



ERIC GARCETTI
MAYOR

December 2, 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. Kafi D. Blumenfield to the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2016. Ms. Blumenfield will fill the vacancy created by Barry A. Sanders, whom I removed effective January 31, 2014 or at the time Mr. Sanders' successor is confirmed by the City Council.

I certify that in my opinion Ms. Blumenfield 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: Kafi D. Blumenfield
Commission: Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners
End of Term: June 30, 2016

Appointee Information

1. **Race/ethnicity:** African American
2. **Gender:** Female
3. **Council district and neighborhood of residence:** 3 - South Valley
4. **Are you a registered voter?** Yes
5. **Prior commission experience:** Rent Adjustment Commission
6. **Highest level of education completed:** JD, UCLA School of Law
7. **Occupation/profession:** Former President and CEO, Liberty Hill Foundation
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):**

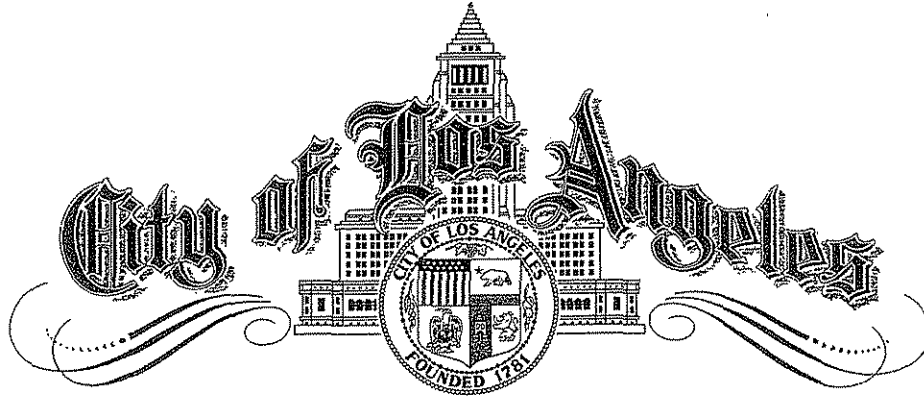
Commissioner	APC	CD	Ethnicity	Gender	Appointment Date	Term Ends
Alvarez, Lynn	South Valley	5	Latina	F	17-Feb-11	30-Jun-17
Patsaouras, Sylvia	South Valley	3	Latina	F	14-Aug-13	30-Jun-18
Sanders, Barry A.	West	5	Caucasian	M	14-Sep-07	30-Jun-16
Stanley, W. Jerome	West	5	African American	M	01-Oct-09	30-Jun-14
Werner, Jill Troy	West	11	Caucasian	F	02-Mar-10	30-Jun-15

Kafi D. Blumenfield

Kafi D. Blumenfield is the former President and CEO of Liberty Hill Foundation. At Liberty Hill, she focused on expanding Liberty Hill's impact by strengthening the Foundation's investment in community leaders on the frontlines of change. During her tenure, Ms. Blumenfield oversaw several critical aspects of the Foundation's work in Los Angeles including the launch of *Brothers, Sons, Selves*, an initiative to improve the well-being of low-income young men of color in Los Angeles; the *Wally Marks Leadership Institute for Change*, an intensive on-the-job training for community organizers; programs to increase donor diversity in philanthropy; and a strategic refocusing of Liberty Hill's nearly \$5 million annual grant investments.

Ms. Blumenfield has direct experience working on an array of issues related to social determinants of health, civic engagement, environment, and housing. Prior to joining Liberty Hill, she was Deputy Director of Neighbor to Neighbor, a national organization dedicated to grassroots political empowerment of working families. She also served as Director of Programs for the Fair Housing Council of San Gabriel Valley and worked for the Natural Resources Defense Council on urban air issues. Ms. Blumenfield was appointed to the California Commission on the Status of Women by Speaker John Perez. She serves on the boards of the Southern California Grantmakers, Association of Black Foundation Executives and Planned Parenthood Advocacy Project in Los Angeles and is a member of the advisory board of the Los Angeles River Revitalization Corporation. Ms. Blumenfield is a member of the selection committee for the James Irvine Foundation Leadership Awards.

Numerous organizations have recognized Ms. Blumenfield's leadership and service with honors including the National Women's Political Caucus LA Westside, National Gay and Lesbian Task Force, National Council of Negro Women, and Stonewall Young Democrats. Her opinions have been featured in national and local media outlets including *The Tavis Smiley Show*, *The Los Angeles Times* and *Which Way L.A.* She holds a law degree from UCLA and a B.A. from Pomona College. She lives in Woodland Hills with her husband and two children.



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Ms. Kafi D. Blumenfield

Dear Ms. Blumenfield:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby appoint you to the Board of Recreation and Parks Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2016. 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 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 Bob Blumenfield, 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.

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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric Garcetti". The signature is stylized with a large "E" and a long horizontal stroke.

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Attachment I
Ms. Kafi D. Blumenfield
December 2, 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: 213-978-0719 or email: julie.ciardullo@lacity.org.

_____ **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 Bob Blumenfield** (contact at 213-473-7003).
_____ **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.