



ANTONIO R. VILLARAIGOSA
MAYOR

October 18, 2011

Honorable Members of the City Council
c/o City Clerk
City Hall, Room 395

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have today appointed Ms. Nicole Duckett to the Board of the Los Angeles Convention Center for the term ending June 30, 2013. Ms. Duckett will fill the vacancy created by Michael Fleming, who has resigned.

I certify that in my opinion Ms. Duckett is especially qualified by reason of training and experience for the work that will devolve upon her, and that I make the appointment solely in the interest of the City.

Very truly yours,


ANTONIO R. VILLARAIGOSA
Mayor

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Attachment

COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

Name: Nicole Duckett
Commission: Board of the Los Angeles Convention Center
End of Term: June 30, 2013

Appointee Information

1. Race/ethnicity: African American
2. Gender: Female
3. Council district and neighborhood of residence: 4 - Central Los Angeles
4. Are you a registered voter? Yes
5. Prior commission experience: None
6. Attendance record of past commission appointment(s):
7. Highest level of education completed:
8. Occupation/profession: Attorney
9. Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment: See attached resume
10. Purpose of this appointment:
11. Current composition of the commission (excluding appointee):

Los Angeles Convention Center					
Name	APC	CD	Ethnicity	Gender	Term ends
Fleming-RESIGNED, Michael	East	4	Caucasian	M	30-Jun-13
Gallegos, Hector	West	11	Latino	M	30-Jun-12
Moritz, Neal	West LA	11	Caucasian	M	30-Jun-15
Purvis, Archie C.	South Valley	5	African American	M	30-Jun-14
Torres, Diana M.	West	11	Latina	F	30-Jun-11



NICOLE M. DUCKETT

Practice Areas:
LITIGATION



Ms. Duckett focuses her practice on securities fraud class actions, consumer class actions, shareholder derivative actions, antitrust litigation, and employment litigation. She joined the firm from Mayer Brown LLP where she practiced complex business litigation, white collar criminal defense, and corporate internal investigations. Ms. Duckett has vast trial experience, serving as lead counsel and second-chair counsel in multiple trials, as well as wide-ranging appellate practice, drafting appellate briefs and arguing before the California Court of Appeal.

Ms. Duckett's recent representative matters include: serving as co-lead counsel in the anti-trust class action against Sirius XM for raising prices after creating a monopoly of the satellite radio market; serving as lead counsel in the consumer fraud class action against NVIDIA Corporation for placing allegedly defective computer chips in the market; serving as co-lead counsel in the shareholder derivative action against The Ryland Group, Inc., for fostering egregious lending practices despite reprimands from the US Department of Housing and Urban Development; and serving as co-lead counsel in a securities and shareholder derivative and class action against Beckman Coulter, Inc. Prior representative matters include: Avon Products, Inc. in a civil and criminal FCPA investigation by the Department of Justice and the Securities and Exchange Commission; and Broadcom Corporation in a civil and criminal options backdating investigation by the U.S. Attorneys' Office and the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Ms. Duckett is a Lawyer Representative for the Ninth Circuit Judicial Conference, she is on the Leadership Council Board for the Fulfillment Fund, and she is active in the Los Angeles County Bar Association, the National Association of Securities Professionals, and the Association of Business Trial Lawyers. Los Angeles Magazine has named Ms. Duckett a Southern California Super Lawyers Rising Star for years 2006 through 2011. Ms. Duckett is a member of the Firm's Diversity Committee.

Title:

Senior Counsel

Location:

Los Angeles, CA

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Education:

B.A., Georgetown University,
English, 1995, Dean's List

J.D., UCLA School of Law,
1998, Editor, UCLA National
Black Law Journal, Joseph
Drowne Fellowship Award

Admitted:

California, 1998

U.S. District Court, Central
District of California, 1998

U.S. District Court, Southern
District of California, 1999

U.S. Court of Appeals, Ninth
Circuit, 1998

U.S. District Court, District of
Arizona, 1999



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Ms. Nicole Duckett
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Dear Ms. Duckett:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby appoint you to the Board of the Los Angeles Convention Center for the term ending June 30, 2013. In order to complete the process as quickly as possible, there are several steps that must be taken, many of which require a trip downtown. If you require parking during these procedures, please call Cary Gross in my Office at (213) 978-0724 and she will arrange it for you.

To begin the appointment process, please review, sign and return the enclosed City Commissioner Ethics Pledge, Commission Remuneration Form, Undated Separation Form and Background Release **within one week** of receiving this letter. These documents are necessary to help us ensure the most efficient, open and accountable City government possible. Further, Mayor's Office policy requires you to be fingerprinted as part of the background check that is done on all potential Commissioners. To do so, please bring this letter to the Background Unit of Employment Services Division, Personnel Department Building, 700 East Temple Street, Room 235, Los Angeles, (213) 473-9343. Fingerprints must be taken **within three working days** from the receipt of this letter.

Under separate cover you will be receiving a packet from the City Ethics Commission containing information about the City's conflict of interest laws and a copy of the State Form 700/Statement of Economic Interests. City law requires that you complete and return this form **within 21 days** of your nomination to the City Ethics Commission, 200 North Spring Street, City Hall, 24th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90012. Any inquiries regarding this form should be directed to Shannon Prior at the Ethics Commission at (213) 978-1960.



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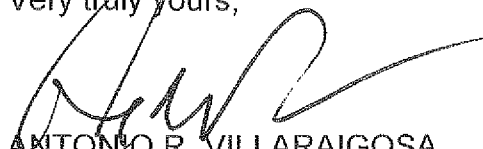
As part of City Council confirmation process, you will need to meet with Tom LaBonge, your Councilmember and the Chair of the Trade, Commerce and Tourism Committee. Please contact Manuel Alfaro in the Mayor's Office of Economic and Business Policy at (213) 978-0784 to arrange these meetings, and any additional meetings with council offices.

You will be hearing from a City Council committee clerk who will let you know when your appointment will be considered by the Trade, Commerce and Tourism Committee. Some time thereafter, you will also be notified by the committee clerk when your appointment will be presented to the full City Council for confirmation. Once you are confirmed, you will be required to take the oath of office in the City Clerk's Office, Room 395, City Hall.

Commissioners must be residents of the City of Los Angeles. If you move at any point during your term, have any changes in your telephone numbers, or in the future plan to resign (resignation must be put in writing), please contact my office immediately.

Warmest congratulations and thank you for agreeing to continue helping in my efforts to serve the people of the City of Los Angeles.

Very truly yours,



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Attachment I
Ms. Nicole Duckett
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Nominee Check List

I. Within three days:

- Get fingerprinted to complete background check.**
No appointment is necessary. Bring the Mayor's letter to:
Background Unit of Employment Services Division, Personnel
Department Building, 700 East Temple Street, Room 235, Los Angeles,
(213) 473-9343.

II. Within one week:

Mail or fax the following forms to: Office of the Mayor, Attn: Cary Gross, Office of
Legal Counsel, 200 N. Spring St., # 303, Los Angeles, CA 90012. Fax: (213)
978-0720.

- Ethics Pledge**
- Remuneration Form**
- Undated Separation Form**
- Background Check Release**
- Commissioner Information Sheet/Voluntary Statistics**

III. Within 14 days:

File the following forms with the City Ethics Commission. *If you are required to
file, you will receive these forms in the mail from that office.*

- Statement of Economic Interest ("Form 700")**
IMPORTANT: The City Council will not consider your nomination until
your completed form is reviewed by the Ethics Commission.
- Residence Verification Form**

IV. As soon as possible, call Manuel Alfaro at (213) 978-0784 to schedule one- on-one meetings with the following Councilmembers:

- Your City Councilmember and Chair of the Council Committee
considering your nomination Tom LaBonge**
- Other Councilmembers as appropriate**