



**ERIC GARCETTI**  
**MAYOR**

January 23, 2017

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

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have reappointed Mr. Jesús Quiñonez to the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California for the term ending December 31, 2020. Mr. Quiñonez's current term expired on December 31, 2016.

I certify that in my opinion Mr. Quiñonez is qualified for the work that will devolve upon him, and that I make the appointment solely in the interest of the City.

Sincerely,

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ERIC GARCETTI  
Mayor

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Attachment

## COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

**Name:** Jesús Quiñonez  
**Commission:** Metropolitan Water District of Southern California  
**End of Term:** 12/31/2020

### Appointee Information

- 1. Race/ethnicity:** Latino
- 2. Gender:** Male
- 3. Council district and neighborhood of residence:** 0 -
- 4. Are you a registered voter?** Yes
- 5. Prior commission experience:** Metropolitan Water District of Southern California
- 6. Highest level of education completed:** J.D., University of California, Los Angeles
- 7. Occupation/profession:** Partner, Bush Gottlieb
- 8. Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment:** See attached resume
- 9. Purpose of this appointment:** Reappointment
- 10. Current composition of the commission:**

Commissioner	APC	CD	Ethnciity	Gender	Term End
Dake, Glen	East LA	13	Caucasian	M	31-Dec-18
Gold, Mark		0	Caucasian	M	31-Dec-16
Murray, John W.	Central	4	African American	M	31-Dec-18
Paskett, Lorraine		0	Latina	F	31-Dec-19

## Jesús Quiñonez



**Jesús Quiñonez** joined Bush Gottlieb as a partner in October 2015. Mr. Quiñonez has been chief counsel to UTLA for more than 25 years and has played a critical role in negotiations, contract enforcement and government relations. He has served as chief spokesperson in several major negotiations that resulted in hundreds of millions of dollars in improvements in salaries and benefits, avoidance of massive lay-offs, and protection against erosion of long-established union and individual teacher rights.

In representing union clients, Mr. Quiñonez has handled scores of administrative, legislative, and contract enforcement matters. He has also served as chief counsel to a multi-union health benefits committee, protecting and enhancing funding and effective governance for one of the largest health and welfare plan committees in the country.

Mr. Quiñonez has acted as counsel for numerous private and public sector unions, and served as co-counsel with Leo Geffner before the U. S. Supreme Court in *Marquez v. Screen Actors Guild*.

While at law school in the late 1970's (and during a period of massive organizing), Mr. Quiñonez worked for the Agricultural Labor Relations Board, which administers California's farm labor law.

Mr. Quiñonez has been a MWD Board member since January 2006 and currently serves as Chair of the Legal and Claims Committee of the Board.



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Mr. Jesús Quiñonez

Dear Mr. Quiñonez:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby reappoint you to the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California for the term ending December 31, 2020. In order to complete the process as quickly as possible, there are several steps that must be taken, many of which require visiting City Hall. If you require parking during these procedures, please call Claudia Luna in my Office at (213) 978-0621 to make arrangements for you.

To begin the reappointment process, please review, sign and return the enclosed Remuneration Form, Undated Separation Forms, Background Check Release and Information Sheet **within one week** of receiving this letter. These documents are necessary to ensuring the most efficient, open and accountable City government possible.

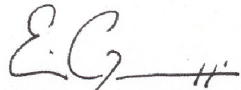
As part of the City Council confirmation process, you will need to meet with, Councilmember Nury Martinez, the Chair of the Energy and Environment Committee, to answer any questions she may have. You will be hearing from a City Council committee clerk who will let you know when your reappointment will be considered by the Energy and Environment Committee. Sometime thereafter, you will be notified by the committee clerk when your reappointment 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 in Room 395 of City Hall. Claudia Luna will assist you during the confirmation process if you have questions.

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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.

Congratulations and thank you for agreeing to serve the people of Los Angeles.

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