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Name of Board/Commission/Committee/Task Force: Ballot Simplification Committee

Seat # (Required - see Vacancy Notice for qualifications): 1 or 2

Full Name: Ben Landau-Taylor



Zip Code: 94131

Occupation: Business owner

Work Phone: 6179107179 Employer: Ammonite Inscription Company

Business Address: 57 Post St, Suite 910 Zip Code: 94104

Business Email: ben@ammoniteinscription.com Home Email [Redacted]

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I am a 36-year-old white male renter, currently living in Diamond Heights, and formerly living in the Mission and in Bernal Heights.

Business and/or Professional Experience:

From 2017 through February 2025 I worked as a Senior Analyst at Bismarck Analysis, where I researched large institutions and distilled my findings into clear reports, which we delivered to clients. This required me to concisely describe complex topics, keeping the critical details while skipping everything that a busy reader could do without. Our clients had different backgrounds and beliefs, so we always had to consider the client’s particular goals and prior understanding when deciding how to write information in the way the client would best understand.

I’ve published writing on history, economics, and other topics in magazines and on my personal blog.

Civic Activities:

I follow city politics closely enough that I’m the one my friends come to for questions about local political issues and the context for ballot initiatives.

I have attended committee meetings to give public comments.

I am a regular participant in the San Francisco 10x club’s discussion events and trash pickup events.

Understanding how society works is my calling in life. I’m a historian and scholar, and my research has included civic governance in places from ancient Babylon to medieval China to 20th century America. I write publicly about social topics because I believe that citizens who better understand the world they’re living in will make better decisions. I would be honored to continue that work through the Ballot Simplification Committee. Some examples of my writing:

- <https://www.benlandautaylor.com/p/why-we-cant-have-nice-things>
- <https://www.benlandautaylor.com/p/good-citizenship-is-out-of-date>
- <https://www.benlandautaylor.com/p/how-to-learn-history>

Have you attended any meetings of the body to which you are applying? Yes No

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Date: April 26 2025

Applicant’s Signature (required):



(Manually sign or type your complete name.

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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board/Commission/Committee/Task Force: Ballot Simplification Council
Seat # (Required - see Vacancy Notice for qualifications): Seat #2
Full Name: Betty J. Packard also socially (Betty Packard Voris)
[Redacted] Zip Code: 94107
Occupation: Journalist
Work Phone: 415.596.1044 Employer: Self
Business Address: 1419 De Haro Street Zip Code: 94107
Business Email: bettypackard@comcast.net Home Email: [Redacted]

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Since 1997 I have served on the Ballot Simplification Committee, becoming chair and continuing as such since 2004. I am honored to represent the National Broadcasters Assn and subsequent merger with the National Association of Television Arts and Sciences during these years.

My credentials are 75 years of journalism involvement: past newspaper reporter for several city newspapers, national editor for 4 newsmagazines for the financial industry, publisher, author, communications consultant magazine columnist and currently freelance writer.

I have worked hard to establish a reputation for myself and the committee as an unbiased representative. I look at each measure with the purpose of giving the voter an overview of what is proposed so that they can make their own voting decision.

It has been my honor to serve the City of San Francisco through these years and I hope the Supervisors will allow me to continue.

Business and/or Professional Experience:

See attached

Civic Activities:

Have you attended any meetings of the body to which you are applying? Yes No

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Date: June 15, 2026

Applicant's Signature (required):

Betty J. Packard

*(Manually sign or type your complete name.
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Betty J. Packard

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2026-1975 President/Owner, Packard Consulting

Creates and develops specialized training courses and continuing education programs for the life and health insurance professional

- Creates brochures and newsletters for insurance/financial industry
- Columnist for national insurance trade magazine
- Motivational speaker to associations and company conventions,
- Licensed as a Continuing Education Provider and instructor by Departments of Insurance in eleven states
- Free-lance articles, video scripts, speeches, press releases, directories, newsletters and event creation and promotion
- Free-lance newspaper/magazine reporter and television reporter

2026/1982 Director, CA High School Journalism Contest

- Solicits entries from high schools throughout state.
- Recruits judges for 23 different categories
- Sends first-place winning entries for nfpw national competition
- Prepares certificates and checks and distributes to winners
- Solicits funds for winners to be recognized at annual National Federation of Press Women conference

2026-1995 Executive Director, California Press Women,

- Maintains membership directory and all administrative roles
- Publishes association newsletter
- Represents CPW at national, state and regional conventions
- Serves as liaison between national office and state officers
- Represents organization at other professional association meetings

2019-2001 San Francisco Department of Elections

Field Supervisor and Poll Worker Trainer

1973-75 Indiana High School Press Association

- Taught continuing education course to high school journalism teachers at Ball State University under the auspices of the Indiana High School Press Association.

1969-1975 R&R/Newkirk Indianapolis IN

- Editor, four national magazines for insurance and securities industry
- Creator and editor of training courses, brochures, books, and videos
- Free-lance newspaper/magazine reporter and television reporter

- Responsible for high school newspaper, yearbook and news bureau staffs (each won top national awards every year)
- Taught English and Journalism classes

1969-1966 Manager, John Mecom Race Team, Indianapolis IN

An Indianapolis 500 Championship team of 3 cars which ran the entire USAC season, including winning the 1966 Indianapolis 500-Mile Race

- Additional employment
 - Columnist and feature writer, Franklin Evening Star, Franklin IN Reporter, The Indianapolis Star, Indianapolis IN, Reporter, The Indianapolis Times, Indianapolis IN

▪ EDUCATION

- Franklin College, Franklin IN
- B.A., English, Journalism and History, Minor in Education
- Indiana University, Bloomington IN
- Completed Research and Review Service of America courses in all phases of insurance and financial planning
- Leadership courses towards MA degree, American College

▪ VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- 2026-1997, Member of Ballot Simplification Commission, City of San Francisco; Chair, 2003-2026 (writes voter handbook for City and County of San Francisco)
- 2026-1998 National Federation of Press Women, Education Fund Director
- 2026- 1987 Membership Chairman, Yearbook Editor, Ways and Means Chairman for San Francisco Alumnae Club of Pi Beta Phi; served as Philanthropy Chair for the last 25 years
- 2026-1987 San Francisco Garden Club, newsletter editor (2003-2014), Program Chair and Vice President (4 years) and President (2020-2024)
- 2026-2009 Alice Eastwood Awards Committee, providing scholarships to horticulture students at City College, San Francisco, serving as chair since 2020.
- 2021-2010 Advisory Council, San Francisco Conservatory of Flowers
- 2019-1990 Staffing Director and Chair, Open Rehearsals, San Francisco Symphony and member of Symphony Store Volunteer Council 2026-1962
- 2021-1980 Member. Indianapolis 500 Ladies Oldtimers, Directory Editor and Membership Chairman,
- 2026-1999 Elder, Old First Presbyterian Church
- 1990-1992 Editor, Annual Awards Dinner Magazine for American Association of Auto Racing Writers and Broadcasters;
- 1992-98 Member, Emergency Response Team, American Red Cross; 1982-86 District Volunteer Coordinator; 1980-82 Chairman of Volunteers, Ft. Ord CA; Instructor
- 1994-85 Chair, Take Christmas to the VA Hospital, San Francisco: providing gifts and poinsettias to patients and staff while caroling throughout halls
- 1992-1982 Board, Officers Wives Club, Presidio of San Francisco.

- HONORS

- 2016-2017 San Francisco Symphony “Volunteer of the Year”
- 2006 National Federation of Press Women’s “Communicator of Achievement,” its top annual award
- 2007 Mayor Gavin Newsom names Oct 1, 2007 as Betty Packard Day in San Francisco
- 2008 Proclamations to Betty Packard from the San Francisco Board of Supervisors and the San Francisco Elections Commission
- 1992 Honored by Pi Beta Phi, national Distinguished Alumnae Award
- 1992 Distinguished Service Awards from Governor of Texas and Mayor of San Antonio and 1976 Kentucky Colonel Award, Governor of Regina, Canada
- 2005-1971 1992-1974 various citations as speaker to various conventions, associations meetings, and workshops through the world (United States, Canada, Mexico, Europe, and Korea)
- 1999 National Federation of Press Women Individual Achievement in Print Journalism award winner
- 132 California Press Women, Women's Press Club of Indiana, and Public Relations Society of America writing awards
- 28 National Federation of Press Women writing award
- 1980-1971/1994-1995 National Board, NFPW
- 1980-1960 Various, Auto Racing Hall of Fame
- 1980-1974 Appointed by then Indiana Governor Otis R. Bowen to 6-year term on Indiana Addiction Services Committee
- 1974 Assisted in development of first employee assistance program for the State of Indiana
- 1979 Represented the United States as sole delegate to World Conference of Women Journalists, meeting in Seoul Korea
- 1979-72 Principal lobbyist in Indiana for Equal Rights Amendment Ratification; obtaining ratification by state legislature January 1978
- 1979-74 Chair, Indiana Legislative Awareness Seminar
- 1975 Appointed by Secretary of the Navy to 1975 National Security Forum

- 1976 Speaker, Life Insurance Association Annual Meeting in London
- 1974 Closing Speaker, Million Dollar Round Table Annual Meeting
- 1992-1974 Board of Directors, Independent Mutual Insurance Co, St. Louis MO
- 1973/80 Main Platform Keynote Address, Women Leaders Round Table, National Association of Life Underwriters
- 1973 Represented United States as one of 50 American women journalists invited by Soviet Union to USA/USSR meetings with journalists, politicians and educators

- Mother of two (Lisa L. Beaudry and James R. Packard III); grandmother of eight; great-grandmother of six

- Wife of Retired USA Major Stephen M. Voris

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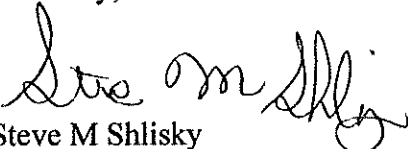
Victor Young
Director, San Francisco Department of Elections
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place
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San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Mr. Young

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Seat # (Required - see Vacancy Notice for qualifications): 3

Full Name: Michele C. Anderson

[Redacted] Francisco Zip Code: 94107
Occupation: Editor/journalist

Work Phone: 415-407-2620 Employer: Self-employed

Business Address: See above Zip Code: See above

Business Email: Mcanderson25@mac.com Home Email: [Redacted]

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I have lived in San Francisco for many years (full time since 1995) and am a member of the city's rapidly dwindling African American community. I have been active in the arts world, having served on two art boards (ArtSpan and the Achenbach Council for Graphic Arts), and believe in the importance of community activism.

Business and/or Professional Experience:


I am a retired lawyer (licensed in New York State), a journalist (21 years as an editor at the San Francisco Chronicle) and now a freelance editor and substitute teacher (San Francisco public schools).

Civic Activities:

I serve on the board of Editecetera, an editor group, and recently was the secretary of the board of directors of the Achenbach Council for Graphic Arts. I have been a member of the Ballot Simplification Committee for approximately 10 years.

Have you attended any meetings of the body to which you are applying? Yes No

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Date: June 25, 2026 Applicant's Signature (required): 

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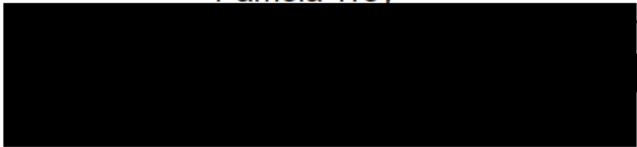
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Seat # (Required - see Vacancy Notice for qualifications):

Pamela Troy



Zip Code: 94109

Occupation: Writer

Work Phone: 415-757-8864

Employer: Self-employed

Business Address: 1329 Sacramento #5

Zip Code: 94109

Business Email: pamela_troy@hotmail.com

Home Email: [Redacted]

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I have lived in San Francisco for over thirty years, have worked in various fields including publishing, and tech, and spent several years teaching English literature and grammar at Star Learning, a summer school for Asian and Asian-American students. I worked for twenty years in the Events Department at the Mechanics' Institute, an important and longstanding cultural institution in San Francisco.

Business and/or Professional Experience:

In addition to working for several years in the high tech field of telecom, I worked for twenty years in the Events Department at the Mechanics' Institute, an important and longstanding cultural institution in San Francisco.

Civic Activities:

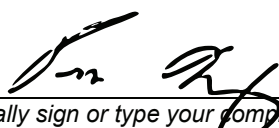
In addition to marching frequently, and engaging in civil disobedience at SFO in Trump's first term, I volunteered on the Ballot Simplification Committee in the summer of 2024.

Have you attended any meetings of the body to which you are applying? Yes No

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Date: 6/16/2024

Applicant's Signature (required):


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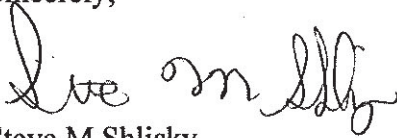
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Application for Boards / Commissions / Committees / Task Forces INSTRUCTIONS AND APPLICATION

San Francisco is a diverse City and County with a wide range of people and issues affecting it. In order to take advantage of the extensive experience and knowledge available throughout our communities, various Boards/Commissions/Committees/Task Forces have been established to bring that knowledge together. These groups and their membership requirements are established by legislation approved through the local, state, and/or federal government.

In addition to setting up the purpose and goals of the various groups, the governing legislation outlines the type of person - in terms of desirable skills and/or knowledge - who can contribute their knowledge and perspective. In this manner, a group of San Franciscans, who are representative of the City and County, can be active participants in addressing issues affecting the entire City and County.

If you are interested in serving the City and County of San Francisco, the following procedures are provided:

1. A list of vacancies and expected vacancies, with their qualifications, can be found at the Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors, at the San Francisco Main Public Library, and online on the Board of Supervisors' website (<https://www.sf.gov/board-of-supervisors-boards-commissions-task-forces-vacancy>). Please review this list for positions of interest.
2. Submit an application (https://media.api.sf.gov/documents/vacancy_application_english.pdf)
(List all of the appropriate seat number(s) and/or category/categories for which you qualify. We request applications be received ten (10) days before the scheduled hearing.)
Applicants may also need to submit a Form 700, Statement of Economic Interests (<https://www.fppc.ca.gov/Form700.html>), along with their application for all bodies listed in Campaign and Governmental Conduct Code, Section 3.1-103(a)(1).
3. If the seat(s) you are applying for is vacant and requires the Board of Supervisors' confirmation, the Rules Committee may schedule your application for review. Applicants should expect to appear before the Rules Committee to speak on their qualifications and answer questions during a public hearing.
(There are no set instructions on what you are expected to present to the Rules Committee; however, a brief description of how your qualifications distinguish you from other applicants, reasons for your interest in the subject, and/or a short summarization on why you would make a good candidate is appropriate.)
4. The Rules Committee may or may not make a recommendation for appointment. If a recommendation is made by the Rules Committee, the recommendation is forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for approval. It generally takes approximately 15 days from the date the Rules Committee makes their recommendation, for the individual to become officially appointed.
5. Depending on the type of organization, a new appointee may need to take an Oath of Office. If there are no vacancies, your application will be retained for one year. If any openings occur during this time, your application will be submitted to the Rules Committee for review.

If you have any further questions, please contact the Rules Committee Clerk at (415) 554-5184. If you require detailed information concerning the operations of a particular Board/Commission/Committee/Task Force, please contact the administering department directly.

(Applications must be submitted to BOS-Appointments@sfgov.org or to the mailing address listed above.)

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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board/Commission/Committee/Task Force: Ballot Simplification Committee

Seat # (Required - see Vacancy Notice for qualifications): 3

Full Name: Ruth Grace Wong

Zip Code: 94103

Occupation: Engineer

Employer: Self Employed

Business Address: _____ Zip Code: _____

Business Email: _____ Home Email: _____

Pursuant to Charter, Section 4.101(a)(2), Boards and Commissions established by the Charter must consist of residents of the City and County of San Francisco who are 18 years of age or older (unless otherwise stated in the code authority). For certain appointments, the Board of Supervisors may waive the residency requirement.

Resident of San Francisco: Yes No If No, place of residence: _____

18 Years of Age or Older: Yes No

Pursuant to Charter, Section 4.101(a)(1), please state how your qualifications represent the communities of interest, neighborhoods, and the diversity in ethnicity, race, age, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, types of disabilities, and any other relevant demographic qualities of the City and County of San Francisco:

I am a working parent of young kids, which adds age and life-stage diversity to the committee.

Business and/or Professional Experience:

I freelance as a technical writer on topics such as manufacturing and software development. I also edit Wikipedia, which is a similar type of deliberative writing process as the Ballot Simplification Committee.

Civic Activities:

I am currently the co-president of the League of Women Voters of San Francisco. We are an organization over 100 years old with a goal of improving democracy. We do this by:

- * Writing nonpartisan voter guides
- * Running candidate forums and recording candidate statements
- * Speaking about voter information to community groups

I am very personally invested in making sure that voting materials are legible to as many people as possible for an informed electorate.

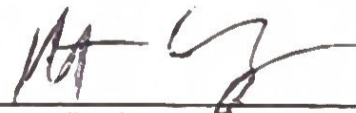
This would be my second term on the Ballot Simplification Committee.

Have you attended any meetings of the body to which you are applying? Yes No

An appearance before the Rules Committee may be required at a scheduled public hearing, prior to the Board of Supervisors considering the recommended appointment. Applications should be received ten (10) days prior to the scheduled public hearing.

Date: 06/20/2026

Applicant's Signature (required):



(Manually sign or type your complete name.
NOTE: By typing your complete name, you are hereby consenting to use of electronic signature.)

Please Note: Your application will be retained for one year. Once completed, this form, including all attachments, become public record.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:

Appointed to Seat #: _____ Term Expires: _____ Date Vacated: _____



June 10, 2026

San Francisco Board of Supervisors
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Ballot Simplification Committee nomination, Ruth Grace Wong

Dear Board of Supervisors,

This letter is to advise you that the Board of Directors of the League of Women Voters of San Francisco (LWVSF) is renominating Ruth Grace Wong as our League Representative for appointment to the Ballot Simplification Committee (Seat 3).

Ruth Grace Wong currently serves as our Co-President and has demonstrated her dedication to civic engagement and volunteerism. Ruth has done freelance writing, mostly about manufacturing, and edits Wikipedia in her spare time. She hopes to continue to contribute civically by way of the Ballot Simplification Committee through a similar kind of collaborative, deliberative writing process. Ruth is also working with others to build community and physical infrastructure so that kids and parents can be better integrated into adult social and civic life in San Francisco.

I am excited for Ruth to represent the League of Women Voters on the Ballot Simplification Committee and believe she will be an effective representative on the Committee to serve our fellow San Franciscans.

In unity,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kate Degelau-Pierce". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Kate Degelau-Pierce
Co-President, League of Women Voters of San Francisco

Empowering voters. Defending democracy.

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