



ERIC GARCETTI  
MAYOR

September 30, 2013

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

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have appointed Mr. Robert L. Ahn to the City Planning Commission for the term ending June 30, 2014. Mr. Ahn will fill the vacancy created by Sean O. Burton, who has resigned.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Eric Garcetti', written in a cursive style.

ERIC GARCETTI  
Mayor

EG:dlg

Attachment

## COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

**Name:** Robert L. Ahn  
**Commission:** City Planning Commission  
**End of Term:** June 30, 2014

### Appointee Information

1. **Race/ethnicity:** Asian Pacific Islander
2. **Gender:** Male
3. **Council district and neighborhood of residence:** 4 - Central
4. **Are you a registered voter?** Yes
5. **Prior commission experience:** Los Angeles City Council Redistricting Commission
6. **Highest level of education completed:** JD, University of Southern California Law School
7. **Occupation/profession:** Senior Vice President and General Counsel, Western Investments & Properties Co.
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):**

Commissioner	APC	CD	Ethnicity	Gender	Appointment Date	Term Ends
Burton, Sean O. - RESIGNED	West	5	Caucasian	M	11-Dec-08	30-Jun-14
Dake Wilson, Renee	Central	4	Caucasian	F	09-Aug-13	30-Jun-18
Eng, Camilla M.	Central	14	Asian Pacific Islander	F	04-Feb-13	30-Jun-14
Freer, Regina - RESIGNED	South Los Angeles	8	African American	F	02-Nov-05	30-Jun-16
Hovaguimian, George V.	South Valley	4	Caucasian	M	28-Feb-11	30-Jun-17
Lessin, Robert L.	North Valley	12	Caucasian	M	28-Feb-11	30-Jun-15
Perlman, Dana	Central	5	Caucasian	M	07-Aug-12	30-Jun-17
Romero, Barbara - RESIGNED	South Valley	4	Latina	F	20-May-09	30-Jun-16
Segura, Marta	South Los Angeles	8	Latina	F	14-Aug-13	30-Jun-18

## ROBERT L. AHN

---

### EXPERIENCE:

#### **Western Investments & Properties Co., Los Angeles, CA**

Senior Vice President and General Counsel, February 2009 - Present

Responsible for management and operations of a full service real estate investment, brokerage and management company. Perform financial and legal analysis for due diligence on distressed, value added and opportunistic investment opportunities, including commercial investments and acquisition of non-performing debt. Oversee property management of portfolio consisting of commercial and multi-family assets. Manage consultants and outside counsel on all business and legal affairs.

#### **City of Los Angeles Redistricting Commission, Los Angeles, CA**

Commissioner, September 2011 – March 2012

Appointed by Council President Eric Garcetti as a commissioner representing Council District 13. Member of the Data and Communities of Interest committees. Attended commission meetings and public outreach hearings. Worked with commissioners and staff to prepare final council district maps for City Council approval. Co-authored Minority Report submitted to City Council raising concerns and objections to procedural issues.

#### **The Luzzatto Company, Inc., Santa Monica, CA**

Vice President and General Counsel, January 2008 – January 2009

Managed all aspects of company's real estate acquisitions, dispositions, development, financing, and asset management. Worked with outside consultants and brokers to develop new acquisition and development opportunities. Reviewed and drafted all due diligence materials, legal contracts and agreements pertaining to real estate transactions of the company.

#### **Locke Lord LLP, Los Angeles, CA**

(Formerly Locke Liddell & Sapp PLLC and Lord Bissell & Brook LLP)

Real Estate Associate, September 2005 – December 2007

Acquisitions and Dispositions. Represented both sellers and buyers in the acquisition and disposition of retail, industrial, commercial, and residential properties. Reviewed surveys, title reports and title documents (including easement agreements, license agreements, CC&Rs, and development agreements) as part of due diligence for purchase and sale transactions. Drafted and negotiated purchase and sale agreements. Supervised and coordinated closings between buyers, sellers and escrow holders. Represented buyer of numerous television stations and accompanying real estate in Hawaii, Oregon, Ohio, Kansas, Iowa, Georgia, and Alabama, and performed related due diligence and coordinated closings.

Lending. Represented both borrowers and institutional lenders on loan transactions, including a \$175,000,000.00 refinancing of office towers in Century City, California. Drafted various loan documents including promissory notes, deed of trusts, assignment of leases and rents, environmental indemnity agreements, and nonrecourse indemnity agreements. Reviewed surveys, title reports, title documents, and entity documents (including operating agreements and partnership agreements) as part of due diligence for loan transactions.

Leasing. Represented both landlords and tenants in retail, office and commercial lease transactions. Negotiated and drafted lease agreements, sublease agreements, lease addenda, and management agreements. Advised landlords and tenants in successfully resolving lease disputes.

**Lewis Brisbois Bisgaard & Smith LLP, Los Angeles, CA**  
Real Estate and Litigation Associate, November 2003 – September 2005

Real Estate Transactions. Drafted real estate purchase and sale agreements, stock purchase agreements, lease agreements, loan purchase agreements, owner participation agreements, disposition and development agreements, environmental indemnity agreements, assignments, promissory notes, deed of trusts, security agreements, subordination agreements, and a license agreement. Participated in various transactions on behalf of redevelopment agencies and developers.

Drafted business entity documents pertaining to the formation of corporations, partnerships, and limited liability companies in connection with real estate transactions. Drafted ordinances, resolutions, and reports in connection with the representation of redevelopment agencies. Reviewed title reports, Phase I environmental reports, notices of default, and a trustee sale guarantee.

Litigation. Argued and defended motions. Took and defended depositions. Participated in mediations and negotiated settlements. Drafted a wide variety of pleadings and motions, including motions for summary judgment, motions to dismiss, motions for reconsideration, motions to strike, complaints, answers and demurrers. Propounded and responded to a variety of discovery matters including requests for admissions, form and special interrogatories, and requests for production of documents. Cases included general business and real estate disputes.

**EDUCATION:**

**University of Southern California Law School, Los Angeles, CA**  
Juris Doctor, May 2002

Honors: Hale Moot Court Honors Program  
Activities: Asian Pacific American Law Students Association, Vice-President

**Emory University, Atlanta, GA**  
Bachelor of Business Administration, May 1998

Honors: Dean's List  
Major: Marketing and Management

**LICENSES:**

State Bar of California  
California Department of Real Estate - Broker

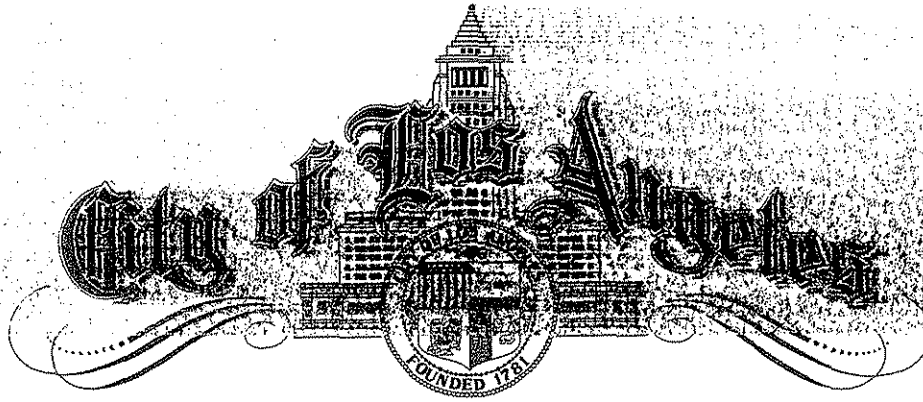
**LANGUAGES:**

Fluent in Korean; conversational in Spanish

**ACTIVITIES/  
AFFILIATIONS:**

Hollywood Wilshire YMCA – Member of the Board of Managers  
Pacific American Volunteer Association (PAVA) - Member of the Board of Directors  
• Charter member of the state's largest environmental volunteer organization

Harvard-Westlake School Alumni Association



ERIC GARCETTI

MAYOR

September 30, 2013

Mr. Robert L. Ahn

Dear Mr. Ahn:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby appoint you to the City Planning Commission for the term ending June 30, 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) 300-9935 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.



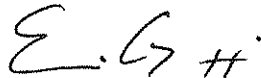
Mr. Robert E. Ahn  
September 30, 2013  
Page 2

As part of the City Council confirmation process, you will need to meet with Tom LaBonge, your Councilmember, and Councilmember Jose Huizar, the Chair of the Planning and Land Use Management 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 Planning and Land Use Management 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.

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.

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

Sincerely,



ERIC GARCETTI  
Mayor

EG:dlg

Attachment I  
Mr. Robert L. Ahn  
September 30, 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: 213-978-2760 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 Jose Huizar, Chair of the Council Committee considering your nomination** (contact at 213-473-7014).

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