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**Staff:** Judy Rupp, Clerk of Council  
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AGENDA ITEM #10  
October 25, 2022  
**Interview**

## **SUBJECT**

Montgomery County Planning Board (MCPB) Temporary Acting Appointments

## **COUNCIL DECISION POINTS & COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

Not applicable.

## **DESCRIPTION/ISSUE**

The Council is seeking to appoint temporary acting members of the Montgomery County Planning Board. On October 12, 2022, the Council accepted the immediate resignations of all then-serving Commissioners of the Montgomery County Planning Board: Chair Casey Anderson, Vice Chair Partap Verma and Commissioners Gerald Cichy, Tina Patterson, and Carol Rubin.

No more than three members of the Planning Board may be from the same political party, and each member must be a resident and registered voter of Montgomery County when appointed. This position can be filled by a Democrat, Republican, a voter who is unaffiliated with a party, or a voter who is a member of another party officially recognized by the Board of Elections.

The Council will separately conduct a formal application process for individuals wishing to be appointed to serve out the terms of the officially vacant seats.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Montgomery County Planning Board plans for livable communities by developing large and small scale plans, providing guidelines for the pattern and pace of future development and preserving historic resources throughout the 323,000-acre county. The Planning Board implements plans through its review of development applications and its subdivision decisions. The Board is also responsible for the development and management of Montgomery County's nationally recognized 36,512-acre park system. The Montgomery County Planning Board, together with the Prince George's County Planning Board, comprise The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

Annual compensation for Board members is currently \$30,000, and the chair currently earns \$227,891.46.

## **SUMMARY OF KEY DISCUSSION POINTS**

Not applicable.

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# **Montgomery County Planning Board**

## **Temporary Acting Candidates**

Raj Barr-Kuma

Cherri Branson

Francoise Carrier

Norman Dreyfuss

Barbara Goldberg Goldman

David Hill

William Kirwin

Vincent Napoleon

Roberto Pinero

Amy Presley

Jeff Zyontz

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

1997 National President of the American Institute of Architects, Dr. Barr brings considerable leadership skills and knowledge of current and future directions in urban planning, sustainability and climate change. Active in design and planning, civic and community volunteer, Raj has initiated and implemented affordable housing and homeless shelters.

A pioneer of the Sustainability movement, Raj has served as Principal in Charge of Planning and Design for 40 years. Project experience includes restaurants, hotels, eco resorts, embassies, medical, religious and office facilities.

## **PRACTICE**

1981- today	Barr-Kumar Architects Engineers PC, Washington DC
1994-1996	KressCox Barr-Kumar Architects, Washington DC
1979-1980	Barrett, Daffin & Carlin Architects Planners, Tallahassee, Florida
1975-1979	Patty Berkebile Nelson Architects / Seligson Associates, Kansas City, MO
1973-1974	Llewellyn-Davies Associates, Architects Planners, London, England
1972-1973	NE Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board / Watkins Gray International, UK
1971-1972	Jon Prescott RIBA, Architects Planners, Hong Kong
1966-1971	Geoffrey Bawa RIBA / Panditaratna & Adithiya RIBA, Architects, Ceylon

## **TEACHING**

2017-2020	Associate Professor, University of the District of Columbia
2007-2012	Professor of Practice, (Assoc. Prof. 2007-09) Catholic University of America
2003-2007	Visiting Professor. Introduced first Sustainability course on CUA campus
2004, 2012	Visiting Design Critic, University of Maryland
1999	Emens Distinguished Visiting Professor, Ball State University
1998/ 84-86	Visiting Professor, Washington-Alexandria Center, Virginia Tech
1986-1994	Associate Professor, Howard University
1979-1985	Tenured Associate Professor, Director Florida Architecture Center, DC
1976-1979	Assistant Professor, Instructor 1975-76, University of Kansas

Numerous presentations at International Professional Symposia, the Oxford Roundtable on Climate Change, and Universities including Harvard, Yale, Princeton, UCLA, London, Oxford, Singapore, Ceylon, Carnegie Mellon, George Washington, USC, NC State, Hawaii

## **EDUCATION**

Doctor of Architecture (Sustainable Design), University of Hawaii, 2003  
Master of Architecture (Urban Design), University of Kansas, 1975  
Graduate Degree in Architecture, University of London, RIBA Part II, 1974  
B. Sc. (Built Environment), University of Ceylon, RIBA Part I, 1971

## **PUBLICATIONS**

*Green Architecture: Strategies for Sustainable Development*, 2003  
*Sustainable Design Strategies*, 2010  
*Fire Water Sound & Motion – Re-thinking Mechanical Systems in Buildings*, 2011  
*Climate Change, Infrastructure & Urban Sustainability*, expected 2023  
Featured in Architectural Record Environmental Design & Construction, Engineering News Record, The Washington Post, Washington Business Journal, Washington Times, Asia Magazine, Washington Home & Design, Northwest Airlines, Green Building Quarterly.

## HONORS & AWARDS

2018	Fellow, Royal Institute of British Architects
2014	International Lifetime Achievement Award, Sustainability and Green Design
2008	International Exceptional Achievement Award, Sustainable Design
1997, 1998	Honorary Fellow: Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, Japan Institute of Architects, Mexican Society of Architects, Sri Lanka Institute of Architects, Philippine Institute of Architects, Pan American Federation of Architects
1996	Expert Testimony, US Senate and US Congress
1995	Fellow, Bahamas Institute of Architects
1997, 1994	Richard Upjohn Fellow, AIA
1997	Citation for Exceptional Service, National AIA
1994	Lambda Alpha International - Honorary Land Economics Society
1993	Fellow, American Institute of Architects
1992	Walter Wagner Fellow, AIA/ACSA
1991	Mayor's Proclamation for DC-HOME Affordable Housing Initiative
1990	County Executive's Certificate of Appreciation, Anne Arundel County, MD
1997/ 94/ 80	International Who's Who/ Who's Who America / Outstanding US Young Men/ Wikipedia Entry

## PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT

1996-1997	National President, American Institute of Architects; Board of Directors, 90-97
1997-Present	Council of Former National Presidents, American Institute of Architects
2010-2016	Board of Trustees, RIBA-USA. Chair, RIBA-USA, Mid-Atlantic Chapter
1997-2000	Board of Directors, National Architectural Accreditation Board; Treasurer
1997-1999	AIA Liaison to Architects Regional Council of Asia
1995-1997	Saving Our Cultural Heritage, US Federal Emergency Management Agency
1995-1997	Inter-professional Council on Environmental Design; Chair 1996
1995-1998	Regent, American Architectural Foundation
1990-1994	National Coordinating Committee, Intern Development Program
1992	Regional Coordinator, ACSA National Convention, Washington DC
1991	National Executive Committee, American Institute of Architecture Students
1991	Examiner, NCARB Architect License Registration Examination
1986-1992	Appointed Member, FIDER, National Interior Design Accrediting Board,
1988-1991	Host Chapter co-Chair, AIA National Convention, Washington DC
1990	President, Washington Chapter AIA; Board of Directors 1983-1995
1984-Present	Chair 2020-present, Advisory Council, Northern Virginia Community Colleges
1978	Organizer, ACSA West-Central Regional Conference, Kansas
1994-1995	The American Planning Association, The Greater Washington Board of Trade
1985-1995	National Trust for Historic Preservation, Construction Specifications Institute
2005-1995	Professional Member, International Interior Design Association (IIDA)
1981-Present	Chartered Architect, Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA)
<b>ARCHITECT</b>	Maryland. District of Columbia, Virginia, Kansas

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

2008-2013	Potomac Preserve HOA, President 2011-13
2007-2010	Our Lady Of Mercy Parish, Potomac, Finance Committee
1993-1997	Washington National Cathedral – Preservation and Building Committees
1995-1997	Member, National Task Force on Emergency Response, FEMA
1990-1996	Chair, Luther Place Shelter for the Homeless, Battered Women & Children
1990-1992	Chair, DC HOME, National Prototype Housing Task Force, Washington DC
1985-1990	Founding Chair, Anne Arundel County Development Design Awards, MD
1985-Present	Sri Lanka Association of DC, President 1990-92, Vice Patron 2017-20

## CHERRI L. BRANSON

### EDUCATION

Emory University School of Law, LL.M.

Indiana University School of Law, J.D.

Vassar College, B.A.

### EXPERIENCE

#### **Director, Office of Procurement, Montgomery County Government, Rockville, Maryland,**

**June 2015 to December 2018.** Lead a Cabinet-level agency responsible for executing \$1 billion in acquisitions annually, manage a staff of 37 employees, and oversee a Departmental budget of \$4.4 million. Represented the Executive Branch before the County Council, other Governmental bodies and constituent groups. As Director of the Office, I implemented strategic sourcing strategies which streamlined procurement operations by building partnerships to incorporate long-range acquisition planning into operational needs; increased transparency in the bid process by instituting a debriefing system for unsuccessful bidders; increased accountability in the contract renewal and amendment process by establishing an online searchable database for Contract Review Committee minutes; streamlined the RFP process, decreasing the length and complexity of forms, resulting in the award of 40% of new contracts to vendors who had never done business with the county; implemented a “short-form” contracting mechanism to reduce grant-to-contract processing time and increased satisfaction of internal customers. Additionally, implemented a policy, process and online system to manage and track disposal of the county’s surplus property. Increased the percentage of contract awards to small, minority, and women owned business to the highest levels in county history by developing new outreach initiatives, establishing an annual county-wide Procurement forum, developing a printed and online “pocket guide” of basic procurement information, and establishing a weekly newsletter with a circulation to over 6,000 businesses.

**Council Member, Montgomery County Council, Rockville, Maryland, January 2014 to December 2014.** Appointed through a competitive process to fill an interim term representing Montgomery County Council District 5, a racially, economically, and geographically diverse district of over 200,000 residents. Served on the Education Committee, the Government Operations and Fiscal Policy Committee, and the Audit Committee.

**Chief Counsel for Oversight, Committee on Homeland Security, Rep. Bennie Thompson, Ranking Member, U.S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., January 2005 to January 2014.** Developed and executed the oversight and investigative agenda of the Committee Minority. As part of a three person management team, worked collaboratively with the Staff Director and Chief Legislative Counsel to formulate and execute the Committee’s long-term strategic objectives. Directly supervised staff members in reviews of fraud, waste, and abuse allegations involving the activities, programs and policies of the Department of Homeland Security. Managed development and execution of all oversight and investigative reports, letters, and other written products. Additionally, served as primary point of contact for all external oversight entities, including the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), the Inspectors General of all Federal agencies, and non-governmental “watchdog” groups and worked with these external entities to develop specific and long-term investigative reports for Committee use. Spearheaded all legislative and policy initiatives for Committee action designed to increase participation of small, minority and women-owned businesses in Federal contracting opportunities as well as initiatives to increase employment diversity within the Federal government. Served as the Democratic staff Ethics

Officer.

**Other Experience:**

**From 1989-2005, I served as Professional Staff, Counsel, or Legislative Director to Member Offices and a Congressional Committee.**

**MEMBERSHIPS AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President, NAACP, Montgomery County Chapter

Member, Vassar Club of Washington

Chair, Montgomery County Policing Advisory Commission

Member, Montgomery County Charter Review Commission, October 2012-January 2014.

Member, Montgomery County Commission



**Professional Experience**

**Bregman, Berbert, Schwartz & Gilday, LLC, Bethesda, Maryland  
Of Counsel, May 2015 – present**

- Advise private and public clients on wide range of land use, zoning and development matters in Montgomery County, Maryland and surrounding jurisdictions.
- Represent property owners and land developers in securing approval for land development including subdivision plans, site plans, variances and conditional uses. Prepare application materials, coordinate communication with government staff, conduct private meetings with decision-makers where legally permitted, represent clients in public meetings before decision-making bodies, take post-approval steps to ensure all necessary permits are acquired.
- Represent landowners in connection with the preparation of master plans. Ensure that their long-term interests are communicated in a timely, persuasive fashion and incorporated in master plan language.
- Advise property owners on land use aspects of real estate transactions and in private agreements related to land use.
- Serve as expert witness in land use litigation.

**Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission, Silver Spring, Maryland  
Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board, June 2010 – August 2014**

- Presided over weekly Planning Board meetings and public hearings on matters as diverse as land development applications throughout Montgomery County, master plans, setting Planning Board policies, zoning text amendments, budget approvals, reviews of government projects, and park plans.
- Leading role in drafting, Planning Board review and presentation to Council of first re-write of County Zoning Code in more than 35 years; succeeded in having new Code adopted.
- Principal representative of Planning Board and Planning/Parks Departments in discussions with County Council members on budget and other legislative items.
- Leading role in Planning Board review and presentation to County Council of nine area master plans plus BRT Master Plan, which sets foundation for first class transit system countywide.
- Oversaw management of Planning and Parks Departments and bi-county administrative services; serve alternately as Chair/Vice-chair of Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission; leadership role on Commission-wide policy issues such as employee benefits, job classifications and compensation.
- Frequent public appearances and speaking engagements representing Planning Board at County, civic, business, planning and parks events.

**Montgomery County Office of Zoning and Administrative Hearings, Rockville, Md.  
Director/Hearing Examiner, Sept. 2001 - June 2010**

- Carried out functions of administrative law judge in land use and human rights cases, presiding over 25-30 trial-type hearings per year and managing pre-hearing procedural matters.
- Prepared detailed reports with recommendations for action by the County Council, Board of Appeals and Human Rights Commission.
- Assisted in County Council review of proposed zoning text amendments.
- Supervised three employees and two contract attorneys, including budgetary and personnel decisions.



**Akin, Gump, Strauss, Hauer & Feld, L.L.P., Washington, D.C.****Senior Counsel, Nov. 2000 - Sept. 2001**

(joined firm when previous firm, Cutler &amp; Stanfield, merged into Akin Gump in November 2000)

- Advised public and private entities in land use, development, aviation and environmental law.
- Created, presented and implemented legislative and economic development strategies for public entities.
- Researched and drafted environmental review documents, legal memoranda, ordinances, public hearing testimony and complex intergovernmental agreements.

**Cutler & Stanfield, L.L.P., Washington, D.C.****Associate, Sept. 1994 - Nov. 2000**

- Established practice carried forward to Akin Gump.

**Step toe & Johnson, L.L.P., Washington, D.C.****Associate, Sept. 1992 - August 1994**

- Research and legal drafting.

**United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia, Richmond, Va.****Law Clerk to the Honorable Robert R. Merhige, Jr., Sr. United States District Judge,****July 1991 - July 1992**

- Researched and drafted court memoranda and Opinions in varied areas of law.
- Attended frequent trials, hearings and in-chamber conferences.

**New York County District Attorney's Office, New York, N.Y.****Paralegal, Special Prosecutions Bureau, August 1987 - July 1988**

- Compiled and organized evidence of real estate and financial fraud.

**Bear, Stearns & Co., Inc., New York, N.Y.****Financial Analyst, Mergers & Acquisitions, July 1985 - June 1987**

- Performed due diligence, developed selling brochures, financial projections and valuations.
- Participated in initial public offerings from inception to conclusion.

**Education****Stanford Law School, Juris Doctor, June 1991**

- Environmental Law Journal, 1989-91
- Organizing Committee, Public Interest Law Conference, 1989
- Guardianship Clinic, East Palo Alto Community Law Project, 1988-89

**Rutgers College, Bachelor of Arts Magna Cum Laude, May 1985**

- Graduated with High Honors in Economics and College Honors
- Phi Beta Kappa Society Membership
- Rutgers University Presidential Scholarship
- John C. Daniel Memorial Award in Economics
- Frank T. Gorman, Jr. Award to Outstanding Honors Student

**Community Involvement**

**Board Member, Communities for Transit** (Montgomery County, MD) 2014 – 2016. Non-profit public transit advocacy group.

**Member, Rapid Transit Task Force** (Montgomery County, MD) 2010-2011 (ex officio) and April-October 2015. Working group appointed by County Executive to recommend course of action on rapid transit system.

**Member, Corridor Advisory Committee for MD 355 South** (Montgomery County, MD) January 2015-Jan 2016. Citizens' advisory committee for implementation of rapid transit line, appointed by County Department of Transportation.

**Member, Montgomery Women** (Montgomery County, MD) 2010-2019. Non-profit organization promoting advancement of women in leadership positions.

**Board Member (ex officio), Montgomery Parks Foundation** (Montgomery County, MD) June 2010 – July 2014. Non-profit fund- raising organization supporting Montgomery County Parks Department.

**Personal**

Registered Democrat and voter in every election since 1981.  
Resident of Montgomery County since 1997.

**Civic Contributions**

- Montgomery County Affordable Housing Task Force
- Montgomery County Task Force for Moderate Priced Rentals
- The Child Care Task Force
- Maryland Governor's Commission on Condominiums, Cooperatives & Homeowner Associations
- Accessory Apartment Task Force
- Aspen Hill Master Plan Citizens Advisory Committee
- Montgomery County Committee for More Efficient Use of Existing Housing Stock
- Wheaton Redevelopment Steering Committee Member
- Design for Life working group member promoting visit-ability and livability of home design
- Past President of the Suburban Maryland Building Industry Association

**Experience****1981 - Present****Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, Executive Committee and Board of Directors — IDI Group Companies**

- Developed Leisure World of Maryland in Silver Spring, the region's largest age-restricted community with 8,000+ residents
- Oversaw development of Leisure World of Virginia, a 2,400 unit active adult community in the prestigious Lansdowne community near Leesburg, VA. Pioneered the largest community of its kind ever to be developed in Virginia.
- Redeveloped The Ambassador Apartments from a former non-performing hotel into 162 affordable housing units.
- Served on the board of the communities IDI developed during the period immediately following a building's completion, guiding the residents through the transition to self-governance.

**Commissioner  
continued**

**2009 - 2019**

**Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission**

**Montgomery County Planning Board Commissioner and Vice Chair**

- Provided master plan, zoning, transportation and planning advice to Montgomery County
- Managed the county's park systems
- Provided regulatory decisions on preliminary plans and site plans.

**2005 - 2010**

**Commissioner, Chair Pro Tem, Housing Opportunities Commission (HOC) Kensington, MD**

- Provided expertise and experience to guide the Housing Opportunities Commission of Montgomery County which owns, manages, finances and develops affordable housing.

**1998 - Present**

**Affordable Housing Conference Rockville, MD  
Co-Chair/Vice Chair Emeritus**

- Brings together Montgomery County financial institutions, community leaders, housing advocates, elected officials, employers and members of the press to address housing affordability issues and articulate innovative solutions to the disparity between work wages and housing costs.
- Awarded \$100,000 in closing cost awards to more than 20 deserving recipients, several of whom were personally funded by Dreyfuss.

**1971 - 1981**

**Carl M. Freeman Associates Potomac, MD  
Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer**

- Community Developer of single-family homes, townhouses, multi-family, resort condominiums and commercial shopping centers.

## Awards and Community Contributions

- **2003** *Milton E. Kettler Award* from the Maryland National Capital Building Industry Association to honor a long history of civic contributions.
- **2008** *American Immigration Law Foundation Public Service Award* in recognition of outstanding contributions to a Nation of Immigrants.
- **2014** *Housing Honor Award* from the Housing Opportunities Commission
- *"Doc" Kapiloff Private Sector Affordable Housing Award* in **1999**
- Honored guest speaker at the Catholic University Graduate School of Architecture, the Montgomery County Historical Society, the Urban Land Institute, and numerous affordable housing conferences and active adult educational seminars.
- Mentor for Eagle Scouts
- Charitable support of the Jewish Social Services Agency, CASA, Salvation Army, Mental Health Association of Montgomery County, University of MD and Leisure World of MD Diabetes Foundation.
- **2016** *Joseph Ottenstein Award* presented by the Jewish Social Service Agency, for excellent community service leadership in the field of "Social Service Human Service".
- **2016** Housing Opportunities Commission *Inspire Award* for inspirational contributions to the community.
- **2017** Montgomery County Business Hall of Fame

## Education

- **BS**, Mechanical Engineering / **BA**, Fine Arts, Rutgers University - 1966
- **Juris Doctor** Washington College of Law, American University - 1971

## BARBARA GOLDBERG GOLDMAN

### Professional Experience

1983-Present	<b>President</b> <b>B&amp;G Regal Domestics, Inc.</b> W Magazine's " <i>Nation's #1 Agency</i> "
2007-Present	<b>Partner</b> <b>Quorum, LLC</b> Consulting and Development Firm specializing in Mixed-Use and Mixed-Income Development to achieve sustainable communities
1979-1981	<b>Special Assistant for Legislation</b> (President Carter Appointee) <b>U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, Community Planning &amp; Development, Assistant Secretary Robert C. Embry</b>
1975-1979	<b>City Representative</b> <b>National Center for Municipal Development</b> <b>U.S. Conference of Mayors/National League of Cities</b> <b>Director, Washington, DC Offices for:</b> San Jose, California, Lincoln, Nebraska, and The Metropolitan Toledo Consortium
1978	<b>Project and Contract Manager, and Author</b> <b>Department of Health, Education &amp; Welfare, U.S. Conference of Mayors</b> Published report on Consumer Protection in Municipalities
1973-1975	<b>Special Assistant (casework, speech writing, social legislation)</b> <b>Representative Barbara C. Jordan (D-Tx.)</b> U.S. House of Representatives
1972-1973	<b>Legislative Aide</b> (Prison Reform Legislation) <b>Representative Ronald V. Dellums (D-Ca.)</b> U.S. House of Representatives

### Volunteer Community Service & Memberships (Past & Present):

- The Affordable Housing Conference of Montgomery County  
Founder (1991), Chair (1991-2002), Co-Chair (2002-Present)
- County Executive Ike Leggett's Montgomery County Task Force on Affordable Housing, Co-Chair
- County Executive Ike Leggett's Transition Team, Affordable Housing Sub-Committee, Co-Chair
- Governor Martin O'Malley's Transition Team, Workforce Housing Task Force
- Governor Robert Erlich's Transition Team's Housing and Economic Development Task Force
- Governor's Commission on Housing Policy/Subcommittee on Community Revitalization
- The Housing Opportunities Commission of Montgomery County, Chair (5 consecutive years); Vice-Chair; Commissioner

- Montgomery County Housing and Community Development Citizens Advisory Committee Chair, Subcommittee on Handicapped and Aging
- Board of Directors, Community Preservation Development Corporation (CPDC)
- Strathmore Hall Arts Foundation
- Leadership Montgomery, Graduate; Class Representative
- Montgomery County Charter Review Commission  
Led successful effort to expand the number of Council Members by creating Councilmanic Districts
- Maryland Art Place, Member of the Board
- Jewish Democratic Council of America (JDCA)  
Co-Founder; Vice Chair; Executive Committee; Chair of Strategic Planning Task Force
- National Jewish Democratic Committee (NJDC)  
Executive Committee; Co-Founder, Co-Chair, and Chair of NJDC's Women's Leadership Network
- American Jewish Committee (Washington, DC Regional)  
Member of the Board, Vice Chair, Co-Chair Immigration Task Force
- Jewish Community Relations Council, Member of the Board
- Maccabi USA/Sports for Israel, Member of the Board
- Jewish Community Center of Greater Washington  
Member of the Board/Executive Committee  
Chair, Sports Hall of Fame Dinner of Champions (5 consecutive years), Inductee Committee, (Throughout my term, I have been Vice President, Secretary, Chairperson of numerous Committees including Cultural Arts, and Sports & Fitness)
- Public Interest Employees Credit Union
- Co-Founder, Maryland Women for Biden/Harris (D-WOMAN)
- Delegate, Biden for President
- Member, 2022 Democratic Platform Committee
- Deputy Treasurer, Maryland Democratic Party, Chair of Code of Conduct Task Force
- Trustee, Maryland Democratic Party
- Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce
- City of Rockville Chamber of Commerce
- Bethesda/Chevy Chase Chamber of Commerce
- Save A Child's Heart, Member of the Board and Co-Chair of the Washington, DC Inaugural Gala
- Biden-Harris White House Interagency Council/Geographic Inequality Task Force
- Biden-Harris White House Housing and Community Development Fair Housing, and Rental Housing subcommittees
- Biden-Harris White House Interagency Fair Housing, Economic Mobility, and Equity Task Force
- Co-Chair, Obama for America's Jewish Community Leadership Committee (2008; 2012)
- Director, Finance Committee, Election and Reelection of County Executive Isiah Leggett
- Treasurer for Council Member, Council Vice President and Council President Roger Berliner during his Tenure on the Montgomery County Council
- Treasurer, Roger Berliner for County Executive
- Co-Chair, Jewish Women for Hillary Maryland & Virginia
- Teacher, after school program at the Elma Lewis School of Fine Arts, Roxbury, Mass.

#### **Recognitions Include:**

- *Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Committee's Humanitarian Award* Recipient (for founding and Co-Chairing the Affordable Housing Conference of Montgomery County, MD)



- HOC Housing Honor Roll
- HOC Awards Resolution
- Maryland House of Delegates Official Citation for Commitment to Affordable Housing
- Jewish Community Center for Greater Washington, *Presidential Award for Distinguished Service*
- National Association of Female Executives
- Who's Who in Female Executives
- Strathmore's Who's Who

## **Education**

Master of Arts, 1975, Urban Studies, University of Maryland  
President of the Urban Studies Graduate Department Student Association; Graduated with Honors

Master of Fine Arts Candidate, 1971-1972, Theater, Catholic University, Helen Hayes  
Scholarship Recipient

Bachelor of Arts, 1971, Emerson College, Drama, English and Communications,  
Cum Laude; Gold Key Honor Society; Dean's List

Published many op-eds on a myriad of subjects. Recent writings include Immigration Reform, Abortion, Gun Safety, Israel and Antisemitism, and many other relevant topics.

## David Hill

Rockville, Maryland  
[REDACTED]

Systems Analyst and Software Engineer, Municipal Commissioner,  
Non-Profit Director, Civic Activist, Coach, Historian, Outdoorsman

### Public Offices or Titles:

#### Municipal

Commissioner, Planning Commission, City of Rockville, 2006 - 2016 [Chair '12, '10]  
City Council candidate, City of Rockville, 2015 municipal election  
Founder, 2010 Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance (APFO) Review Comm., City of Rockville  
Member, 2006 Zoning Ordinance Review (RORZOR) Committee, City of Rockville  
Commissioner, Board of Appeals, City of Rockville, 1997 - 2006 [Chair, '05, '02, '99]  
Member, Asian-Pacific Task Force, City of Rockville, 2004 - 2006  
co-Chair, 2002 Charter Review Commission, City of Rockville  
Member, Rockville Bicycle Advisory Committee, 2001 - 2010

#### Civic

Director (for Communications), Rockville Sister Cities Corp., 2021-present  
Director, Chesapeake Natives Inc., Rosaryville, MD, 2021-present [non-invasive plants, non-profit]  
Filer of State Open Meeting Act Complaint [State Bd. agreed, cited six detailed illegalities], 2019  
President, Peerless Rockville LLC, 2019-20, VP 2017-19, Director: 2004-06, 2016-20  
Director and Info. Officer, John J. Hill Memorial Challenge, 1988 - 2016 [youth employment]  
President, Hungerford Civic Association, 2000 to 2006 [other offices, 1995 - 1999]  
Lead Organizer, Candidate Forums, City of Rockville elections, biannually 1997 - 2007  
Moderator, Candidate Forum, Montgomery County Board of Ed. election, 2004  
Fund Raising Organizer, Richard Montgomery High School, 2013 - 2016  
Coach (off season), Richard Montgomery High School Lacrosse Team, 2012 - 2015  
Coach, Bethesda Lacrosse League, 2008 - 2011, 2016  
Trail Overseer, Potomac Appalachian Trail Club, 1989 - 2001

### Profession:

Senior Systems Analyst, Westat, 1650 Research Blvd., Rockville, MD 20850, [REDACTED],  
[www.westat.com](http://www.westat.com), 1987 - present  
Software Engineer, Diamond Data Systems, West Concord, MA 01742 and Diamond Machine  
Company, River Road, Lewiston, Maine 04240, 1984 - 1987

### Education:

Various continuing professional education courses and certifications  
Planning Commissioner Certification Program, Univ. of Maryland, 2005  
B.A. (with Distinction), History, Colby College, Waterville, Maine, 1984  
Diploma, Friends School, Baltimore, MD, 1980

### Selected Related Municipal Writings:

See webpage for examples of commission and civic authored documents:

<http://www.tigger2.us/hill4rockville/HardWork.htm>

*Report of the 2002 Charter Review Commission, City of Rockville Maryland*, Cahoon, D.; Hill, D.  
*et al*, [as co-Chair of commission, lead author/editor of report] Rockville, MD (December  
2002) <http://www.tigger2.us/hill4rockville/HistoricDocuments/CRCReport02.pdf>

### Background:

Resident of Montgomery County, MD, for thirty-five years; City of Rockville for thirty-two years  
Political party registration: Unaffiliated (always so since first registering to vote in 1980)

Architect and Planner

Redacted Resume

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**William Kirwan, AIA, LEED AP**, Principal, Muse|Kirwan Architects, PC received a Bachelor of Science in Architecture and a Master of Architecture from the University of Maryland with High Honors. After being a student in Stephen Muse's studio in graduate school and being exposed to his thoughtful, context based approach to architecture and urban planning, William joined Muse Architects upon graduation in 1987. In the ensuing years he served as Project Architect and Project Manager for many of the firm's award winning residential and institutional commissions. Following 15 years of employment from Intern to Senior Associate, he was elevated to Principal of the firm in 2003. William has been an adjunct faculty member of the University of Maryland School of Architecture, Planning, and Preservation, and has been a member of the Board of Directors as Director of Design Issues. In 2007 he became an accredited professional with the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design program. In 2009, William was appointed to the Montgomery County Maryland Historic Preservation Commission and served as its Chair from 2014 until stepping down from the Commission in 2019, following 10 years of service. He lives in Silver Spring with his wife and daughter.

## VINCENT J. NAPOLEON

### EXECUTIVE PROFILE

Seasoned C-suite business leader, legal executive, Am Law 100 law firm partner and U.S. Air Force Reserve Colonel (retired) with substantial experience representing global Fortune 100 and 500 companies. Extensive track record as a decisive, unflappable and high-capacity chief legal officer/general counsel of publicly held global companies and as a trusted advisor to CEOs, boards of directors and executive leadership teams.

### Professional Experience

#### Legal and Business Advisory Expertise

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Franchising and Licensing
- Corporate Governance and Board Secretary
- Anti-Trust
- Technology Transactions
- Sarbanes Oxley
- Government Contracts
- Contract Negotiation
- Dispute Resolution and Litigation
- Real Estate
- Cross Border/International Transactions (The Americas, EMEA, Asia, Australia)
- Anti-Corruption and Anti-Bribery
- Foreign Ownership, Control, or Influence (FOCI)
- Project Finance
- Energy supply logistics
- Aerospace and Maritime Manufacturing
- Systems and Software (SaaS) Integration
- Corporate Transactions
- Global Legal Strategy
- Public Private Partnerships
- Litigation—"Bet-The-Company"
- Intellectual Property
- Risk Management/Risk Mitigation
- Securities
- Strategic Planning and Growth
- Ethics, Compliance, and Investigations
- Law Department and Budget Management
- Regulatory Compliance (DOD, EEOC, FAA, FTC, SEC)
- Commercial Transactions
- The Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS)
- Export Control
- Heavy Industries
- Ship/Tanker Construction
- Pharmaceutical and Biotechnology

#### General Counsel

Served as General Counsel and Corporate Secretary:

- Fincantieri Marine Group LLC (US component of an Italian Shipbuilding Company and Systems Integrator)
- Synavant, Inc. (NASDAQ listed) - Pharmaceutical-related company
- Digene Corporation (NASDAQ listed) - Biotechnology Company
- Lockheed Martin Corporation (formerly GE Aerospace) Aerospace Group Business Units

## Industry Affiliations

Provided legal and business advisory support in multiple sectors:

- Aerospace and Maritime Manufacturing
- Biotechnology, Life Sciences and Medical Devices
- Consumer
- Government (Local and Federal)
- Healthcare and Pharmaceutical
- Heavy Industries
- Professional Services
- Technology and Advanced Technology

## Law Firm

Served as a Partner and Counsel for AmLaw 100 firms

- Nixon Peabody, LLP, Partner
  - Member of the Corporate Group
  - Leader of the Government Contracts Group
- Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman, LLP, Counsel
  - Member of the Corporate and Government Contracts Groups

## Additional Legal Experience

- Participated and advised on significant Public Private Partnership issues both domestically and internationally
- Engaged in significant real estate acquisition and leasing transactions
- Led the multimillion P3 development of the international and commuter terminals of PHL
- Led multiple tax increment financing transactions in the development of public infrastructure projects
- Represented companies in developing commercial real estate and property investment strategies
- Principal lawyer in the merger between Price Waterhouse and Coopers & Lybrand to form PwC – the largest global professional services merger
- Liaison with international teams of cross functional stakeholders
- Cross border transactions to provide legal support in more than 100 countries
- Led teams of as many as 150 lawyers, paralegals and administrative support personnel
- Arbitrator/Mediator -- American Arbitration Association and Alterity ADR
- Represented Marquee clients – Avis Budget, GlaxoSmithkline, Elan Pharmaceutical, Reckitt Benckiser, Constellation Brands
- Judicial Clerk for the Honorable Juanita Kidd Stout, Philadelphia Common Pleas Court

## Public Service

- U.S. Air Force, Colonel, Supporting the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Contracting)
- City of Philadelphia, Chair, Corporate Group, Office of the City Solicitor

## Diversity and Inclusion

- Served as a leader on various firm diversity councils and affinity groups
- Developed mentorship/internship and pipeline programs for diverse students
- Member of the GE African American cultural diversity group

## Thought Leadership

- Speaker and Lecturer on Public Private Partnerships (P3s) in Africa
- Author of a book on P3s (*Pan-African Infrastructure Development and Public-Private Partnerships*)
- Author of various articles and notes on P3 and Government Contracting
- Presenter and author on Corporate, cross-border and Government Contracts issues

## Community and Civic Activities

- Board Member, Church Farm School, Exton, PA
- Board Member of Bishop John T. Walker School for Boys, Washington, DC
- Board Member of Senator Chris Van Hollen's Uniformed Service Academy Advisory Board
- Executive Board of Directors, National Capital Area Boy Scout Council, Bethesda, MD
- Member of the Coalition for Equitable Representation in Government 2.0 (CERG 2.0)

## Education

- Georgetown University, Washington, DC
  - McDonough School of Business
  - Recipient of the Dean's Citation
- University of Pittsburgh School of Law, Pittsburgh, PA
  - Contributing Author to the Journal of Law and Commerce

## Bar Admissions

**Bar Membership:** District of Columbia and New Jersey State Bar

**Admissions:** U.S Supreme Court, U.S. Court of Appeals, Federal Circuit, U.S. Court of Federal Claims, U.S. District Court, District of New Jersey, U.S. Court of Appeals, District of Columbia Circuit

**Judicial Clerkship:** The Honorable Justice Juanita Kidd Stout, Court of Common Pleas of Pennsylvania

## Party Affiliation

- Democratic Party

## **ROBERTO R. PIÑERO**

**Silver Spring, Maryland**

### ***PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE***

***Senior Analyst (housing expert)***, Financial Markets and Community Investment, U.S. Government Accountability Office, Washington, DC, March 1997 – September 2016.

- Reviewed and made recommendations regarding HUD's Housing of People with HIV/AIDS
- Reviewed and made recommendations regarding the housing programs administered by HUD and Treasury under the Recovery Act.
- Reviewed and made recommendations on duplication, overlap and fragmentation, by evaluating HUD's Family Self Sufficiency Program, HUD's Community Development Block Grant Program and the consolidation of federal financial literacy programs administered by 15 federal agencies.
- Prepared testimonies on HUD's Section 8 Program.
- Reviewed HUD's Project-Based Section 8 Program and made recommendations to improve the program.
- Reviewed HUD's Use of Excess Funds and Performance Awards which led the agency to implement the awards as required by legislation.
- Reviewed EPA, HUD, and EDA's Brownfield Program and made recommendations on how to streamline the program.
- Reviewed HUD's Section 8 Program, High-Risk and Troubled Public Housing Authorities and recommended actions HUD can take to improve their operations.
- Reviewed the employment discrimination complaint process at HUD and recommended actions HUD can take to address the delays.
- Reviewed the proposed rescissions to FY98 HUD's budget incorporated in a report by the Office of General Counsel to the Congress.

***Analyst***, Resources, Community, and Economic Development Division, U.S. General Accounting Office, Washington, DC, October 1990 - March 1997.

Band Level I

- Worked with congressional staff on audits covering housing and community development issues.
- Planned and participated in three major audits of housing and community development programs at the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation (Freddie Mac) multifamily program, the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) surety bond assistance programs, and the Resolution Trust Corporation (RTC) affordable housing disposition



- program.
- Audits led to major revision in Freddie Mac, SBA and RTC operations and regulations, including the suspension of Freddie Mac's multifamily program.
- Special Commendation Award for detecting financial and management problems at Freddie Mac.

***Special Assistant to the Director***, Office of Management and Budget, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, 1987 - 1990.

- Developed a long-range plan and integrated planning and budget system for the Commonwealth government.
- Represented the Director in meetings with Federal officials, bond underwriters, and national associations.
- Coordinated the budget and management divisions and designed the capital improvements office.
- Liaison with the Governor's Office and the Legislature in the preparation and execution of the budget.
- Supervised outside consultants hired to restructure the budget process.

***Economic Planner***, Governor's Economic Advisory Council, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, 1986 - 1987.

- Directed efforts to design and restructure the budget process of the Commonwealth government.
- Coordinated the budget planning restructuring with outside consultants and the National Association of State Budget Officers (NASBO).
- Successfully advised the Governor's Office on ways to restructure the budgets of the Education Department and the Metropolitan Bus Authority, resulting in improved operations and major savings to the government.

***Director of the Housing Element***, Planning Board, Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, 1975 - 1979.

- Directed the design of a comprehensive housing plan for the island and its municipalities.
- Developed a housing information system and a model for allocating housing funds that was implemented by HUD's Caribbean Office for allocating housing and community development funds.
- Conducted housing market research and rendered various reports to the Legislature on housing cost and finance.
- Supervised a staff of 9 professionals.

## ***OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE***

**Board Member**, Board of Appeals of Montgomery County, February 2022 – Present.  
**Chairman**, Interagency Commission on Homelessness of Montgomery County, November 2018-2019  
**Housing Commissioner**, Housing Opportunities Commission of Montgomery County, September 2003-.2015. Chairman of the Commission between 2011 and 2015..  
**Member of the Board of Directors**, Town Center Apartments of Rockville, Maryland (a senior low-income development), January 2004-2015.  
**Member of the Budget Review Committee**, Montgomery County Public Schools, 1995-1997.  
**Member of the Commission on Children and Youth**, Montgomery County, Maryland, 1995-1997.  
**Member of the Welfare Reform Task Force**, Montgomery County, Maryland, 1996.  
**Visiting Professor**, Graduate School of Planning, University of Puerto Rico, 1987.  
**Grants Coordinator**, Office of Academic Affairs, University of California at Berkeley , 1984-86.  
**Adjunct Professor**, National Hispanic University, Oakland, California, 1985-86.  
**Instructor**, Graduate School of Business Administration, Inter-American University of Puerto Rico, 1976.  
**Planner**, Puerto Rico Development Group, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 1975.  
**Junior Planner**, Puerto Rico's Public Housing Authority, San Juan, Puerto Rico, Summer 1974.  
**Management Intern**, New York City Planning Commission, New York, Summer 1973.

## **EDUCATION**

**Ph.D. Studies - City and Regional Planning**, University of California at Berkeley, California, 1982-86.

**M.S. - Sociology**, University of Wisconsin at Madison, Wisconsin, 1979-81.

**M.C.P. - City and Regional Planning**, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1973-75.

**B.A. - Economics and History**, Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts, 1969-73.  
 Also, studies at the University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico.

**High School Degree**, Colegio San Ignacio de Loyola, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico, 1965-1969.

## **OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**

Proficient in operation of Word, Excel, and Power Point  
 Proficient in English and Spanish. Somewhat proficient in Portuguese and French.

## **REFERENCES**

Available upon request.

## Amy L. Presley

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### Executive Summary:

Innovative problem solver and team builder with extensive experience in strategic planning, product development, marketing communications, business development, and operations management. Effective in communication and in the development of strategic alliances, working across all levels within both the private and public sector. Exceptional leadership, analytical, and project management skills, with innate ability to bridge disparate groups, resolve conflicts, and create and manage winning teams.

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### Experience:

#### **Trusted Estate Partners – Clarksburg, MD** **Managing Partner**

**October 2015 – Present**

Founded and currently manage Trusted Estate Partners, a niche real estate company that has set the new standard for estate liquidation. Implementing a proprietary Seven-Step Cycle of Service and Support, the company cohesively manages the entire liquidation process for Attorneys, PRs and Trustees. Trusted Estate Partners' exclusive business model is underpinned by the real estate expertise of the Managing Partners, Amy Presley and Andy Spagnolo. Together with the team of carefully vetted alliance partners, encompassing all of the disciplines necessary to facilitate the estate liquidation, they manage the process from the initial personal property and real property appraisals to the distribution and sale of personal property, and ultimately sale of the real property.

#### **The Chronicle of Higher Education | The Chronicle of Philanthropy – Washington, DC** **Chief Marketing Officer**

**November 2008 – August 2011**

- Hired and managed a diverse staff (twenty individuals spanning six disciplines) responsible for marketing and product development for the domestic and global brands of The Chronicle (including three print publications, six websites and more than forty events annually).
- Led the development of a dynamic management team, with emphasis on mentorship of directors, and turned a previously reactive department into a proactive internal agency environment.
- Authored and applied a customized product development process (integrating with SCRUM™ methodology), enabling the marketing product development division to become audience-centric and profitable.
- In partnership with the Managing Editor, led extensive market research and analyses, spanning 52 countries, to validate the global market potential for The Chronicle, develop the global business case, and prepare a three-year business plan.
- Managed launch of The Chronicle Global Edition (print and online products, and events in 15 countries in the first year).
- Conceived and developed new products and enhanced existing products (including web-based tools and service offerings, webinars, and events), directing all aspects of product development, launch, sales and marketing support.
- Led the team that researched, planned, and implemented the "Rest of World" campaign, in support of The Chronicle's largest revenue center (recruitment services), resulting in more than 50 new global clients and \$200,000 in incremental revenue within the first four months after launch.
- Diversified revenue through successful launch of monthly webinars resulting in over \$250,000 of incremental revenue and a 150% increase in audience engagement within designated key audience segments within the first year of delivery.
- Served as a member of the Executive Management Team.
- Served as global ambassador of The Chronicle to develop alliances and partnerships resulting in new revenue streams.

#### **Synergies, Inc. – Clarksburg, MD** **President**

**January 2003 – November 2008**

- Provided independent consulting services including strategic business planning; market research and analyses; marketing and communications plan development and implementation; branding and promotional program development; product development and launch planning; and new business development and alliance services to clients within both the public and private sector.

**Acterna – Gaithersburg, MD**  
**Product Marketing Manager; Global Product Director (Wireless Group)**

**September 1996 – December 2002**

- Directed all aspects of product development and management (in collaboration with engineering, sales, marketing, and manufacturing teams) including:
  - Market research/analysis and business case development,
  - Definition of new product/feature requirements and creation of product roadmaps,
  - Development of strategic sales plans, marketing communications plans, and launch plans,
  - Product launch implementation,
  - Development of product training materials and coordination of customer training and support, and
  - Initiation and management of client focus groups and user groups.
- Instrumented the development and deployment of ARaudt™, a first-to-market revenue assurance system for wireless telecommunications service providers.
- Achieved \$6.4M in sales in the first year and supported ~50% growth in annual sales thereafter (exceeding management's 3-year goal of \$20M in annual sales).
- Developed and implemented successful product marketing and sales strategies to secure and sustain top market share in the US, facilitating sales into a major service providers including AT&T Wireless, Cingular, Verizon, and Sprint.
- Managed sales funnel and forecasts, and identified sales opportunities at the executive level.
- Directed new business development, establishing alliances with Ericsson, PriceWaterhouse, and other partners.
- Prepared and gave presentations at industry conferences; authored articles (published in *Billing World* and *Telecommunications International*); and served as a liaison to the press and industry analysts.

**Mitchell & Company – Washington, DC**  
**Director of Marketing/New Business Development** (June 1990 – July 1994)

**June 1986 – July 1994**

- Developed and implemented strategic marketing plan to reposition the company (an advertising and design agency), effectively transitioning from a real estate client base to a high-tech client base within two years.
- Created contact development and management program, generating 125 qualified leads in the first year, resulting in 21 new clients within the targeted high-tech industry (including IntelSat, Cable & Wireless, and MCI).
- Served primary sales role in developing new client accounts (responsible for proposal development and presentation through project acceptance).
- Functioned as account executive, serving as client/design staff liaison on new accounts.
- Conducted bi-annual competitive analysis and worked with President to develop business and marketing strategies.

**Operations Manager** (June 1986 – June 1990)

- Developed and implemented new operational procedures to increase productivity (analyzed existing systems, prepared strategic plan, developed new operational tools and systems, prepared comprehensive procedural manual, and trained staff on new procedures).
- Served as project manager for 60+ projects per quarter, managing design and administrative staff through all phases of design, printing and fabrication of client projects (from preparation of RFP response through final project delivery).
- Negotiated contracts with new vendors and managed existing vendor relationships from contract initiation through production and final project acceptance (held responsibility for quality control).
- Developed and maintained database of clients and projects for tracking of accounts and productivity.

**Civic Experience:**

**Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission – Silver Spring, MD**  
**Commissioner** (Appointed by the Montgomery County Council)

**June 2008 – July 2016**

- Served as a member of a five-member Commission responsible for hearing and ruling on matters relative to land use and planning within Montgomery County, and setting and use policy with a focus on growth, transportation, and environmental protection.
- Participated in the development and approval of multiple Master Plans and Sector Plans, as well as the Montgomery County Growth Policy and Adequate Public Facilities Guidelines.
- Served on Growth Policy Panel and Development Review Panel, and also served as Chair of the Internal Audit Committee.

**Civic Experience** (continued):

**Clarksburg Town Center Advisory Committee, Inc. (CTCAC) – Clarksburg, MD**

**August 2004 – July 2008**

**President**

- Established the CTCAC and successfully led a team in the research and analysis of County agency records and procedures to provide a wide-scale evaluation of development standards within the Clarksburg Town Center community.
- Served as liaison and spokesperson, preparing and giving presentations to County agencies, County Council, civic groups, and residents.
- Presentations to Montgomery County Planning Board resulted in multiple rulings supporting CTCAC findings.
- Overall CTCAC initiative resulted in significant procedural reforms across multiple County agencies and in the preparation and implementation of several new pieces of County legislation for planning and development reform.

**Professional Honors/Awards:**

- Community Hero Award | Montgomery County Civic Federation
  - In recognition of CTCAC efforts to resolve planning and development issues in Montgomery County.
- Sentinel Award | *Sentinel* Newspaper
  - In recognition of significant contribution to good government at the local level.
- Phyllis Campbell Newsome Rising Star Award | Montgomery Women
  - In recognition of personal leadership and potential action to effect change in Montgomery County's planning and implementation processes.

# **Jeffrey L. Zyontz, Esq.**

## **Education**

J.D.	Washington College of Law, American University
M.C.R.P.	Rutgers University Graduate School, Henry Rutgers Fellow
B.A.	American University, Cum Laude with Honors in Government

Senior Executive Program In State and Local Government -Harvard University

## **Professional Associations**

Maryland Bar Association  
Guest Speaker - George Washington School of Law

## **Skills and Abilities**

Planning and Zoning Policy Development and Review  
Land Use Law and Procedures  
Transportation Planning  
Project and Personnel Management

## **Accomplishments as an M-NCPPC Employee**

Developed Zoning Text Amendment and Sewer Policy Amendment  
for Private Institutional Facilities and large lot zones  
Analyzed pending legislation on changes to the site plan process  
for the Montgomery Planning Board  
Producer of Comprehensive Master Plans and supporting zoning text amendment  
Instructor for Maryland State Planning Department on a zoning  
for economic development professionals  
Worked with the Montgomery County State Delegation  
on transportation and park legislation  
Effective report writer and presenter to the Montgomery County Council  
and the Montgomery County Planning Board  
Worked with Washington COG on the Planning Directors Committee  
Developed a Comprehensive Transportation Policy Review process  
Past Speaker at University of Maryland, University of Pennsylvania,  
George Mason University and national, state and county conferences  
Successful management and budgeting for 55 planning, engineering

and environmental professionals (annual budget of \$5 million)  
Developer of “Green Policies” for the Department of Park and Planning  
Guided Park Planning and Natural Resource program

## **Experience**

2006 - 2020

Montgomery County Council Staff  
Montgomery County, Maryland

Legislative Attorney / Senior Research Analyst

Focused on zoning and issues related to the development process. Evaluated all Zoning Text Amendments. Council liaison with the Department of Permitting Services and the Revenue Authority. Guided local zoning map amendments presented to the Council. Guided Council’s effort in rewriting the entire zoning code.

1974 to 2006

Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission  
Montgomery County, Maryland

Council Legislative Attorney - May 2006 - October 2006

Assigned to the County Council

Chief Countywide Planning Division 1998 to 2006

Responsible for the work program, personnel, and budget of a division of specialists including transportation, environment, historic preservation, park planning and resource analysis. Staff leader assigned to changing the development review process. Act as a consultant to MNCPPC legal staff, on Clarksburg issues. Leader in proposed zoning text amendment and water and sewer policy amendments for low-density residential zones. Reviewed zoning text amendments for environmental overlay zones. Supported Research’s zoning capacity studies which required a working knowledge of the zoning ordinance. Involved in state legislation dealing with Montrose Parkway, Mathew Hansen Park, the ICC, the liability of landowners to recreational users of their land and fines for encroaching on parkland. Representing the Montgomery County Planning Board at national, state and county events. Coordinating commission efforts on the ICC through September 2005. Providing recommendations on transportation capital projects.

Senior Coordinator Community Planning Division 1987 – 1998



Oversight and project manager for Comprehensive Master Plans for one third of Montgomery County including North Bethesda, Friendship Heights, Silver Spring, Glenmont and Aspen Hill. Updated the County's General Plan. Supervised and developed plans for land use, transportation and zoning. Recommended and drafted zoning text amendments to implement approved plans. Particular issues included zoning incentives for economic redevelopment, residential redevelopment, moderately priced housing zoning bonuses, and special exceptions. Project manager for the incorporation of the City of Takoma Park into Montgomery County from Prince George's County. Developed appropriate grandfathering zoning text amendments and a zoning map to avoid non-conforming uses. Commented upon local zoning map and zoning text amendments.

#### Research Coordinator – Research 1982 – 1987

Responsible for developing and maintaining data system required for the County's growth policy system; tracking subdivision activity, sewer connections, land transactions and building completions. Supervised county demographic survey. Forecasted economic development and job growth. Reviewed transportation data for the development of descriptive statistics. Supported the development of a fiscal impact model for Montgomery County. Supported the development of the growth management system for the County.

#### Principal Planner – Special Projects 1979 – 1982

Project manager for Comprehensive Planning Policy Report. Conference manager on the County's future. Coordinated subdivision administration involving adequate public facility questions. Projected County employment levels.

#### Senior Planner – Special Projects 1976 – 1979

Manager of the Census update survey for the County. Designed computer system for reporting land record information. Developed the demographically based methodology for the Park Recreation and Open Space Plan.

#### Planner – Research Division 1974 – 1976

Assisted in fiscal impact model. Developed market study methodology to determine need for commercial land. Assisted in the development of employment projections.

**THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD**

- Membership:** No more than three of the five members shall be of the same political party. Any vacancy occurring in the membership of the Commission from Montgomery County for any cause shall be filled by the Council.
- Term:** A permanent term is for four years. Temporary, acting appointees will serve until a successor is qualified and appointed under Section 15-103 of the Regional District Act.
- Compensation:** Annual compensation for Board members is currently \$30,000, and the chair currently earns \$227,891.46.
- Financial Statement:** Members must file annual public financial disclosure statements.
- Each applicant for appointment shall file a State Ethics Commission financial disclosure statement (Form #1) with the Council no later than five days prior to the initial date set for interview by the Council.
- The County Council may require applicants for appointment or reappointment to be interviewed by the Council or its designated agent in private as to any possible or potential conflict of interest. Applicant shall be questioned under oath and the financial interview shall be conducted in a question and answer fashion, and a written transcript made of all questions and answers. There shall be a public disclosure by the Council of the complete transcribed testimony from the financial interview of the actual appointee or appointees three weeks from the date of his or her appointment.



## **Montgomery County Council Seeks Applicants for Temporary Acting Montgomery County Planning Board Commissioners**

*Deadline for applications is Oct. 18 at 5 p.m.*

For Immediate Release

ROCKVILLE, Md., Oct. 12--The Montgomery County Council is immediately seeking new temporary acting members of the Montgomery County Planning Board with expertise in land use, planning, economic development, transportation, and environmental and park issues. Montgomery County residents who are interested in filling these temporary positions must apply to the Council no later than Oct. 18 at 5 p.m. The Council is scheduled to vote on designating the temporary members on Oct. 25.

No more than three members of the Planning Board may be from the same political party, and each member must be a resident and registered voter of Montgomery County when appointed. This position can be filled by a Democrat, Republican, a voter who is unaffiliated with a party, or a voter who is a member of another party officially recognized by the Board of Elections.

The annual compensation for Planning Board commissioners is currently \$30,000, and the chair currently earns \$215,727.

The Planning Board serves as the Council's principal adviser on land use planning and community planning. Planning Board members also serve as commissioners of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

The Planning Board's responsibilities with regard to planning include preparation and amendment of the County General Plan; preparation and amendment of master plans and functional plans; formulation of subdivision regulations; preparation of or recommendations on text amendments to the County Zoning Code; implementation of the subdivision process by reviewing and approving all preliminary plans, site plans and other plans for development; offering or providing advice on the planning implications of capital facilities and programs of the County government, Montgomery College, WSSC Water, and Montgomery County Public Schools; commenting under, its mandatory referral authority, about plans for public facilities of local, state and federal agencies; and approving of the work program and the annual operating budget for the Planning Department and the Commission's bi-county offices.

The Planning Board sits as the Park Commission and approves the annual Parks Department operating budget and Capital Improvements Program (CIP); land acquisition contracts and major development contracts for parks; development plans for individual park facilities; policies for park operations; and park user fees.

The Planning Board meets all day every Thursday, including many Thursday evenings, and will schedule other meetings, as needed. The entire Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission meets the third Wednesday of every month. On average, a Planning Board member may spend two full days a week in scheduled

and informal meetings. Additionally, substantial time is required for preparatory work and other activities related to Planning Board responsibilities.

### **Application Process and Deadline**

Letters of application expressing interest, including a resume (no more than 4 pages) listing professional and civic experience, political party affiliation, home and office telephone numbers, and an email address, should be addressed to: Council President Gabe Albornoz and emailed to [county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov](mailto:county.council@montgomerycountymd.gov), or mailed to the County Council Office, Stella B. Werner Council Office Building, 100 Maryland Ave., Rockville, Md. 20850.

The letter of application also should indicate if you are interested in serving as the temporary acting Planning Board chair, a temporary acting Planning Board member or either role.

Letters with resumes must be received no later than 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 18. It is the Council's policy not to consider applications received after the deadline.

### **Financial Disclosure**

A financial disclosure statement of assets, debts, income, and family property interests will be required to be filed by each final applicant selected by the Council for the temporary acting board member positions.

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