



2020 Citizens Redistricting Commission | APPLICATION

Application for Peter Garcia Blando

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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*:

Peter

Middle name:

Garcia

Last Name*:

Blando

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

Physical Address

City*:

West Sacramento

State (if temporarily residing outside of California):

CA

Zip/Postal Code*:

95691

County:

Yolo

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*: PB

Submitted At: 07/04/2019 11:55:17PM

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*:

I have always sought to serve the community, state, and country I live in. This commission seems to be ideally suited for me, bringing together my life-long interest to serve the larger community with my professional skills and experience especially suited for this commission. I believe in Democracy and the need to ensure participation and engagement. Creating fair voting districts is critical in maximizing participation and keeping citizens engaged.

The commission's work is critical in ensuring that the state's citizens are properly represented, with those in elected office representing the geographical, ideological, cultural, and economic diversity. Appropriate representation is critical in ensuring that laws and policies are inclusive, understanding both negative and positive impacts on the citizens. California's many voices, originating from every corner of the state and every ideological and cultural origins should be heard when making new laws. Only then can there be a recognition of the validity of the democratic process.

Serving on the commission is important to me personally as a way to give back and help, as I have in many other instances, enrich the debate and properly identify the issues, bringing my unique perspective. While others may march in protest, participate in election campaigns, and even run for office, I believe my best fit is to serve in a commission that focuses on information to help solve problems.

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*:

Impartiality is an ability to first recognize any assumptions and biases built by a lifetime of experiences and influences. From people we lived with and interacted with, including those we all friends, to the more distance and less personal media (TV shows, books, social media) input, each contribute daily to shaping the lens by which we see the world. Impartiality is an ability to occasionally remove that lens. To be impartial means to be honest with yourself and understand that you do have preferences, preconceived notions, assumptions, tendencies, and bias in order to make sure that you can be fair. In sports analogy, it is the ability to cheer for outstanding plays regardless of which team it benefited.

To apply impartiality is to look at information passionately to understand the truth. In the function of the commissioner, it is also the ability to "switch sides" and empathize or step inside the shoes of others who differ from who you are so you are able to understand their concerns deeply and honestly and tell how their story fits within the narrative of the whole.

I have learned this throughout life, first serving as a news reporter in my college newspaper, The Aggie. I learned the need to gather information on all sides, not stopping at just one part of the story, and actively reaching out to find as many sources to get the whole story. I learned to ask questions to draw out what others thought was important and not what I thought was important. One example I remember well was having to tell the story of an animal rights group who vandalized university property. I told their story so others understood their perspective despite my opinions as to their philosophy and tactics.

Later, as a young supervisor, I learned this in evaluating all applicants to a job and addressing conflicts between employees. In both, I not only looked at information on paper but I also listened closely and asked questions to get information, always keeping in check any "gut feelings" or assumptions I may have had at the outcome.

On notable committees I served, the most recent being the UC Davis Police Accountability Board, impartiality was essential not only in deliberation but in the ability to ask fair questions. This work is confidential so I cannot share specifics but I believe the outcome of my personal contribution was significant as I was elected by a diverse board made up of faculty, students, and staff to serve as the board's chair for 2017-18.

One of the most public committees I worked on was the UC Cruz Reynoso Task Force, also known as the Pepper Spray Committee. I served on the committee to help the process, even though doing so and the result may not help my career. While I had a perspective and initial opinion of the events as both an employee and as an alum, I kept it all in check and was capable to fairly engage in the deliberation and the findings.

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 am thankful that my history in California is broad and helped me understand what makes California unique.

At UC Davis, I worked on many projects involving numerous individuals from many cultural, ethnic, and economic backgrounds. My own volunteer work led to receiving a Diversity and Principles of Community Achievement Award in 2011, an award given for my efforts to create a community. I received the award in working with the administration to improve communications to employees who were not proficient in the English language as well as those who did not have access to computers because of their jobs. I am also honored as a co-signer of the UC Davis Principles of Community, a document that recognizes the diversity of the university and lends its respect for that community.

As the UC Davis delegate to the Council of UC Staff Assemblies from 2008-2011, I traveled to other University of California campuses. I learned what people felt were important and how each geographic area, from rural Davis and Merced to coastal Santa Barbara and San Diego, to urban campuses of Berkeley and LA, lived and how each differed. I worked closely with colleagues from across the state on various subcommittees that identified common issues and problems shared by all UC campuses.

In 2006, I was selected to serve on the Rotary Group Student Exchange. As part of that, I had to engage and learn enough about the broad Sacramento region's various communities from Yuba City to the north and Walnut Grove to the south. West Sacramento in the west to Folsom in the east and everything in between. I attended many of Rotary Club meetings, sharing a meal and talking to their members and learning about their communities. I had to learn enough about each community to present and talk about them on the exchange program with Sweden. This was an opportunity to know some of the smaller towns as well as Sacramento itself and the diversity of the Rotary membership.

My own personal history helped me understand the variety of people and places in the state. I lived in Orland, a very rural agrarian community. I lived in San Francisco, the epitome of a coastal California city. I lived in Vacaville, Davis, and now in West Sacramento, experiencing and getting to know people in suburban towns as well as a college town. I was immersed in these environments and not just passively living in each. I played little league baseball and spent many hours with my friends doing what kids do in rural California. In San Francisco, I experienced the freedom of public transportation and had a varied set of friends from various ethnic backgrounds and living in different areas of San Francisco that represented varying economic classes. Living in Davis may have been the most extreme as I had the opportunity to live with foreign exchange students, liberal minded students and conservative students, including the president of the Davis College Republicans during the end of my college career.

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*:

I am a trained engineer and have an MBA. In my past experience I have served as an IT operations manager, business manager/financial analyst, and now as a business systems analyst working in the cybersecurity arena. Each of these heavily relies on analytical skills to understand the environment, identify problems and opportunities, and find solutions.

Currently, I serve as a business systems analyst working for the UC Davis Information Security Office. Part of my work is to identify various sources of data, combine them, and analyze the data to identify vulnerabilities to cyber-attacks. This work includes mentoring a student data scientist to cull the data, interpret it, and develop models that can help the university understand its risks to an attack and apply resources efficiently.

Previously, I served as a business officer, reviewing financial transactions and helping to develop very accurate budgets. This included refining a multi-million-dollar budget for a telecommunications services for the entire campus and coming up with an annual budget that was within less than one percent of actual. I am proud to say I was able to review historical information and adjust based on feedback from various managers supporting the service to yield what was and I believe still is the most accurate budget model that covered \$13M at the time.

I use my analytical skills on my own personal finance to identify how and where to invest. Many colleagues and friends have recognized my ability to do personal financial analysis and have sought out my input for their own financial plans.

As mentioned earlier, I served on a variety of committees that required not just looking at data but also listening to public input. This includes selection committees for UC Davis Chancellor, Provost, and various deans and vice chancellors. I worked with formal report data and public input that was provided in the UC Davis Police Accountability Board to make recommendations and provide an opinion to the UC Davis Police Department.

My proudest analytical abilities was performed soon after I received my MBA. I designed a survey that was completed by UC Davis staff, to answer not if but how furloughs should be applied. I had suspected that the California State University application, which had one Friday a month as an off day, will not work for UC employees. I gathered the survey responses and presented a summary of the results to the UC Office of the President. I was told UC President Mark Yudof read the summary and influenced the decision that furlough days will be determined by the employee and department, similar to how they determine vacation days. I think this had influenced how the over 200,000 plus employees for UC experienced that difficult time and minimized the impact to teaching and research.

I look forward to using my skills again to help the state of California.

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 at Davis

Course of Study/Major*: Electrical Engineering

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

Number of Years Attended*: 7

Date completed, if any. If not completed, state N/A*: 7/1993

Post-Secondary Education

School Name and Location*: University of California at Davis

Course of Study/Major*: Finance and Technology Management

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

Number of Years Attended*: 3

Date completed, if any. If not completed, state N/A*: 6/2001

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.

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*:

Professional History:

University of California, Davis - Information and Educational Technology
2017 to Current - Business Systems Analyst, assigned to Information Security Office
2009-2017 - Business Services Officer, Office of the Vice Provost
2005-2008 - Business Manager, Communications Resources
1999-2005 - Operations Manager, Classroom Technology Services
1993-1999 - Computer Lab Manager, Classroom Technology Services

UC Berkeley, Lawrence Berkeley Labs - Space Sciences Division
1989, 1990, 1992 (Summer Internships) - Student Engineer

University of California, Davis - The California Aggie
1987-1992 - Science Staff Writer, Campus News Editor, Production Manager, Assistant Business Manager

University of California, Davis - Volunteer Activities, Committees, and Appointments

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

CHAIR - UC Davis Staff Assembly (2008-2011)

VICE CHAIR - UC Davis Staff Assembly (2005-2007)

VICE PRESIDENT of Communications and Information Technology - Associated Students of Management, UC Davis Graduate School of Management (2000-2001)

DELEGATE - Council of UC Staff Assemblies (2008-2011)

COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

UC Davis Police Accountability Board Member - 2016-2018

UC Davis Police Accountability Board Chair - 2017-2018

UC Davis Staff Assembly Chair - Communications Subcommittee - 2015-2017

UC Davis Vice Provost of Global Studies Selection Committee - 2014

UC Davis Reynoso Task Force - 2013

UC Davis Shared Services Development Project Team - Finance - 2011

UC Davis Provost Selection Committee - 2010

UC Davis Chancellor's Selection Committee - 2009

UC Davis Budget Advisory Committee, Self-Supporting Activities Subcommittee - 2009

UC Davis Disabilities Issues Administrative Advisory Committee - 2001-2003

Rotary Club of West Sacramento Centennial

Member - 2008 to Present

Club President - 2009-2010

City of West Sacramento

Alternate Member - Disaster Commission - 2019-present

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:

Former Residence

City/State/Zip*: West Sacramento, CA. 95691

County*: Yolo

From Date* (mm/yyyy): 07/2010

To Date* (mm/yyyy): 01/2014

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*: 2018

Organization*: Rotary Club of West Sacramento Centennial

Location*: West Sacramento, CA

Amount*: \$300

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*: Sibling

Name*: Rita Rasmussen

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

Name*: Herminio Butaran

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.)
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- Served as an elected or appointed member of a political party central committee operating in California.
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- 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

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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*: Reina Sotto

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*: Sibling

Name*: Rosalinda Cayman

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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*: Celestino Cayman

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Yes No

Family Member

Relationship Type*: Sibling

Name*: Bienvenido Blando

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

Name*: Marjorie Nilo Blando

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Family Member

Relationship Type*: Sibling

Name*: Benjamin Blando Jr.

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Family Member

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Name*: Eloisa Blando

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Family Member

Relationship Type*: Sibling

Name*: Rosario Butaran

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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*:

As my history has shown, I try to find ways to help those around me and the greater community. I am a kidney donor and have volunteered for as long as I can remember. I consider it an honor to be able to help and not just receive it. I recognized the many blessings I have to be here and reap the benefits of education, employment, and community.

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 **4974**. 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 (**4974**) 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*: PB

Submitted At: 10/20/2019 11:06:03PM

Amendments

Amendment 861

Submitted On: 01/14/2020

Reason:

I was made aware that I am missing a specific section regarding employment history but have added it in professional history. This amendment is to correct that issue.

Change:

Adding one job history

Employment History

From*(required): 03/06/2017

To*(required): 01/14/2020

Employer Name*(required): University of California Davis

Title/Job Classification (Include Range or Level, if applicable)*(required): Business Systems Analyst

Total Worked (Years/Months)*(required): 2/10

Description of Duties Performed**(required):

-Lead analysis and re-engineering sessions, devising and asking targeted questions designed to elicit specific relevant information from area subject matter experts.
-Develop business and system requirements using industry standards methodologies/templates like Data Flow Diagrams, Use Cases, and User Stories.

Amendment 862

Submitted On: 01/14/2020

Reason:

I was made aware that I am missing a specific section regarding employment history but have added it in professional history. This amendment is to correct that issue.

Change:

Adding new job history

Employment History

From*(required): 01/01/2009

To*(required): 03/05/2017

Employer Name*(required): University of California Davis

Title/Job Classification (Include Range or Level, if applicable)*(required): Business Services Officer/Management & Senior Professional 1

Total Worked (Years/Months)*(required): 8/2

Description of Duties Performed**(required):

Provided a leadership role for business support functions to five departments within the Information and Educational Technology unit. This includes overseeing operations for procurement and invoice payment, facilities management, equipment management, storehouse operations, safety coordination, and travel reimbursement

Amendment 863

Submitted On: 01/14/2020

Reason:

Adding additional work history

Change:

Added one employment history

Employment History

From*(required): 05/01/2005

To*(required): 12/31/2008

Employer Name*(required): University of California Davis

Title/Job Classification (Include Range or Level, if applicable)*(required): Business Services Manager/Management & Senior Professional 1

Total Worked (Years/Months)*(required): 2/7

Description of Duties Performed**(required):

Served as the financial officer for a central telecommunications organizations, developing budgets and recharge rates. Provided leadership to administrative and technical support services to the Department of Communications Resources. Services included technology services such as application support and QA/QC

Letters of Recommendation

Letter of Recommendation #1, submitted by Beverly Sandeen

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Through our work together, membership in a service organization, and as neighbors

Letter of Recommendation:

Dear the 2020 Citizens Redistricting Commission Applicant Review Board:

My name is Beverly Sandeen and I currently serve as a member of the West Sacramento City council. My primary career has been in higher education and I worked as the Vice Chancellor of University Relations at UC Davis from 2005 to 2012. I am also a current member of the Rotary Club of West Sacramento Centennial, becoming a member in 2011. It is in these two latter roles that I know of and have been aware of commission applicant Peter Blando's work and accomplishments. I have known him since 2008 when he became the UC Davis Staff Assembly chair. I feel he is a strong candidate to serve on this important commission.

I first became aware of Peter's leadership while he served as the Staff Assembly chair during my time as a vice chancellor. The Staff Assembly is a campus recognized constituent group that serves as a sounding board to inform leaders and members of the campus community about the staff perspective, needs and aspirations. UC Davis staff members are a very diverse group representing many professions, ages, ethnic and cultural backgrounds, life experiences, and socio-economic conditions. As chair, Peter was able to listen to his constituency and relay the most critical issues to the campus leadership, providing a unified voice that captured the perspectives and concerns of this diverse staff. He was very well-regarded for his ability to be open to input yet analytic and fair. He made sure that staff members were heard, recognized and appreciated.

One example of this was in 2009 when all the UC campuses were facing significant budget shortfalls and one method to address it was to require mandatory furloughs. Peter created and distributed a survey for all staff to complete to solicit input not on if furloughs should be applied but how furloughs might be applied with the least impact on staff. He compiled the results, completed by over 5,000 staff and provided not just the numbers but the comments to the university. The report made it to the UC Office of the President, which influenced the resulting decision on furloughs based on Peter's thoughtful and well-researched work. Instead of having furloughs applied as a specific set day such as the California State University had done, the time it was applied was a choice to be determined by each individual with their supervisor. This solution not only made it more manageable for the University to continue to operate but also provided some control for each staff member on when they would take their furlough days.

I also know Peter as a fellow Rotarian and West Sacramentan. I had joined Rotary soon after Peter had completed his award-winning term as club president. Peter is well respected in the club, having led the group through numerous efforts to help the West Sacramento community. This service was recognized by the larger Rotary 5180 District by rewarding our club with the Small Club of the Year award for all its work under Peter's leadership in 2009-2010. For a small club, the group addressed a diverse group of community needs from helping seniors to supporting the local teen center and even working with the local high school, River City. His legacy continues to this day as his signature project was the high school's urban gardens, a collaboration between our club, the high school, the UC Master Gardner Program, and local businesses. The urban garden was completed in 2009 and has helped provide a mechanism for teachers to involve their students in not only gardening but also the business of growing and selling food.

One thing that amazes me the most about Peter is his capacity to work on many projects and issues simultaneously. He served as Staff Assembly chair and Rotary Club president at the same time and, to me, this revealed his selfless commitment to the community where he works and lives. He is incredibly creative and hard-working. He is a thoughtful leader. He is sought out by our Rotary Club as THE expert on data security, social media, and computing.

I strongly recommend the applicant review board consider Peter's application to serve on the Citizens Redistricting Commission. He has shown he is able to represent and understand large and diverse communities. He has worked with both tangible data as well as differing perspectives to help solve problems and tackle difficult situations. I believe these are the exact qualities your group is seeking for members of the commission.

Kind regards,
Beverly "Babs" Sandeen, PhD

Letter of Recommendation #2, submitted by Shelby M. Gatlin

How Submitter Knows Applicant: 25 years

Letter of Recommendation:

Dear Selection Committee:

I submit this recommendation on behalf of Peter Blando. Mr. Blando is an ideal candidate for the Commission given his professional experience, personal ethics, and dedication to community service. Furthermore, Peter is in the unique position to bring skilled leadership and his deep respect for diversity and inclusion to the Commission.

I have known Peter for approximately twenty-five years. I am a member in good standing with the California Bar, graduating Order of the Coif from McGeorge Law School, and serve as the Chief Operations Officer of CalCERTS, Inc., California's largest and most prominent HERS Provider. Given my professional background, I am often required to gage the qualifications and character of folks who work for and with me. I am able to assess a person's abilities critically and I provide this recommendation in good faith.

I initially met Peter when I worked under him as his assistant at the University of California at Davis. Peter seamlessly managed a large team of students, career university staffers, and IT professionals. This workforce was not only diverse in education and experiences, but they were culturally and socioeconomically diverse. The employees reflected the diversity of the campus, but more so, the international composition of the information technology program. Peter was a fair and generous boss who invested in me and all members of our team. He was an advocate for his team, encouraging everyone to seek opportunities, to grow and develop their work experience.

Peter also worked seamlessly with the UCD Faculty. This group of individuals was wildly demanding and Peter was able to handle their requests and mandates with subtle sophistication. Peter's ability to analyze the various requests and apply impartiality among the requests, earned him the trust of his team but also the respect of the faculty. As a result, Peter was asked to serve on many additional teams and advisory positions to include working for the Chancellor, and separately for the UC President's Committee.

After I left my position with UCD, Peter and I remained friends and colleagues. I have remained in contact with Peter as I developed my own career. By his nature, Peter is a very thoughtful and contemplative individual. He is openminded and a patient listener. Peter's professional experience required him to hone the skills of cooperation and collaboration, and he uses these skills flawlessly. His success within the UCD system is a testament to his ability to serve the needs of the University aside from his particular needs, or that of a particular department. His practiced impartiality will be a benefit to the Commission.

Peter holds himself to a high standard. This is easily reflected in his numerous marathon accomplishments, but subtler in his dedication to his family and his community. Peter's family immigrated to the United States when Peter was a child. Peter helped care for his parents throughout their lives and was a dedicated son. He is an organ donor [Redacted]. In addition to his family, Peter dedicates himself to community service, by serving in leadership positions with the local Rotary Club and by volunteering for local boards and oversight organizations.

Peter is a natural problem solver. His intellectual curiosity and desire to understand complex issues inspired him to get his MBA. He understands that the best analysis requires good information, which in turn, requires exceptional listening skills. Peter's kind and unassuming nature facilitates his ability to earn the trust of others which allows him to gain useful information for his analysis. Given Peter's contemplative nature, his friends and colleagues often seek his advice on any number of things from retirement planning to strategic business development.

The Citizens Redistricting Commission needs thoughtful, patient and intelligent Commissioners. Peter embodies all of these traits and would be an excellent addition to the Commission. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions about my recommendation.

Sincerely,
Shelby M. Gatlin, Esq.

Letter of Recommendation #3, submitted by Dewight Fredrick Kramer

How Submitter Knows Applicant: I am his day to day supervisor

Letter of Recommendation:

October 18th, 2019

Dear Committee for the Citizens Redistricting Commission:

My name is Dewight Fredrick Kramer and I am an Assistant Chief Information Security Officer for the University of California, Davis. I have known Peter Blando for 5 years, and have been his manager in day-to-day activities for just over two years. I am more than pleased to have the opportunity to recommend Peter Blando for serving on the Citizen's Redistricting Commission. In short, I am impressed by his professionalism, problem solving skills, and admirable personal qualities of community building that he brings to the office.

As a Business Analyst (BA) for the Information Security Office (ISO), Peter constantly demonstrates his exceptional analytical skills and extensive knowledge of best BA practices. In particular, his skill in gathering and comprehending information through a systematic approach when interviewing members of the ISO and other stakeholders to elicit relevant and pertinent information which he then documents, analyzes and refines with tools to produce polished documented processes and procedures within the ISO office.

Peter uses several tools in the process, one such example is his use of Lucid Chart. His in-depth familiarity with the intricacies of Lucid Chart has enabled him to translate undocumented processes into highly detailed charts that are used by the process owners. He then extrapolates the core components to draft executive summary charts. He consistently produces top-quality content that helps document current practices but also is used for Continuous Service Improvement efforts, that are used to raise the maturity of services.

Another skill that he brings to the ISO is his engineer's mindset toward problem solving. In the last two years the ISO has been working on developing information security metrics to help inform different levels of leadership of key and important facts related to their areas and the university as a whole. Peter has been crucial in this process. He has worked with several stakeholders to understand a vision of what the purpose of the metrics are as well as the hands on work of Data Mining, Data Analysis, and Data Modeling.

As an example of these efforts, Peter evaluated several Business Intelligence tools and worked with a small team to decide on one. He then took training and became the resident expert on that tool in order to help manage the Data Science Analyst in our office develop visualizations of the data that are intuitive and practical. Additionally he is the primary individual that aggregates, sanitizes, and normalizes the data before it goes into the Business Intelligence tool. He is in the midst of teaching the Data Science Analyst the current process and will work with them to improve and mature the process.

In addition to Peter's impressive portfolio of professional accomplishments, he has one of the best personalities I have ever had the joy of working with. He is a community oriented and very friendly individual who treats everyone in an amicable and welcoming manner. He proactively promotes comradery and inclusiveness in the office. As such, he was appointed to a team building workgroup for the ISO and has been on that group for the last several months. Moreover, I know over the years that he as both been appointed to and volunteered in many community committees and workgroups, i.e. Staff Assembly and the UC Davis Police Accountability Board, highlighting his community focus.

Due to his highly analytical solution-oriented mindset, his interpersonal skills of engaging and gathering information from a variety of individuals, and his overall community building proclivities, I wholeheartedly recommend Peter for this position. I am confident he will become an invaluable addition to your team. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding his character or past work.

Sincerely,

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Comment 3064, submitted by Brenda L Hensley

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Friend

Submitted On: 12/10/2019

Comment:

I have known Mr. Blando for almost 30 years (since we were in college together). Mr. Blando has a high level of integrity. Mr. Blando is a problem solver and always goes in to every situation with good intentions. Even though Mr. Blando identifies as a different political party than I do (he tends to more conservative and I am more liberal) I have always found him to have open, honest and respectful dialogue. I believe that he will an excellent addition to the commission.

Comment 3082, submitted by John O Spurr

How Submitter Knows Applicant: Co-worker and friend

Submitted On: 12/11/2019

Comment:

I have known Peter Blando for around twenty years. I worked with him closely when we were both staff members at UC Davis in the Information and Educational Technology organization where I was the fiscal officer and he was the business officer. I have retired; however, Peter and I have remained in contact. Peter is a highly intelligent, insightful, and thoughtful person. He's very hard working and he has great integrity. He would bring great ideas to the work of the commission, and he is an excellent problem solver. He is also consistently collegial. For these reasons, I am completely confident that he would be a terrific addition to the commission. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions at all.

- John Spurr

Comment 3389, submitted by Paul Cody

How Submitter Knows Applicant: We have participated in UC Davis Staff Assembly together.

Submitted On: 03/06/2020

Comment:

I have known Peter since 2013 through my participation with UC Davis Staff Assembly. I currently serve as the Chair and have appreciated Peter's participation throughout my time involved. Peter has brought his knowledge, experience, and willingness to ask questions that are relevant to the topic at hand in a way that helps us to think critically about the decisions we are making. He has thoughtfulness in his approach to conversations and willingness to listen to all information to make informed decisions. In all of my interactions with Peter, I have seen a person who takes his responsibilities very seriously and I am certain that he would be an excellent choice for this position on the redistricting commission.

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