



ERIC GARCETTI
MAYOR

August 14, 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. Yasmine Johnson to the Board of Zoo Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2018. Ms. Johnson will fill the vacancy created by Elaine Baylor, whose term expired on June 30, 2013.

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

Sincerely,

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Mayor

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Attachment



COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

Name: Yasmine Johnson
Commission: Board of Zoo Commissioners
End of Term: June 30, 2018

Appointee Information

1. **Race/ethnicity:** Asian Pacific Islander
2. **Gender:** Female
3. **Council district and neighborhood of residence:** 4 - South Valley
4. **Are you a registered voter?** Yes
5. **Prior commission experience:**
6. **Highest level of education completed:** See attached biography
7. **Occupation/profession:** See attached biography
8. **Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment:** See attached biography
9. **Purpose of this appointment:** Replacement
10. **Current composition of the commission (excluding appointee):**

Commissioner	APC	CD	Ethnicity	Gender	Appointment Date	Term Ends
Baylor, Elaine	South Valley	5	African American	F	11-Aug-08	30-Jun-13
Downing, Sue	West	11	Caucasian	F	10-Nov-09	30-Jun-15
Marteau Emerson, Kimberly K. - RESIGNED	West	4	Caucasian	F	23-Jul-2002	30-Jun-17
Silva, Bernardo	Central	4	Latino	M	06-Aug-02	30-Jun-16
Winnick, Karen B.	West	5	Caucasian	F	13-Aug-99	30-Jun-14

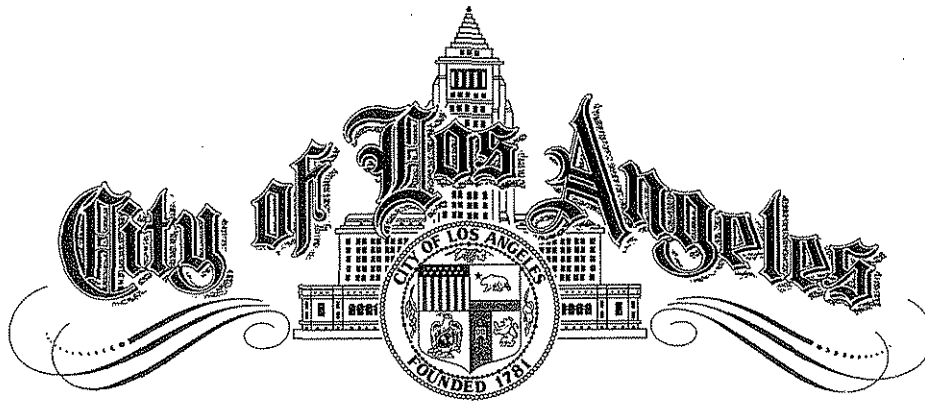
Yasmine Delawari Johnson

Yasmine Delawari Johnson is on the board of Los Angeles-based non-profit The Alliance For Children's Rights, which advocates for the rights of children in the local foster care system. She has focused much of her work with The Alliance on fundraising for programs benefitting LA's pregnant foster teens. Yasmine is also on the Board of Advisors of Foreign Policy Roundtable, an entertainment industry centric political salon.

A mother of four children, ranging in age from seventeen years to nine months, Yasmine writes a weekly parenting blog for *Los Angeles Magazine*. Yasmine also recently produced the award winning documentary *We Came Home*.

Yasmine and her husband, entertainment attorney Matthew Johnson, are politically engaged on both a local and national level. They are active philanthropists, with much of their collective work focused on the most vulnerable kids in Los Angeles.

Yasmine earned her Political Science degree at UCLA and continued her studies at New York's Circle in the Square Drama School.



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Ms. Yasmine Johnson

Dear Ms. Johnson:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby appoint you to the Board of Zoo Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2018. 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.

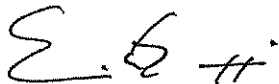
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As part of the City Council confirmation process, you will need to meet with Tom LaBonge, your Councilmember, and Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell, the Chair of the Arts, Parks, Health, Aging and River Committee, to answer any questions they may have. You will be hearing from a City Council committee clerk who will let you know when your appointment will be considered by the Arts, Parks, Health, Aging and River 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.

Members of the Board of Zoo Commissioners must be residents of the City of Los Angeles and cannot be tenants, lessees or operators of a concession on Zoo property. If you move at any point during your term, become a tenant, lessee or operator of a concession on Zoo 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,

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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**
_____ **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 Tom LaBonge** (contact at 213-473-7004).
_____ **Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell, Chair of the Council Committee**
considering your nomination (contact at 213-473-7013).

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