMS), now "The Berkeley School," which was then located on LeRoy Avenue in Berkeley, also known as the "Hillside School site, the site of the former Hillside Elementary School of the Berkeley public school system. The Berkeley Unified School District (BUSD) abandoned the building in 1983 due to the seismic hazards associated with the building's close proximity to the Hayward Fault. Because of these concerns, I prepared a report along with fellow site committee member Will Travis, then head of the San Francisco Bay Conservation and Development Commission (SFBCDC), addressing the seismic hazards. During this period I turned to Jane for help assessing the seismic structural issues, assembling and writing the hazard report, and then, after the report was written, negotiating the politics within the school, presenting the ramifications of the report to both the BMS Board of Directors, as well as the larger school community. I remained engaged in the process through 2000, after my daughters had left the school, and the final result of our efforts was that in 2003 the school abandoned the Hillside site and relocated to their current location on University Avenue. Jane was enormously helpful through the entire process, both in helping assess the structural issues, as well as the political and institutional challenges that followed.

My most significant recent engagement with Jane Andersen was in 2012, after I had established my own firm in Berkeley, Kevin Donahue Structural Engineers (now Verdant Structural Engineers). One of my professional interests over the years has been the testing and development of strawbale building technology, an alternative, "green" building method, that serves as a sustainable, low-carbon building alternative to conventional building methods. In the early 2000s I was involved in the Ecological Building Network (San Rafael) Straw Bale Construction Testing and Research Program, and served as team leader for small scale plaster testing and "out-of-plane" full-scale wall testing. As a result of the testing, and as a member of the authorship team of "Design of Straw Bale Buildings" (Bruce King et al, 2006), a group of strawbale construction experts endeavored to promulgate strawbale codes and standards into the 2007 California Building Code. After this effort failed, we were redirected to work with the national codes, published by the International Code Council (ICC) headquartered in Washington, D.C. In 2012, an ad hoc task force of structural engineers and architects was formed to introduce a strawbale construction chapter to the 2015 International Building Code (IBC) and International Residential Code (IRC), both published by the ICC. Jane Andersen was invited to join our task force, both because of her ability to quickly understand the engineering properties of the material, but also to help respond to the structural code review from SEAOC, and to interact with SEAOC members engaged with the review process. Because of her past association with SEAOC, Jane was uniquely suited to mediate between the task force and SEAOC reviewers, and bridge the divide between the groups and marshal the effort forward. The ultimate result of the project, with Jane's invaluable assistance, was that the improved and refined code was adopted as an appendix into the 2015 International Residential Code (IRC) and the 2016 California Residential Code (CRC), and the adopted appendix was improved and expanded in the 2018 IRC and 2019 CRC, which will go into force in California January 2020.

In all of these cited interactions with Jane Andersen, as well as other interactions not cited, Jane possesses an unusual combination of ability to assemble and assess facts and details, and prioritize and synthesize these facts and details into plans of action, navigating and mediating disparate groups and large institutions, and ultimately finding resolution incorporating the concerns of all interested

parties. In this regard, I believe Jane Andersen is perfectly suited, with her unique set of skills and aptitudes, to serve with distinction on the 2020 California Citizens Redistricting Commission, in its citizen-mandated pursuit of fair and equitable voting districts for the State of California.

Thank you for the consideration of my letter, and thank you for your consideration of Jane Andersen as a member of this vital state commission.

Very truly yours,

Kevin Donahue, S.E.
CA Structural License #4071
Principal

Letter of Recommendation #2, submitted by Sue Britson

How Submitter Knows Applicant: as the parent of children who attended our preschool

Letter of Recommendation:

To the Applicant Review Panel,
California State Auditor's Office

Recommendation letter to the 2020 Citizens Redistricting Commission for: Jane Andersen, Berkeley, CA

Application identification number: 20496

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter of recommendation in support of the application of Jane Andersen (Berkeley) to be considered for a place on the 2020 Citizens Redistricting Commission. I have known Jane in two different capacities since 1998, when her three children began attending our preschool program, Step One School, in Berkeley, and we have stayed in communication on a variety of topics over the intervening years. Step One School is a private, nonprofit preschool and child care program serving several communities in the East Bay area of the San Francisco Bay Area. The school operates year round and serves annually 115 families with children between the ages of 2 and 6.

I first got to know Jane as a parent at our preschool. Jane has been a stellar parent to her children, and she was a supportive and interested parent at our school. As she became more involved, she wanted to help the school grow and accomplish its goals. Jane likes to be helpful, and her personality is positive and upbeat. She was supportive of the teachers, children, parents, the administration - everyone -- in action and word. Jane is friendly and outgoing. She opens up to people in conversation and is good at helping others relax and converse. Whenever we bump into each other around town, our exchanges are interesting and laced with humor. She is precise in her language, always working to be clear in her messaging.

Jane's personal qualities would be important in working on the Commission. She is a good listener (listens intently and respectfully) and seeks out opinions when working in a group. She is aware of voices that might be underrepresented and will lift them up. This is the kind of person we citizens want to see working on this Commission with constituent groups.

It was through her expertise as a structural/civil engineer that I learned more about Jane's expanded breadth of talents and skills. Circa 2000, Step One School's Board of Directors made a decision to convert some hilly school property into a useable outdoor classroom environment. Jane's background as a structural/civil engineer and her willingness to donate all her time on the project were the two essential components we needed in place in order to give a green light to this important endeavor.

Jane essentially had dual roles of engineer and project manager, as a volunteer, during this project that spanned 18 months. She worked diligently with the contractor to resolve problems related to drainage, retaining walls, soil composition and the like. She had to interface and work out all manner of problems with both the contractor and subcontractors. Besides her analytical skills, which were needed on a daily basis, she had to find compromises between the school's vision, the contractor's design, and the realities of our site. I saw firsthand her ability to look at the issues from all perspectives, make tough decisions, and defend the scientific or mathematical reasoning behind them. She was an ace at this, and I found myself grateful, over and over, at her skill in listening and negotiation while being firm about aspects of the project that could not be modified. Again, Jane's abilities to compromise, discuss matters objectively, and bring people together with workable decisions are qualities that will be much needed by all the Commissioners working on redistricting.

On the subject of impartiality, this is another easily tapped strength of Jane's. She is a fact finder who doesn't hesitate to challenge commonly held beliefs in order to get at the truth of the matter. At the same time, she listens and compromises when the situation calls for it. During our hillside construction project, Jane at times needed to challenge our assumptions and our desires in order to achieve a sound result. The client didn't always get what she wanted if it conflicted with knowledge that the choice would carry untenable risks. She was objective throughout, and could change her opinion in the face of new reliable information. Jane's

background in math and science is an indicator that she wants to see and hear the 'data' along with the opinions and desires, and it's a strong factor in her decision making both professionally and personally. Jane knows how to manage complexity, and I believe she would thrive in the environment of the commission's work.

It's important to address Jane's community involvement and her relationship to the diverse community of the Bay Area that we inhabit. Jane's admirable personal qualities mentioned above -- her outgoing friendliness, openness, objectivity, fairness, and positivity -- are all evident in her relationships and communication with new people that she meets and works with. She respects and honors difference in her day to day interactions, and will go above and beyond in order to be fair; e.g., in hiring subcontractors for our construction project, she was open to and sought out women and minorities who could do a good job. Jane is absolutely comfortable among a diverse group of people.

Jane is a strong person who knows herself and is interested in the perspective of others. She is curious and never hesitates to learn something new in the area of cultural and ethnic awareness, or LGBTQ rights and understandings. I know that children are able to learn this anti-bias approach as early as preschool, and at our preschool we work with children and parents to appreciate the constellation of unique individuals in our school community (our preschool includes 45% multi-racial families and families of color, as well as LGBTQ families). I have seen that Jane's family embraces these values and lives them in their personal lives.

Jane's actions personally also show her commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion. She and her husband chose schools for her children that not only embrace diversity but have strong programs and extensive curriculum that help children learn to challenge bias, in all its forms, and be allies to marginalized individuals and groups. These schools have strong parent programs to support this crucial work in our society, and Jane participated wholeheartedly in these kinds of programs. She understands and embraces her responsibilities -- through dialogue, action, and commitment -- as a long standing citizen in a widely diverse community.

I give Jane Andersen my highest recommendation to serve on the 2020 Citizens Redistricting Commission. I see that she possesses the rare combination of skills, traits, and talents you are seeking. She has the unique combination of 'people skills' and analytic skills that this group requires to be successful. Jane listens carefully to people and brings out their opinions, and is well received by others through her friendliness, openness, and intelligence. She will grasp the information and approach needed quickly and will faithfully carry out her duties. I believe she is one of your applicants whom you'd be proud to have serving the Commission and the entire electorate of California. Thank you for your good work.

Sincerely,
Sue Britson, Executive Director
Step One School
[Redacted]
Berkeley, CA 94708

Letter of Recommendation #3, submitted by Vangeria Harvey

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Head-Royce Parent's Association

Letter of Recommendation:

Dear Members of the Applicant Review Panel:

It is with great pleasure that I write this recommendation for Jane Andersen to support her application for the 2020 Citizens Redistricting Commission. Jane Andersen has a strong passion for making a difference in her community and being a voice of reason and discernment. I have personally experienced Jane's character and commitment as we have worked as active parent volunteers at the Head-Royce School for the past 15 years. Jane is an involved and influential parent in the Head-Royce School community. Over the years, we have worked together to effectuate change, primarily in the area of inclusivity and equity, for the parent and student body. I strongly believe her work ethic, analytical skills, and strong commitment to diversity will make her a tremendous asset on this Commission.

Jane has a deep passion for diversity and inclusivity. Among her many achievements and accomplishments, Jane successfully led the charge for a variety of religious celebrations to be implemented into classroom activities. As a parent volunteer, she encouraged the learning of religions and cultures other than her own and participated in the class activities as well as leading cultural activities from her own background. Jane started the standard, and this practice continues today. Most importantly, this developed the foundation of families, not just the students, learning and sharing. Jane's ability to bring together parents of various backgrounds and beliefs was impeccable. She has a keen sense of awareness of different people's positions. She listens attentively and is able to synthesize the information and share it with a larger group to bring people of different mindsets together.

She works very well with others. She has mastered the ability to collaborate and to receive and be open to different viewpoints and perspectives. She values the importance of community and has worked to develop community among the Head-Royce parents. She ensures that all voices are heard. She enjoys meeting people and creating community. She values the varying perspectives of parents and encourages the involvement of everyone. She has a phenomenal ability to bring people together and tackle difficult issues at the same time. Jane displayed this skill in the creation of anti-bullying curriculum at the school. After bullying incidents kept occurring in

the classroom, during physical education and at lunch, Jane led the charge to not only stop these particular situations but had the Lower School administration have all the teachers re-trained in "anti-bullying". This spread to all of the school divisions and later became a standard in classes.

She is a vital resource and advocate for many of the efforts to diversify our student body and parent community. When teachers wanted to introduce a lesson plan on different family units, Jane was one of the leaders to not only get age-appropriate, all-inclusive (LGBTQ, mixed race/religion, guardians, adopted, parents in prison, etc.) materials into the lessons, but made them become mandatory, not optional. This work on the family unit issue instituted the beginning of a Diversity Committee, and Jane was actively involved in the early stages and development of this committee that became the cornerstone of discussions about inclusivity at Head-Royce.

As a member of the Parents' Association, I have found Jane to be a thoughtful, motivated and engaged parent who masters the ability to make fair and unbiased decisions. She actively participates in discussion and often has the calming voice of reason and explains issues and concepts in a manner that unifies the audience. She has an independence of thought; yet, she asks questions to cause deeper thought and reflection. Jane recognized that many families were sharing that their students had learning differences. She was an early member of the Learning Differences Network when most teachers thought this concept was an excuse for students who could not handle the academic rigor. Jane tirelessly worked to find allies among families and, more importantly, teachers. She gathered data about the benefits of different teaching methods and the manner in which she shared this vital information transformed perspective and thought on learning differences. Today, this college preparatory school openly accepts, acknowledges and accommodates students with learning differences.

Jane exhibits great analytical and problem-solving skills which I know come from her professional expertise as an engineer. She finds resolution to areas of conflict quickly and thinks quickly and critically. She exhibits the qualities of a leader that are an asset to every issue she addresses and organization she is involved. She has been instrumental in change and a sounding board for the Head-Royce music and theater programs. She promoted and supported the Lower School band through its possible closure and served as a rational and thoughtful perspective in the band's revitalization. She knows how to address problems and communicate clearly with families and the professional community. During the Middle School band restructure and Upper School music department changes, she demonstrated her ability to tackle hard problems and strong communication skills as she engendered parent involvement on these issues and sparked administration discussions to make sure the decisions on the music program included all the history and information to move the program toward the future.

Jane impresses me as a person who seeks new experiences and follows her passion for making communities better and more inclusive for all. She is well-respected in our parent community and sought out for her opinions as she is reasoned and balanced in her approach to issues. She keeps a group on task by reviewing goals and keeping the priorities of the group at the forefront. When an impasse occurs, she effectively offers alternative solutions. She interacts very well with others and has a unifying capability unlike any other. She has a warm personality and sense of humor that lightens the room and any environment she is in.

Overall, Jane exhibits the appreciation for diversity, impartiality and analytical skills that lead toward effectuating positive and impactful change. I have seen this in action as Jane has excelled in making changes in our Head-Royce parent and school community. She is intelligent, well-rounded and balanced individual who challenges herself and actively seeks new opportunities and experiences. She has the perspective and mindset to work to achieve success. She always maintains a positive attitude and a commitment to make a difference for everyone. She is committed to her community. She exudes confidence and has an open and friendly personality that allows her to get along with others very well in any setting. I admire her for her intelligence, sincerity, honesty and integrity, and I am impressed by her desire and effectiveness in making an impact on any issue she addresses. Jane Andersen would truly be a superior addition to the 2020 Citizens Redistricting Commission, and I highly and enthusiastically recommend her.

Public Comments

[Submit Public Comment for this Applicant](#)

Comment 3450, submitted by Lan Shaw

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Parents volunteer

Submitted On: 04/21/2020

Comment:

I met Jane Andersen in fall of 2009 at the Kindergarten Class in Head Royce School. Over the last 10 years, I got to know Jane through parents volunteer, carpool, playdate, etc. I am an immigrant without any education background in the US. It's been quite a learning process navigating through the school system. Jane has been involved in the school community for a long time. She has been my go person for advise on school, education and parenting related issues and questions. Jane is kind, patient, non-judgmental, impartial, and fair. Jane always makes me feel comfortable asking or discussing any questions openly. She always shares

her views and experiences without any reservation. Jane loves the community. She always reaches out to the parents and the school to offer help. You can always count on her. Jane is dependable and impactful; humble and well-rounded; intelligent and diligent; sincere and effective. I trust that Jane's appreciation for diversity, impartiality and analytical skills will make her a great addition to the 2020 Citizens Redistricting Commission.

Comment 3461, submitted by Yumi Yuan

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Friend

Submitted On: 04/22/2020

Comment:

As a recently naturalized US citizen who has lived in the San Francisco Bay Area since 1966 and someone who has had the privilege of being her friend for over 20 years, I enthusiastically support Jane Anderson to serve on the 2020 Citizens Redistricting Commission.

In the late 90's, Jane and I became fellow parents at Step One School, a Berkeley pre-school that is known for celebrating diversity and inclusivity. Over the years, Jane and I volunteered in different capacities to support the school. Over and over again, I saw Jane generously volunteer her time and expertise to help and improve the school community for the children and families. No matter the project, her ability to unify people of different backgrounds and opinions and coalesce their varied ideas into one has always helped to pave our way to a successful outcome.

I only have a single vote and I realize that my vote can be easily manipulated or negated unless the districts accurately reflect the views and demographics of the community we live in. I am hopeful that the Redistricting Commission can attain this goal, but it can only be as efficient and fair as the people of which it is comprised. After witnessing Jane's incredible commitment to social justice, diversity, and inclusivity throughout the years, I can say with full confidence that Jane Anderson is the right person to serve on this Commission.

If Jane Andersen were a member of the commission, I would feel confident that my one vote would count.

Comment 3462, submitted by Allen Cain, Executive Director - SAA

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Jane Andersen has worked with the Solano Avenue Association for ten-plus years

Submitted On: 04/22/2020

Comment:

We are the Solano Avenue Merchant's Association, a non-profit organization founded in 1974 with over 200 members comprised of professionals, restaurateurs, retailers, organizations, and individuals located within the mile-long Solano Avenue commercial district in Albany and Berkeley, California.

We are best known for a street festival - The "Solano Avenue Stroll" (northern California's largest single day street festival). This event is produced in conjunction with the Cities of Albany and Berkeley (as well as corporate and private sponsorships) and draws a crowd of over 200,000 people every second Sunday in September.

In addition to the Solano Avenue Stroll, the Association produces three other community events which are family oriented, free neighborhood events on Solano Avenue that revolve around Halloween; Winter Activities throughout December and a "Lunar New Year" event on Super-Bowl Sunday in February.

In addition to our annual community events, we are a fully functioning merchants association with far-reaching responsibilities that address the needs of Solano Avenue businesses and their day-to-day operations.

I highly recommend applicant Jane Andersen as a Member of the Citizens Redistricting Commission. Jane has been a volunteer for our organization since 2007 and has participated in the planning, production, and the post-production administration that follows one of our annual events: the Solano Avenue Stroll (SAS).

It continues to be pleasurable working with Jane. She has a pleasant demeanor and positive attitude. Jane has been instrumental in the production of this large scale festival where over 500 vendors participate and the crowd reaches 200,000. At the SAS, she confidently works with an extremely diverse group of vendors and festival guests... as well as other staff - she functions seamlessly when part of a team.

Set-up is the most stressful time for any event. Jane has to ensure that the production of the event remains on-schedule and on-track. Jane understands the various facets of working with individuals who have varying backgrounds; and that communication is key. Our events draw large crowds and working in a high-stress environment while making on-the-spot decisions are where Jane Andersen excels.

The top four blocks of the street must complete their setup first as the parade starts there. This year Jane gathered a small crew and, the night before the event, chalked out all the spaces in the four blocks, facilitating a faster and smoother setup. She eagerly listens to everyone; gathering their needs and getting the job done while making people happy are qualities (in part) that will make Jane Andersen a great commissioner.

Please contact us if you require additional information or have questions relating to specific responsibilities.

We are a non-profit 501(C-6) organization.

Files

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