

ERIC GARCETTI MAYOR

July 19, 2013

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

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have appointed Ms. Tai Glenn to the Rent Adjustment Commission for the term ending May 20, 2014. Ms. Glenn will fill the vacancy created by Ramon Muniz, who has resigned.

I certify that in my opinion Ms. Glenn is qualified for the work that will devolve upon her, and that I make the appointment solely in the interest of the City.

Sincerely,

ERIC GARCETTI Mayor

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Attachment

COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

Name:Tai GlennCommission:Rent Adjustment CommissionEnd of Term:May 20, 2014

Appointee Information

- 1. Race/ethnicity: Caucasian
- 2. Gender: Female
- 3. Council district and neighborhood of residence: 14 East Los Angeles
- 4. Are you a registered voter? Yes
- 5. Prior commission experience:
- 6. Highest level of education completed: J.D., Loyola Law School
- 7. Occupation/profession: Executive Director of Levitt Quinn Family Law Center
- 8. Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment: See attached resume
- 9. Purpose of this appointment: Replacement
- 10. Current composition of the commission (excluding appointee):

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Commissioner Cha, Alex	APC Central	(CD) 1	Etimicity Asian Pacific Islander	Gender M	9/22/2009	Ends 5/20/2014
Daar, Jeffrey J.	North Valley	12	Caucasian	M	2/18/2003	5/20/2014
Handler, Betsy	West	11	Caucasian	F	3/15/2013	5/20/2014
Leftwich, Paula G.	South	8	African American	F	11/2/1994	5/20/2014
Townsend, Maria	North Valley	12	Latina	F	9/26/2007	5/20/2014
Winderman, Allyne	Central	4	African American	F	3/15/2013	5/20/2014

Professional Background

Tai Glenn

LEVITT QUINN FAMILY LAW CENTER, LOS ANGELES, CA

2012- Present

Executive Director

Provide the leadership and vision to carry out the mission's organization and directives of the Board of Directors. Inspire, direct and encourage upper management, attorneys and all staff to develop a cohesive, stellar team. Grow major donor base, diversify income sources, and increase giving. Develop the budget, increase visibility and lead long-range planning. Leadership in 2012 resulted in the highest grossing annual event in the organization's thirty year history; recognition by Congress as an Adoption Angel; and more than 100% increase in foundation grants.

LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL, LOS Angeles, CA

2005-2011

Adjunct Professor Landlord/Tenant and Housing Law

> LEGAL AID FOUNDATION OF LOS ANGELES, LOS Angeles, CA 1999–2011

Pro Bono Director

2008-Present

Coordinate and promote a comprehensive pro bono plan that nurtures associations and develops partnerships. Work with program advocates and management to research and analyze complex poverty law matters and design innovative projects that increase legal representation to the poor by increasing pro bono participation. Develop and implement signature and other special pro bono projects with law firms and law schools. Develop and manage training programs for volunteers. Develop reference and marketing materials for pro bono program.

Managing Attorney—Housing2004–2008Ensure compliance with all applicable laws and with restrictions imposed by all funding sources.

In partnership with Western Center on Law Poverty litigated successful case regarding lowincome Californians' right to access the courts, *Cruz v. Superior Court*, which was the first California decision regarding fee waivers in almost 20 years. Envisioned and litigated the first case regarding tenant's right to return after being paid emergency relocation benefits pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code. *Cruz v. Ayromloo* was litigated with private co-counsel, was affirmed on appeal and is relied upon by the City of Los Angeles to preserve affordable, rentcontrolled units. Supervised staff of up to 10 including attorneys, paralegals, outreach staff and law clerks involved in litigation, community outreach and policy advocacy.

Senior Attorney—Housing Improvement Project2000–2004Developed project addressing slum-housing conditions through policy advocacy, outreach and
affirmative litigation. The project significantly increased organization's affirmative and impact

affirmative litigation. The project significantly increased organization's affirmative and impact litigation, gained a positive reputation in the housing community, and obtained new and increased funding to support and maintain these efforts.

Staff Attorney — Homeownership	1999–2000
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Litigated predatory lending and low-income homeowner rights.

LEGAL SERVICES PROGRAM, PASADENA & SAN GABRIEL-POMONA VALLEY, Pomona & Pasadena, CA 1992–1999

Staff Attorney

Represented individuals and groups in a variety of poverty law areas.

Law Offices of Torres & Brenner, Pasadena, CA 1991–1992

Associate

Education

Drafted motions and discovery. Law and motion appearances and depositions.

Loyola Law School, Los Angeles, CA Juris Doctor, 1991 University of North Texas, Denton, TX BA, Journalism & Public Relations, 1987

Admitted to California Bar, 1991 Admitted to U.S. District Court, Central District of California, 1992

Awards/Accomplishments

Loyola Law School Public Interest Award, Recipient, 2011 State Bar California Pro Bono Coordinating Committee, 2010-Present Los Angeles County Bar Association, Litigation Section, Executive Committee, 2010-Present Los Angeles County Bar Association, Access to Justice Committee, 2008-Present PATH Ventures, Co-Chair, 2006-Present State Bar Access to Justice, Pro Bono Subcommittee, 2008-2010 Eagle Rock Center for the Arts, Board Member, Fundraising Subcommittee, 2005–2007 Rent Stabilization Commission, West Hollywood, Commissioner, 1995–1997 West Hollywood East Side Redevelopment Project Area Committee, Vice-Chair, Member, 1996

Selected Presentations and Publications

Publications:

Los Angeles Daily Journal, City Attorney Gives Slumlords Free Pass in L.A, 2005.

- Los Angeles Times, Working Toilets Should Not Be A 'Maybe' In L.A. Housing, co-author with Jenny Hontz, 2001
- Public Interest Advocate, Ask the Experts: How Can Students Make the Most of the Law School Experience in Preparation for a Career in Public Interest Law, 1994

Presentations:

- Online Tools for Pro Bono, LACBA Litigation Section Executive Committee, Created and Conducted Training, May 2011
- Deferred Associate Programs: Lessons Learned and Future Directions, Pro Bono Institute, Panelist, 2010
- Professional Support and Networking: Turning a Seedling in to a Blossoming Pro Bono Managers Association, Equal Justice Conference, Moderator and Panelist, 2009.
- Power up Affirmative Litigation with Private Partnerships, Equal Justice Conference, Created and Conducted Training, 2005
- Benchmark's Annual Housing Overview, Trainer, 2005, 2003, 2000, 1998, 1997, 1996 Power up Affirmative Litigation with Private Partnerships and Innovative Partnerships in
- Systemic Reform, Equal Justice Conference, Created and Conducted Training, 2004 Keeping Tenants in Slum Housing, NLADA Substantive Law Conference, Created and Conducted Training, 2004
- *Evictions & Rent Control 101*, Los Angeles Housing Department Code Enforcement Unit, Created and Conducted Training, 2003

Candidate Brief: Tai Glenn, Esq.

Tai Glenn is the Executive Director of the Levitt Quinn Family Law Center. They are dedicated to providing affordable legal representation in family law matters to low-income families of Los Angeles County. Glenn has been an influential advocate for the rights of poor and lowincome individuals for almost 20 years. In 2011, she was a recipient of Loyola Law School's Public Interest Award and currently serves on the Los Angeles County Bar Association's Access to Justice Committee and the Executive Committee of its Litigation Section.

Glenn has been a leader in Pro Bono services. She served as the Pro Bono Director at the Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles for three years during which time pro bono contributions increased from 6 to 10 million dollars per year. She is also a member of the California State Bar Statewide Pro Bono Coordinating Committee and serves as Co-



Chair on the board of PATH Ventures, a community development corporation, whose mission is to improve individual lives and communities by increasing quality affordable housing and creating opportunities for economic, civic and personal empowerment.

At Loyola Law School, she is an adjunct professor where she teaches landlord/tenant law. Prior to focusing on the administration of legal services, Glenn litigated a variety of impact cases aimed at preserving affordable, decent housing. Her litigation has resulted in the court of appeal issuing its first decision in twenty years regarding fee waiver applications; a court of appeal decision establishing a tenant's right to return to rent controlled units after being displaced by life-threatening conditions; and major habitability cases including a 3.5 million dollar judgment for slum conditions.

Glenn believes serving on a City of Los Angeles commission, particularly RAC, would be a perfect match to her current needs and ability to advocate. As a housing advocate she has worked closely with city council members, including newly elected Mayor Eric Garcetti, to implement legislation to improve housing conditions in Los Angeles.



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MAYOR

July 19, 2013

Ms. Tai Glenn

Dear Ms. Glenn:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby appoint you to the Rent Adjustment Commission for the term ending May 20, 2014. 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 Justin Gonzalez in my Office at (213) 364-0506 to make arrangements for you.

To begin the appointment process, please review, sign and return the enclosed Ethics Pledge, 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. 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, California 90012. The division phone number is (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. You are required to 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 the City Council confirmation process, you will need to meet with Jose Huizar, your Councilmember, and Councilmember Gilbert Cedillo, the Chair of the Housing Committee, to answer any questions they may have. You will be hearing from a City Council committee clerk who will let you know when your appointment will be considered by the Housing Committee. Some time thereafter, you will 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 in Room 395 of City Hall. Julie Ciardullo with the Mayor's staff will assist you during the confirmation process if you have questions.

Rent Adjustment Commissioners must be residents of the City of Los Angeles and can neither be landlords nor tenants of residential real property. If you move at any point during your term, become a landlord or tenant of residential real property, 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.

Sincerely,

ERIC GARCETTI Mayor

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Trash you!

Attachment I Ms. Tai Glenn July 19, 2013

Nominee Check List

I. Within three days:

Get fingerprinted to complete a 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, California 90012. Phone: (213) 473-9343.

II. Within seven days:

Mail, fax or email the following forms to: Julie Ciardullo, Office of the Mayor, Office of External Affairs, City Hall, 200 N. Spring Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012 or fax: 213-978-0720 or email: julie.ciardullo@lacity.org.

_____ Ethics Pledge

_____ Remuneration Form

_____ Undated Separation Forms

_____ Background Check Release

Commissioner Information Sheet/Voluntary Statistics

III. Within 21 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, the Mayor's Office will schedule a meeting with you and:

Your City Councilmember Jose Huizar (contact at 213-473-7014).

Councilmember Gilbert Cedillo, Chair of the Council Committee considering your nomination (contact at 213-473-7001).

Staff in the Mayor's Office of External Affairs will assist you with these arrangements.