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Committee Item No. 4

Board Item No. \_\_\_\_\_

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Date October 27, 2016

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

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Completed by: Derek Evans Date October 21, 2016

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City and County of San Francisco  
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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: \_\_\_\_\_

Seat # or Category (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

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Registered Voter in San Francisco: Yes  No  If No, where registered: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Business and/or professional experience:**

**Civic Activities:**

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment?      Yes  No

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**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_ **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 Seat was Vacated: \_\_\_\_\_

# JOSEPH PATRICK CALDERON

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### **Community Health Worker-Incarceration Specialist**

09/14-Present  
San Francisco, CA

#### Transitions Clinic

- Provide support, empowerment, education, and case management services, individually and in group settings, to recently released prisoners including those with co-morbid chronic diseases, substance use disorders, and mental illness;
  - Recruit patients to Transitions Clinic by outreach activities in the community, prison, or local jails;
  - Conduct periodic assessments of patient's substance use, physical activity, dietary habits, cigarette smoking habits, and social and economic resources;
  - Conduct home visits when appropriate and necessary;
  - Educate patients about the health care system and facilitates relationship building between the two;
  - Document work with patients through appropriate record keeping that follows the project's policies and procedures;
  - Make referrals for needed services and facilitates access to community resources;
  - Work in collaboration with partners of the Transitions Clinic Network
  - Advise patients and others regarding health care and other facilities available to them;
  - Assist patients in utilizing such services, makes follow-up contacts when required;
- Serve as liaison between the professional staff and the community Assist in gathering and evaluating data concerning the program to which assigned, may perform incidental clerical duties such as keeping records, answering the telephone and arranging client appointments;
- Accompany ambulatory patients between their homes and clinics, hospitals or other social agencies.

### **Outreach Coordinator and Workforce Developer**

08/13 – 09/14  
San Francisco, CA

#### Magic Zone

- Was responsible for all Outreach Coordination; field planning, networking and relationship building with local organizations, institutions, funders and political figures.
- Coordinated information distributions for Mo Magic, a coalition of out-of-school time programs that work with at-risk youth in the Western Addition; compile job listings and resources for transitional aged youth, disseminate the information to coalition members and conduct follow up.
- Developed job readiness and life skills curriculum for disconnected, in-risk youth.
- Facilitated workshops on site at several Western Addition housing developments.
- Co-facilitated a book club at the Human Rights Commission focused on "The Second Jim Crow" to empower youth and educate them about institutional discrimination.

### **Program Lead**

12/11 – 08/13  
San Francisco, CA

#### Magic Zone

- Organized and develop curriculum around vision development (goal setting), communication enrichment, and exercise engagement for middle school youth.
- Supervised fifty middle school youth during program year.
- Supervised and supported Community Lead staff; manage USF volunteers.

- Developed and facilitated STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) curriculum to middle school youth.
- Supported Magic Zone during community events (Summer Learning Day, backpack giveaway).

**Program Support**

8/11 -11/11  
San Francisco, CA

Opportunity Impact

- Experience working with children of all ages during school year and summer program.
- Supervised activities and sports programs.
- Light front desk responsibilities; answered phones, processed applications and membership payments.

**STEM Facilitator**

05/11-7/11  
San Francisco, CA

Growth Sector

- Facilitated hands-on science activities (including Stomp Rockets, Wiring a Telephone, and Sink or Float) to diverse populations of students at Opportunity Impact.
- Assisted staff with youth supervision during field trips and afternoon programming.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND COMMITTEES**

**Committee Member**

Equity Advisory Committee, Human Rights Commission

02/14 – 02/15  
San Francisco, CA

**Fellow**

New Leaders Council

01/14 – present  
San Francisco, CA

**Council Member**

San Francisco Reentry Council

- Helped organize and facilitate community meeting address the racial disparities within San Francisco County Jails
- Advocated for increased access to community mental health services for people on community supervision
- Working with city and community based organizations on the Work group to re-envision the jail Replacement Project

07/13 – present

**VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

**Mentor**

Omega Boys Club

- Established relationships with teen members through mentoring, boy’s groups and mural planning.

02/11 – present  
San Francisco, CA

**Volunteer**

Bloom Justice

- Weeded, landscaped, and planted trees in an effort to beautify Ella Hutch Community Center.

02/13 – present  
San Francisco, CA

**Mentor/ Volunteer**

Mission Beacon

Established relationships with teen members through mentoring, ’ groups and mural planning.

03/10 – 06/10  
San Francisco,

**EDUCATION**

**City College of San Francisco**

San Francisco, CA

- Fellow, California Teacher Pathway (CTP)
- 3.43 grade point average

1/2011-present

- Completed 12 units in Early Childhood Education (ECE)
- In progress: Diversity and Social Justice Certificate  
Community Health Worker Certificate (completed)

**Clara Kwun, L.C.S.W.**  
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September 28, 2016

Board of Supervisors Reentry Council  
Rules Committee  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
Room 244  
San Francisco, California 94102

Re: Joseph Calderon

Dear Rules Committee,

I am writing to urge you to reappoint Joseph Calderon to the Reentry Council. I am a social worker and a psychoanalyst in San Francisco. In that capacity, I am the co-chair for a series of clinical evenings at the San Francisco Center for Psychoanalysis. This is our 7<sup>th</sup> year of programming and we present programs that are focused on social justice while also being theoretically rigorous. Our target population is early career and seasoned social workers and well as mental health clinicians of all varieties who work in the public sector.

This evening we were lucky enough to have a panel of speakers that included Mr. Joseph Calderon. He is a remarkable speaker and teacher. What makes Joe Calderon stand out is his ability to see the big picture, think about policy and then weave a personal, individual story into his narrative. Tonight he was on a panel with his adult daughter, Jessica Calderon as well as Mr. Ernest Kirkwood and his son, Keesu Kirkwood. Our auditorium was nearly filled to capacity with an audience of 100 attendees. The auditorium at our center was struck with an enrapt silence as Joe Calderon and the other speakers generously helped us to understand what their lives were like. Mr. Calderon spoke movingly about the changes that he went through, the connections he made with other incarcerated men who were willingly to talk about the importance of their family relationships and how that impacted change in his violent behavior. He also met with a group of us earlier to help plan this event. Many people came to me at the end of the evening to let me know that this was one of the best events we have ever had. They also asked to have more of this kind of programming.

Mr. Calderon is a natural teacher and is especially adept at thinking on several levels at once. He was eloquent in articulating both his personal story but pointing out the impact of culture, politics, and violence on his life. The audience was very

moved and Joe made people able to think about trauma, violence, resiliency, and hopefulness. I think that you are very lucky to have him on your committee and I strongly urge you to retain him.

Please let me know if I can be of any further help.

Sincerely,

Clara Kwun, LCSW



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October 11, 2016

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

Dear Rules Committee,

I am writing to strongly endorse that the Committee re-elect Mr. Joseph Calderon to the San Francisco Reentry Council.

As the Program Manager for the Transitions Clinic Network, I've had the distinct honor of working besides Mr. Calderon in his capacity as Community Health Worker (CHW) based at Southeast Health Center. In his role as CHW at Transitions Clinic, Mr. Calderon is responsible for addressing the complex health and social needs of his clients, all of whom are recently released from incarceration.

Mr. Calderon serves as a model of successful reentry. He draws upon his personal history of incarceration, in-depth knowledge of the criminal justice, health and social service systems and firm belief in positive transformation to connect recently released individuals to holistic reentry services. Mr. Calderon has developed a sophisticated understanding of the reentry landscape in San Francisco and fostered many deep connections within this community.

In addition to providing individual mentorship and direct services, Mr. Calderon frequently speaks at local and regional events and has presented to diverse audiences. Recently he presented and facilitated a panel discussion at a convening of experts discussing the intersection of public health and criminal justice.

Mr. Calderon is also involved in high-level systems change work. He's participating in Health Homes, a Countywide Medicaid waiver initiative and has successfully advocated to increase access to mental health services for formerly incarcerated individuals. In his two terms as a Reentry Council Committee Member, Mr. Calderon worked with Adult Probation Department to organize a series of neighborhood meetings to address racial and ethnic disparities in our county jails, and is an active participant in the Re-Envisioning Jail Work Group.

Mr. Calderon is a fierce advocate who understands the barriers and facilitators to a successful reentry in San Francisco County. He is able offer the Reentry Council both pragmatic insight as well as sense of vision and hope. I urge you to re-elect him to the Council.

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Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Sincerely,

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Program Manager  
Transitions Clinic Network  
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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Reentry Council

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Board Appointee District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Angela R. Coleman

Home Address: ---- 14th Avenue, --- Zip: 94606

Home Phone: ----- Occupation: Case Manager/Facilitator

Work Phone: 4125-400-2641 Employer: Glide

Business Address: ██████ Ellis Street, ██████, San Francisco, CA Zip: 94102

Business E-Mail: acoleman@glide.org Home E-Mail: -----

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Check All That Apply:

Resident of San Francisco: Yes  No  If No, place of residence: Alameda County

Registered Voter in San Francisco: Yes  No  If No, where registered: Alameda County

**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 San Francisco native and raised here for most of my life. I lived in the Bayview, Fillmore, and Sunnydale communities. As an African American woman who was formerly incarcerated, I represent African Americans who are disproportionately impacted by incarceration and reentry. I work at Glide Foundation in social services in the Tenderloin neighborhood with a large post-release population of men and women. I work with people that come here to live post-release that are on parole or probation. I was also formerly incarcerated where I served 22 months in prison and 1 year in county jail, and am also in recovery from drugs and alcohol for 11 years. I graduated from Walden House in 2005. Ten years later in May 2015, I successfully graduated from City College San Francisco as a Drug and Alcohol Counselor.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

During my 11 years here at Glide I have held many different staffing positions: Security Monitor, Client Advocate, Family Case Manager and was host of Speak Out for 4 years. I am currently a Case Manager in Glide's Walk In Center and specifically focus on supporting the reentry population to stabilize and thrive. As Case Manager I serve a diverse population which I assist with goal planning, treatment options and assessments, housing assistance, basic needs, and connecting with primary care and mental health services. The Walk In Center served 2,964 unduplicated clients with 9,184 units of service in the fiscal year 2014-2015. In addition, to my role in the Walk-In Center, I also facilitate a Recovery Circle twice weekly for men and women who struggle with drug use and other addictions and provide them with individual counseling as needed. I have jail clearance and visit County Jail #2 every Monday to facilitate reentry support for women who will be exiting soon. I often correspond with incarcerated individuals who send us letters inquiring about services and support from prisons all over California, and many connect with me upon release.

**Civic Activities:**

I supported the Division of Adult Probation Operations West Bay PACT programming. I attended orientations meetings every Tuesday for 2 years and presented Glide and community-wide resources and information to individuals exiting prison.

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

Appointments confirmed by the Board of Supervisors require an appearance before the Rules Committee. Once your application is received, the Rules Committee Clerk will contact you when a hearing is scheduled. *(Please submit your application 10 days before the scheduled hearing.)*

Date: 02/08/16 Applicant's Signature: (required) Angela Coleman

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

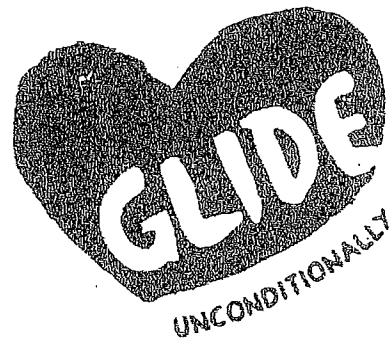
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Appointed to Seat #: \_\_\_\_\_ Term Expires: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Seat was Vacated: \_\_\_\_\_

24 February 2016

Honorable Katy Tang  
Board of Supervisors  
San Francisco City Hall  
1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place #244  
San Francisco, CA 94102



Dear Supervisor Tang,

It is with great honor and unwavering support that I submit this letter of support for Angela Coleman's appointment to the Reentry Council. Angela is currently employed at the Glide Foundation as a Case Manager/Facilitator a full-time position. Angela's story is one of perseverance, tenacity and the indomitable spirit of a human being.

Angela's resurrection from the depths of drug addiction and incarceration is a story of hope that allows everyone who hears it to be hopeful about their life. Angela has worked from being a client of the services of Glide to working on the front line of security services, facilitating recovery groups and now a Case Manager/Facilitator.

Angela continues to work on her sobriety after graduating from Walden House in 2005 and 2015 she graduated from City College San Francisco as a Drug and Alcohol Counselor.

As a former Assistant District Attorney for the City and County of San Francisco (1987-2010) I witnessed the the impact of drugs and repeated incarceration on the African-American community in San Francisco. Angela is a role model for African-Americans who like her were disproportionately the victims of the "War on Drugs" that resulted in extended incarcerations which made reentry into society nearly impossible. Angela continues to defy all of the odds and predictions of recidivism and has remained free from incarceration.

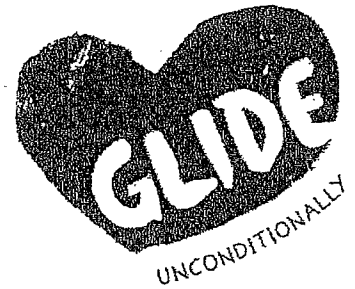
I can think of no better qualified, empathetic person to provide expert advice as a member of the Reentry Council, it is without any reservation that I urge you and the other members of the Rules Committee to unanimously vote to submit Angela's name before the full Board of Supervisors for appointment to the Reentry Council.

Grace and Peace,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Angela Brown".

Rev. Angela Brown, JD  
GLIDE Memorial United Methodist Church  
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Associate Pastor, Congregational Care and Advocacy

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February 23, 2016

Board of Supervisors City and County of San Francisco Rules Committee  
c/o Supervisor Katy Tang, Supervisor Malia Cohen and Supervisor Eric Mar  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisor Tang, Supervisor Cohen and Supervisor Mar,

On behalf of the GLIDE community, we are honored to provide our letter of strong support for Ms. Angela Coleman for her application for the Reentry Council of the City & County of San Francisco. Since 2005, Ms. Coleman has been employed with GLIDE and is a beloved member of the GLIDE family. She has served as a critical force in GLIDE's mission, programs and culture through her knowledgeable, deeply sensitive, and solution-driven approach to helping San Francisco's most marginalized and disenfranchised communities make meaningful changes in their lives as they struggle to break cycles of poverty, hunger, violence and addiction.

We have proudly witnessed her growth as a leader and her profound understanding of personal transformation. Ms. Coleman is a San Francisco native, born and raised across San Francisco's Bayview, Fillmore and Sunnysdale communities. Formerly incarcerated, in recovery from drugs and alcohol for the past 12 years, and a survivor of sexual abuse, she has deeply committed her life to healing, recovery and the reintegration of the lives of people who are incarcerated and formerly incarcerated. She currently serves as GLIDE's Walk-In Center's Case Manager working closely with the Tenderloin's post-release population of men and women on parole and/or probation.

She is fierce and fearless, and in fact, most determined to meet the needs of those we serve. Recognizing that each individual may walk through our doors with a lifetime of trauma, she skillfully relates with each person providing great empathy, respect and dignity with a unique understanding of our common need to give and receive. GLIDE is a place where we are all in recovery, and we celebrate one another's powerful journey of vulnerability and transformation. We believe Ms. Coleman approaches the adversity and challenges in her life with every intention to improve and better serve San Francisco.

She has been long respected and held in high esteem for her steadfastness in regards to the issues of hunger, poverty, recovery and violence in our communities; we wholeheartedly recommend Ms. Angela Coleman's appointment to the Reentry Council of the City & County of San Francisco. She represents the power and courage of transformation in her individual story as well as a contributing member of this beloved community of GLIDE and San Francisco.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janice Mirikitani".

Janice Mirikitani  
Co-Founder and Founding President

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cecil Williams".

Reverend Cecil Williams  
Co-Founder and Minister of Liberation

CC: Alisa Somera, Assistant Clerk

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LEADERSHIP TEAM: Cecil Williams, Founder • Janice Mirikitani, Founding President • Rita Shimmin, Co-Executive Director  
Kristen Gowney Yamamoto, Co-Executive Director • Karen Oliveto, Pastor

Evans, Derek

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**From:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 23, 2016 3:07 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** FW: Letter of Recommendation: Angela Coleman (Reentry Council of the City & County of San Francisco)

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**From:** Dori Caminong [mailto:DCaminong@glide.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 23, 2016 2:59 PM  
**To:** Tang, Katy (BOS) <katy.tang@sfgov.org>; Cohen, Malia (BOS) <malia.cohen@sfgov.org>; Mar, Eric (BOS) <eric.mar@sfgov.org>  
**Cc:** Quizon, Dyanna (BOS) <dyanna.quizon@sfgov.org>; Carol.Mo@sfgov.org; Summers, Ashley (BOS) <ashley.summers@sfgov.org>; Chan, Yoyo (BOS) <yoyo.chan@sfgov.org>; Bruss, Andrea (BOS) <andrea.bruss@sfgov.org>; Tugbenyoh, Mawuli (BOS) <mawuli.tugbenyoh@sfgov.org>; Lim, Victor (BOS) <victor.lim@sfgov.org>; Redondiez, Raquel (BOS) <raquel.redondiez@sfgov.org>; Pagoulatos, Nickolas (BOS) <nickolas.pagoulatos@sfgov.org>; Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>; Angela Coleman <AColeman@glide.org>  
**Subject:** Letter of Recommendation: Angela Coleman (Reentry Council of the City & County of San Francisco)

Dear Supervisor Tang, Supervisor Cohen and Supervisor Mar,

I am honored to write each of you in support of Angela Coleman, a candidate for the open seat on the Reentry Council of the City & County of San Francisco.

Angela Coleman is a woman who deeply inspires and provides great insight into the human spirit of resilience; she is a personal *shero* and colleague of mine at the GLIDE Foundation for the past 11 years. I have personally experienced her deep compassion and care for San Francisco's diverse and most challenging populations. She has mentored me in the art of active listening and daring to share your story. She has been deeply instrumental in helping individuals who often feel voiceless, invisible and forgotten feel seen, heard and supported as they move through the system. Through her empathetic embrace, we have witnessed hundreds of individuals make meaningful changes in their lives as they re-enter and reintegrate from lives of incarceration to mainstream society.

With a deep understanding of the human condition and a core commitment to GLIDE's values and mission, I highly recommend Angela Coleman for your kind consideration. I have no doubt she will serve the citizens of San Francisco with great passion and integrity on the Reentry Council of the City & County of San Francisco.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Dori Caminong  
Commissioner – Neighborhood Seat  
San Francisco Entertainment Commission

**DORICAMINONG**  
Manager – Special Events, Civic + Social Innovation

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1 [Appointment, Reentry Council - Angela Coleman]  
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3 **Motion appointing Angela Coleman, term ending June 1, 2016, to the Reentry Council.**  
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5       MOVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco does  
6 hereby appoint the hereinafter designated person to serve as a member of the Reentry  
7 Council, pursuant to the provisions of Administrative Code, Sections 5.1-1 through 5.1-6, for  
8 the terms specified:

9       Angela Coleman, seat 2, succeeding Dominique Rosa Leslie, resigned, must be a  
10 former inmate in the San Francisco County Jail, a California Department of Corrections and  
11 Rehabilitation facility, and/or a United States Bureau of Prison facility; and also have expertise  
12 in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system, for the unexpired portion  
13 of a two-year term ending June 1, 2016.  
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**City and County of San Francisco**

**Tails**

**Motion: M16-029**

City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

**File Number:** 160141

**Date Passed:** March 08, 2016

Motion appointing Angela Coleman, term ending June 1, 2016, to the Reentry Council.

February 25, 2016 Rules Committee - PREPARED IN COMMITTEE AS A MOTION

February 25, 2016 Rules Committee - RECOMMENDED

March 08, 2016 Board of Supervisors - APPROVED

Ayes: 11 - Avalos, Breed, Campos, Cohen, Farrell, Kim, Mar, Peskin, Tang,  
Wiener and Yee

File No. 160141

**I hereby certify that the foregoing Motion  
was APPROVED on 3/8/2016 by the Board  
of Supervisors of the City and County of  
San Francisco.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Angela Calvillo", written over a horizontal line.

**Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board**



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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: SF Reentry Council

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 451 District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Ernest M. Kirkwood

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Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: Reentry/Transitions Advocate

Work Phone: 415-471-5449 Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Golden Gate \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: 94102

Business E-Mail: kirkwoodernest@yahoo.com Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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Black heterosexual male  
 Seventy-four years of age  
 Multiple terms of incarceration; 1962-1971 and 1982-2012  
 Completed parole successfully  
 Community activist  
 Reentry and transitional specialist and advocate

**Business and/or professional experience:**

Healthright 360: cook, house manager, driver, warehouse worker, group facilitator  
Corner Store (restaurant): dishwasher  
San Francisco Forty Niners: guest services representative  
In Home Support Services (IHSS): consumer mentor  
City College of San Francisco Community Health Worker Studies Certificate Program: Fall 2013-2015 cohort  
Internship: Rose Hotel

**Civic Activities:**

Arch Diocese of San Francisco (Restorative Justice): volunteer  
San Francisco Sheriff's Department: volunteer (reentry pod; twice weekly)  
Legal Services for Prisoners with Children: volunteer  
All of Us or None: member  
WayPass (CCSF): volunteer  
San Francisco Center for Psychoanalysis: presenter  
San Francisco State University: presenter  
Mario Woods Coalition: member  
City wide community meetings in re: Burns Report on Racial and Ethnic Disparities: participant

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Date: 09/22/2016 Applicant's Signature: (required)

  
Ernest M. Kirkwood

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# Ernest Kirkwood

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## OBJECTIVE

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To contribute my personal and professional experiences with long-term incarceration, re-entering society, behavior modification, and cognitive thinking to address the transitional needs of long-term prisoners being released from incarceration via a mentoring or peer counseling position, and to take on an active role in support of Restorative Justice.

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### 2013-Present

- Peer Reentry Navigator Network (State Certified)
- Volunteer work at Walden House, and The Juvenile Justice Center
- Board of Supervisors Appointee to Reentry Council of San Francisco (2012'-Present)
- Chairman of Support and Opportunities (2014-Present)
- HealthRIGHT 360 Driver
- Completed CHW Certification Program
- Actively serving the community at speaking engagements (Noted at bottom)

### 2012 HealthRIGHT 360, San Francisco, CA

- As elected CORE Chairman at Walden House: mediate between CORE and staff; responsible for soliciting and coordinating input of CORE members into decision-making process and weekend house schedules; select agendas and preside over CORE meetings; direct the flow of business; and delegate responsibilities to team.
- As Single Living Environment House Manager on Treasure Island: perform regular morning and evening house checks; maintain daily log and make verbal reports of all activities and movement within the units; council clients as warranted; and work with supervisors to satisfy agency needs and requirements.
- As a volunteer, facilitated orientation check-in groups and was night-time on-call driver of facility van.

### 2009-2012 Higher Education Library Project (H.E.L.P.) – CTF Soledad (North)

- As Chairman, provided leadership and direction to executive body in scheduling and promotion of program;
- Promoted and facilitated rehabilitation through higher learning by supporting inmates who were seeking to earn their associates, baccalaureates, and post-graduate degrees from accredited institutions of higher learning.

### 2007-2012 Balanced Re-Entry Activity Group (B.R.A.G) – CTF Soledad (North)

- Responsible for the creation of sponsorship of self-help groups and classes
- Monitored the productivity and effectiveness of seven self-help classes/programs
- Delegated areas of responsibility to executive members

### 1997-2012 Inmate Advisory Council - CSP Soledad (North) & CSP Corcoran

- Chairman of Inmate Advisory Council for two and a half years; active member for five years (CSP Corcoran)
- Coordinated the efforts and responsibilities of council members
- Program Coordinator for Sensitive Needs Yard (CSP Soledad, North Facility)
- Created sub-committees and classes/programs to address the needs of the inmate population

### 1989-1994 Project Last Chance, Chairman – CMF Vacaville, CA

- Chairperson of PLC for one year & worked on executive body for five years
- Co-facilitated groups covering various topics such as substance abuse, parental abuse, self-esteem, peer pressure, and planning for the future
- Met with participants in one-on-one sessions to discuss personal issues if participants didn't feel comfortable talking in group settings
- Worked closely with probation supervisors to coordinate program that brought troubled youth into the prison
- Counseled youth who were currently on probation or had previous police contact
- Oriented youth to program and prison environment
- Built rapport with youth to be able to effectively provide services and council participants
- Facilitated discussions between participants and their parents

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## **EDUCATION & CERTIFICATES of COMPLETION**

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- Basic & Advanced Anger Management
- Life Skills
- Breaking Barriers
- Insight Prison Project: V.O.E.G. Facilitator Training, Phase 1 & 2
- Christian Basics
- Turning Point Modules 1-6
- Alternative to Violence Project
- Basic, Advanced, & Facilitator in Non-Violent Conflict Resolution
- Criminon
- Alcohol & Drug Awareness
- Non-Violent Communication
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### **Motivational/Inspirational Speaking Events**

- San Francisco Sheriff's Department ( San Bruno CJ #5, CJ#2,)
- San Francisco State University(SFSU)
- San Francisco City College(CCSF)
- San Francisco Center of Psychoanalysis
- SFSD "Raw Talk"
- Building Justice in San Francisco(Community Meetings)

**Clara Kwun, L.C.S.W.**  
**1610 Scott Street**  
**San Francisco, California 94115**  
**(415) 474-2011**  
**claraandjon@comcast.net**

September 28, 2016

Board of Supervisors Reentry Council  
Rules Committee  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
Room 244  
San Francisco, California 94102

Re: Ernest Kirkwood

Dear Rules Committee,

I am writing to urge you to reappoint Ernest Kirkwood to the Reentry Council. I am a social worker and a psychoanalyst in San Francisco. In that capacity, I am the co-chair for a series of clinical evenings at the San Francisco Center for Psychoanalysis. This is our 7<sup>th</sup> year of programming and we present programs that are focused on social justice while also being theoretically rigorous. Our target population is early career and seasoned social workers and well as mental health clinicians of all varieties who work in the public sector.

This evening we were lucky enough to have a panel of speakers that included Mr. Ernest Kirkwood. He is a remarkable speaker and teacher. What makes Ernest Kirkwood so unique is that he has a real capacity to be reflective and to think about the circumstances that brought him to commit the crimes that he was incarcerated for, and then also to think and talk about what he did to keep his humanity, to come to know himself and to become the citizen that he is today. He was so generous with his time but even more importantly with his experiences. He allowed a room of 100 clinicians learn about what it is like to be an incarcerated parent and to hear about the kind of connections, interventions and programs that helped him overcome his impulsive, violent history. He helped a group of clinicians learn something about intergenerational trauma, resiliency, and the role of relationship in healing.

The auditorium at our center was struck with an enrapt silence as Ernest generously helped us to understand what his life is like. Mr. Kirkwood also met with a group of us earlier to help plan this event. Many people came to me at the end of the evening to let me know that this was one of the best events we have ever had. They also asked to have more of this kind of programming.

Mr. Kirkwood is a natural teacher and has very powerful gifts for making connections with other people and getting them to think about trauma, violence, resiliency, and hopefulness. I think that you are very lucky to have him on your committee and I strongly urge you to retain him.

Please let me know if I can be of any further help.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Clara Kwun', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Clara Kwun, LCSW



# THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN FRANCISCO

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Tuesday, September 27, 2016

To Whom it May Concern:

Re: Ernest Kirkwood

My name is Julio Escobar.

I currently work for the Archdiocese of San Francisco as Director of its Restorative Justice Ministry, a Ministry of Presence. I have served in this role with the Archdiocese 8 years. A significant part of my current role is to lead and host the Archdiocese's annual Restorative Justice Reentry Conference and Resource Fair. Prior to this, I worked at Gap Incorporated for 15 years as Training and Development Director in the Information Technology division.

I originally met Ernest by attending early sessions The San Francisco Reentry Council's Subcommittee on Support & Opportunities. I no longer am active in this worthy reentry effort due to time constraints with other professional and spiritual commitments. However, Ernest reached out early on, and we've developed a meaningful and positive relationship based on service in restorative justice and reentry policy, barriers, and reforms.

In recent years, Ernest has helped in planning/logistical meetings with constructive suggestions and on-site with event operations for our annual Restorative Justice Reentry Conference and Resource Fair, and I look forward to his continued service in this regard for years to come.

Ernest has demonstrated his truthfulness in caring and making progress positively in people's lives through such efforts we have shared, and beyond in his work in reentry civil rights.

In conclusion, I find Ernest is a very positive model and genuine leader in our communities with the commitment to serve the neediest.

Based on my experience and knowing Ernest, I respectfully recommend Ernest so that he is able to serve others and meet his goals in life.

I swear under the penalty of perjury that the above is true and correct.

Respectfully,

Julio Escobar  
Archdiocese of San Francisco  
Restorative Justice Ministry, A Ministry of Presence  
Office: 415 614-5572



# SAN FRANCISCO PUBLIC DEFENDER

JEFF ADACHI -- PUBLIC DEFENDER  
MATT GONZALEZ -- CHIEF ATTORNEY



September 26, 2016

To whom this may concern,

I am pleased to write this recommendation for Ernest Kirkwood in support of his reappointment to the San Francisco Reentry Council.

I have had the pleasure of working alongside Mr. Kirkwood on the Reentry Council during his first term. I found him to be engaged, attentive to the issues, prepared and most importantly, he was committed to improving the City's response to the crisis in our prison system and the provision of reentry services to those released from prison. Mr. Kirkwood has been working on developing a reentry program for prisoners at CDC who do not have access to reentry services, and has also worked on an individual basis mentoring formerly incarcerated individuals. He has been very active in the Reentry Council's subcommittee and has made presentations to the group. Although Mr. Kirkwood has accomplished a great deal in his first term as a member of the Reentry Council, he still has much more that he can contribute towards improving our criminal justice system.

I urge and fully support his reappointment to the Reentry Council.

I can be reached at (415) 553-9520 should you have any questions. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Gonzalez".

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**Reentry Council**  
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PROJECT REBOUND

September 19, 2016

**From:** C. Jason Bell, MS

Director, (ASI) Project Rebound

San Francisco State University

**To:** Rules Committee

**RE:** Ernest Kirkwood

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As the Regional Director of Project Rebound in California, and lecturer at San Francisco State University I have had the privilege of working with Mr. Kirkwood for more than 4 years. I know Mr. Kirkwood to conduct himself in an exemplary manner, including the ability to act in a mentoring capacity to other students, as they navigate the challenges of pursuing a college degree. Mr. Kirkwood has an AA Degree, recently received his CHW Certification, and continues to be focused toward obtaining his Bachelorette Degree from San Francisco State University (SFSU).

I find Mr. Kirkwood to be a hard-working self-starter who is always seeking to further develop his knowledge on subjects that initially seem challenging. He has done a great job of presenting as guest speaker in my college criminal justice class for the last 3 years. I found that he has great skill at seeking and finding alternatives for uncontrollable variables that tend to present difficult situations. He is very well organized, and has done a great job in his reintegration process.

In closing, based on my experience in working with him, I can honestly say that Mr. Kirkwood is a sound candidate for reappointment to the San Francisco Reentry Council.

Respectfully submitted,

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Division of Adult Parole Operations  
San Francisco Parole Unit  
1727 Mission Street  
San Francisco, CA 94103



September 14, 2016

To whom it may concern:

I would like to recommend Ernest Kirkwood for a place on the San Francisco County Reentry Council. While on parole, Kirkwood was a shining example for his fellow parolees and the community. He volunteered on countless occasions to mentor other ex-offenders in peer support groups and re-entry programs.

Furthermore, Kirkwood helped put together the first state sponsored long-term offender support group in the country. With all of these accomplishments in hand, the Subject earned an early discharge from parole. Without reservation, I would recommend the Subject to serve on any committee or organization that requires great insight and innovation on re-entry issues.

Sincerely,

*Martín Figueroa*  
Martin Figueroa  
Parole Agent III  
San Francisco, Parole Unit 1.  
415-703-3164 ext. 255



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HEALTH EDUCATION AND WOMEN'S STUDIES  
DEPARTMENT



September 26, 2016

San Francisco Reentry Council  
1 Dr. Carlton Goodlett Pl  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Members,

It is my pleasure to recommend Ernest Kirkwood for a seat on the reentry council. I have known Mr. Kirkwood for forty-four years. In those forty-four years I've seen a real true change in Mr. Kirkwood. His commitment to people being released from prison is extraordinary, and since it is based on personal experience, wisdom, and education, it is invaluable.

Mr. Kirkwood has been wonderful in terms of donating resources to WayPass. We are a program that initially serves women, however due to the elimination of the EOPS Second Chance Program at City College of San Francisco (CCSF) we are now absorbing the overflow to include men as well now. Mr. Kirkwood has given us clothing; nice high end name brands. He spoke at several of our events and forums, and is usually available to do so. He's been great in terms of outreach; spreading the word of our program to venues specifically dealing with formerly incarcerated individuals. When needed he has always been willing to do whatever I've asked of him, which is really important in a program that has so many variables to consider.

It is very important to have a strong voice to advocate for people coming out of prisons and jails; we face so many barriers, and challenges, being free can be quite daunting. It is imperative that we have advocacy from our peers in organizations and groups that claim to represent our best interests.

It is our hope that Mr. Kirkwood will be reappointed to the council so that he may continue his work advocating for former prisoners and ensuring that our voices are heard and our needs met.

Should you have questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

*Phoebe Vanderhorst*  
Phoebe Vanderhorst  
Program Manager

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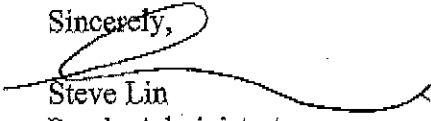
September 23, 2016

To whom it may concern:

I would like to recommend Mr. Earnest Kirkwood for a place on the San Francisco County Reentry Council. While on parole, Mr. Kirkwood volunteered on countless occasions to mentor other ex-offenders in peer support groups and re-entry programs. He is a passionate activist. He has actively involved in the community outreach to those ex-offenders that have highest needs and challenges,

Mr. Kirkwood has set a good example and inspired others in the community. He earned an early discharge from parole for his overall accomplishment and outstanding work that he has done in the community. As a member of San Francisco Reentry Council, he has made recommendations to support the initiatives that have positively affected the changes for the lives of the ex-offenders in San Francisco. Without reservation, I would recommend Mr. Kirkwood to serve on any committee or organization that requires great insight and innovation on re-entry issues.

Sincerely,

  
Steve Lin  
Parole Administrator  
West Bay District



September 27 2016

RE: Ernest Kirkwood

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is manuel la fontaine, and I am the Program Manager of Legal Services for Prisoners with Children (LSPC). I have been with LSPC since 2008. Founded in 1978, LSPC enjoys a long history advocating for the civil and human rights of people in prison, their loved ones and the broader community. Our vision of public safety is more than a lock and key. We believe that, in order to build truly safe and healthy communities, we must ensure that all people have access to adequate housing, quality health care and education, meaningful work and the ability to fully participate in the democratic process.

I have gotten the privilege and pleasure to know Ernest Kirkwood for the past 6 years. Ernest possesses a great deal of integrity, and constantly strives to make sure he is doing the right thing. He is constantly visiting our offices to keep informed of our best practices, and to ensure that he is representing the voices of those with limited or no representation in matters pertaining to their existence. I'm also aware of Ernest's weekly commitment to young people in the Juvenile Justice Center with the Omega Boys Club. He also volunteers some of his time with both, Walden House, and the Restorative Justice Programs under the Archdiocese of San Francisco.

I have the greatest respect for Ernest. He always interacts with people with the greatest compassion and empathy. He is respectful, trustworthy, and always willing to share his knowledge and experiences. It must be difficult for those of you who may not know Ernest to make decisions like this when you don't actually know the person standing in front of you, so I hope you will look at my letter and the countless others you're receiving, and understand that Ernest is the kind of person around whom people rally.

I urge you to consider Ernest Kirkwood for reappointment to the SF Reentry Council. He would be a strong and valuable contributor.

Thank you for your consideration. Please call me (415) 637-8195 or 415-255-7036 ext. 328) if you have questions or want further information to support his release from parole.

Sincerely,

manuel la fontaine  
Program Manager  
Legal Services for Prisoners with Children

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# OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

PRISONER LEGAL SERVICES  
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VICKI L. HENNESSY  
SHERIFF

September 20, 2016

Hon. Katy Tang  
Hon. Malia Cohen  
Hon Eric Mar  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
Rules Committee  
San Francisco City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Recommendation to reappoint Earnest Kirkwood to the SF Reentry Council

Dear Supervisors Tang, Cohen and Mar:

I am writing to wholeheartedly recommend Mr. Earnest Kirkwood be reappointed to a designated ex-offender seat on the San Francisco Reentry Council. Mr. Kirkwood spent 29 years incarcerated for two counts of second degree murder and was paroled on January 12, 2012. He has been a sitting member of the SF Reentry Council, works for Health Right 360 and has obtained his Community Health Care Worker Certificate from CCSF. During this time, he earned an early discharge from parole – a feat that is not to be taken lightly. Additionally, Earnest spends much of his free time speaking to and working with many of the men and women currently incarcerated in our jails as well as making appearances at community and educational institutions educating the rest of us on what it means to be an ex-offender and how we can change our systems to better break down systemic barriers to reentry.

I first met Mr. Kirkwood when he was keynote speaker at Grace Cathedral for the Archdioceses Reentry Fair in 2103. I was impressed from the start as he recounted how he ended up in prison, the process of getting paroled and how he was ultimately successful in navigating the many barriers to successful reentry. I later sat down with Mr. Kirkwood and had a chance to get to know him a little better. During our conversation I asked him how long he had been in prison before he turned his life around in order to be approved for parole. He told me that at about 14 years in he realized that if he went through the motions and participated solely for the benefit of the parole board—even if he was granted parole—he would not be successful upon release. It was then that he made the decision to work on himself and that was when things became clearer and the real change began.

Needless to say, this is the message that we want the population we serve to hear. They need to want to change and want to do it for themselves with no extrinsic reward. The fact is that going through the

motions just to get out of jail, receive a lighter sentence or get a job, is not going work and the value of having someone like Mr. Kirkwood deliver this message is without parallel.

Finally, I have attended many Reentry Council meetings and have always been impressed with Mr. Kirkwood's thoughtful and articulate contributions. Moreover, as an attorney and an ex-offender myself, I find his zealous advocacy for the population we are attempting to serve and his willingness to speak up on a distinguished panel of elected officials and department heads is without parallel. If Mr. Kirkwood is not reappointed it will be a loss for the entire reentry community.

Thank you for your consideration and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,



Nick Gregoratos  
Dir. Attorney



To Whom It May Concern;

I have had the pleasure of knowing Ernest Kirkwood for many years. As a young adult he was both a mentor and much admired man in my life. As an adult he has become an amazing peer in this Reentry field. His openness and willingness to learn and trade ideas is insightful and sincere.

Earlier this year Ernest started coming to A pod to speak to our men about Reentry and various resources to assist them getting out and staying out. He has been a great support to the men and has even started co-facilitating with one of our partners, Raw Talk. It's has been great work happening with the men and it's greatly appreciated.

Ernest is truly an inspiration to everyone that he encounters and it's is my great privilege to know him.

Should you need any other information please feel free to contact me at (415)-948-3641.

Sincerely,

Terye Lewis



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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Board of Supervisors Seat-Reentry Council

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Reentry Council District: SF

Name: James L. Lowden Jr.

Home Address: Market st. Zip: 94102

Home Phone: Occupation: Student

Work Phone: 415-961-2576 Employer: NA

Business Address: N/A Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business E-Mail: N/A Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Pursuant to Charter, Section 4.101(a)(2), Boards and Commissions established by the Charter must consist of electors (registered voters) of the City and County of San Francisco. For certain other bodies, the Board of Supervisors can waive the residency requirement.

**Check All That Apply:**

Resident of San Francisco: Yes  No  If No, place of residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Voter in San Francisco: Yes  No  If No, where registered: \_\_\_\_\_

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:

As a formerly incarcerated Native American and a student at CCSF (transfer to SFSU in fall 2016) I have a unique perspective from a street level view in the city. Many times I do homework at the SF main library on Hyde. Commute on public transportation daily (BART, MUNI) to Mission Campus & Downtown campus. I lived in the Tenderloin 1yr before moving near City College. I am 54 yrs old. Attend AA meetings around the City & have a good view of City life in SF.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

Currently enrolled in the Project ReMADE at  
Stanford University (Entrepreneurship Program)  
Customer Service Specialist (ETA)  
Business Certificate from Coastline Community College  
Trained in Kaizen Lean Manufacturing Methodology

**Civic Activities:**

Member / Volunteer for the Leadership Academy (ADP-SF)  
(Steve Adami - Reentry Resources Coordinator)  
Member of the SF. Reentry Council Subcommittee

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

Appointments confirmed by the Board of Supervisors require an appearance before the Rules Committee. Once your application is received, the Rules Committee Clerk will contact you when a hearing is scheduled. (Please submit your application 10 days before the scheduled hearing.)

Date: 12-28-15 Applicant's Signature: (required)

*James Lowden*  
(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.

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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Re-entry Council

Seat # or Category (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ District: SF

Name: Kimberli M Courtney

Home Address: ██████████ San Francisco, CA Zip: 94112

Home Phone: ██████████ Occupation: Reentry Coordinator

Work Phone: 415-821-2400 Employer: 5 Keys Charter School

Business Address: ██████████ Oakdale Rd San Francisco, CA Zip: 94124

Business E-Mail: kimc@5keyscharter.org Home E-Mail: ██████████

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I am qualified for this seat because I am a former inmate from both the San Francisco County Jail and the State of California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. In 2004 I started my own reentry process where I experienced many struggles and obstacles. During this time I utilized all the resources I could get my hands on including drug treatment, job training and housing options. I believe that my experience battling homelessness and overcoing drug addiction and poverty have made me a great advocate for improving reentry services in San Francisco.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

Since 2008 I have been working as the Reentry Coordinator for the San Francisco Sheriff's Department 5 Keys Charter School where I work directly with inmates coming out of the San Francisco County Jail system. I complete thorough assessments on clients to determine the level of care needed and then support them throughout the process.

Before that I worked as a Case Manager at the Bayview Family Resource Center. There I worked with victims of both domestic violence and community violence. While in this position I was able to get into the community and help others affected by poverty and violence by connecting them with services available to them.

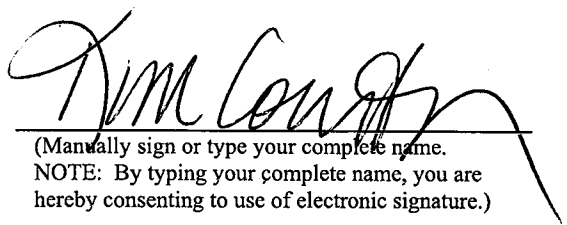
**Civic Activities:**

I donate time to the Womens Resource Center and help in the planning of the annual Breast Cancer Awareness Event. I am also involved in the In-custody Resource Fair where we bring into the county jail the community service providers, job training and employers who are willing to hire individuals with a criminal background. I advocate daily to get more services for this population because I love San Francisco and I want to make it a better place to live for everyone.

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

Appointments confirmed by the Board of Supervisors require an appearance before the Rules Committee. Once your application is received, the Rules Committee Clerk will contact you when a hearing is scheduled. *(Please submit your application 10 days before the scheduled hearing.)*

Date: 9/16/16 Applicant's Signature: (required)

  
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# Five Keys Schools and Programs

CHARTER ~ ADULT ~ INDEPENDENCE

Founded by San Francisco Sheriff's Department

70 Oak Grove St. San Francisco, CA 94107

(415) 734-3310 phone (415) 734-3314 fax

September 28, 2016

To Whom It May Concern:

I enthusiastically recommend Five Keys Schools and Programs' reentry coordinator, Kim Courtney to join the Reentry Council.

Kim has been our reentry coordinator for 7 years where her main responsibility is connecting the incarcerated individuals with housing and programs upon release from jail. Five Keys runs jails programs in 6 counties in California, I can say with 100% certainty, there is no one better at connecting people to housing and programs than Kim.

There literally has been many times when I personally called Kim and said I needed immediate housing, or placement in a drug treatment program for one of our clients. Kim has NEVER failed to meet my request when it's an emergency.

I've seen Kim repeatedly pick individuals up from jail upon release and transport them to facilities. I've seen Kim walk the Tenderloin looking for clients that have relapsed or fallen off of our radar. Her commitment is unparalleled.

I have reported many times over the years to the Sheriff's of San Francisco, that Kim has placed more individuals in treatment and housing, than all of the other case managers and 8420's combined.

As a case manager / reentry coordinator Kim is excellent at working with inmate programs and building a culture of success for all students and inmates. She has the ability to seek out and analyze information and offer reasonable solutions in a quick efficient manner. Kim has the ability to guide students / inmates in a positive direction. She also has great rapport with every level of staff and all students /inmates. She is always working hard to make a positive impact in our school community.

One of Kim's key strengths lies in her personal motivation. She is a self-starter and has the intuition to prioritize the job. She is professional and at ease in dealing with her supervisors and fellow employers. She is capable of performing under pressure and is able to think on her feet. Throughout the day, she is challenged by countless situations, which she tackles head on and finds the most appropriate solution to resolve the problem. Based upon our interaction, I feel that she possesses the knowledge and experience to meet any challenge, especially those that may be encountered in a correctional setting.

Kim Courtney is smart, confident, and caring, and will once again make an important contribution to the Reentry Council if she is appointed.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S. Good", written in a cursive style.

Steve Good  
Executive Director



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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Re-Entry Counsel

Seat # or Category (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ District: 6

Name: Windy Click

Home Address: ██████████ Street ██████████ Zip: 94103

Home Phone: ██████████ Occupation: Peer Advocate

Work Phone: 415 749-2115 Employer: Hospitality House

Business Address: ██████████ Turk Street Zip: 94102

Business E-Mail: wclick@hospitalityhouse.org Home E-Mail: ██████████

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Check All That Apply:

Resident of San Francisco: Yes  No  If No, place of residence: \_\_\_\_\_

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While I was incarcerated I served on the Women's Advisory Board (WAC) and I was the Chair of the Long Termers' Organization (LTO). Which represents the institution as a whole.

At the present moment, I am a Peer Advocate at Hospitality House, I advocate for all the communities and neighborhoods.



**Business and/or professional experience:**

I have experience with re-entry into society after serving a life term. The support I received during the process and the issues needed to assist in re entering.

**Civic Activities:**

Planning Commission Hearing, affordable housing  
Board of Supervisor's Hearing, affordable housing  
Freedom is a Constant Struggle, Kiilu Nyasha  
Budget Hearing, Capital Building, Sacramento  
Western Regional Advocacy Project, Right to Rest  
Survived and Punished, domestic survivor

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

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Date: 12/24/15 Applicant's Signature: (required) Windy Click

(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Reentry Council

Seat # or Category (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Jose Bernal

Home Address: [Redacted] San Francisco CA Zip: 94121

Home Phone: [Redacted] Occupation: Case Manager

Work Phone: 415-749-2110 Employer: Hospitality House

Business Address: [Redacted] Turk St. San Francisco CA Zip: 94102

Business E-Mail: Jbernal@hospitalityhouse.org Home E-Mail: [Redacted]

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Check All That Apply:

Resident of San Francisco: Yes  No  If No, place of residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Registered Voter in San Francisco: Yes  No  If No, where registered: Ineligible to register

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As someone who was raised in San Francisco's infamous Tenderloin District, I understand extreme poverty, income inequality, human desperation, desolation and human degradation first hand. Of Hispanic heritage, I hold deep values for family unification, hard work and social justice.

After serving a 30 month sentence; I am currently in my second year post release from my incarceration. I have come to fully grasp and recognize the many obstacles and harsh barriers members of the reentry community encounter. Having a background in criminal justice and trained at a police academy, I perhaps understand a greater scope of issues around our criminal justice system and the San Francisco reentry community at large.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

832 Arrest Course, P.O.S.T Certificate San Jose Evergreen Valley College  
Former San Francisco Sheriff's Department Cadet. 2008-2011  
Received training from the Napa Valley Criminal Justice Training Center, Regional Police Academy Class #81. 2010-2011  
Employed as a peer advocate for the San Francisco non-profit, Hospitality House. 2014  
Advanced from peer advocate-to- Case manager. 2015  
Currently the Case manager for the Hospitality House Shelter Program. 2015-present  
Currently a program monitor for the San Francisco non-profit, Swords to Plowshares, Safe Haven Residential program for veterans. Present  
Certified by Stanford University, Entrepreneur courses, Project Remade Class of 2015

**Civic Activities:**

Active member, Support and Opportunities Subcommittee of the Reentry Council.

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

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Date: 12/22/15

Applicant's Signature: (required)



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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: RE-ENTRY

Seat # or Category (If applicable): \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: ROBERT EARL NEWT JR.

Home Address: [REDACTED] Street Zip: 94102

Home Phone: [REDACTED] Occupation: Street Outreach (SVIP)

Work Phone: (415) 312-0680 Employer: San Fran. Violence Intervention

Business Address: [REDACTED] Thomas Mellon Circle Zip: 94134

Business E-Mail: Rnewt@WALHOUSE Home E-Mail: [REDACTED]

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Check All That Apply:

Resident of San Francisco: Yes  No  If No, place of residence: Vallejo, CA

Registered Voter in San Francisco: Yes  No  If No, where registered: Vallejo

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*Qualifications consist of prior incarceration; Completing the expungement process; serving on a anti-violent organization; intensive mentorship counseling at risk - high risk youth 16-30. Currently employed for (SVIP)*

**Business and/or professional experience:**

OVER 20 YEARS of street Experience dealing with Violent & Mental Individuals; Currently Enrolled in College obtaining a Post Prison Certificate to increase my knowledge of the field of Re-entry to better service the clients that BARRIERS

**Civic Activities:**

Community Relationship Building  
Organized Community Rally's and Events  
Collaborate with other CBO's and Organizations  
Cultural Diversity & Humility

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

Appointments confirmed by the Board of Supervisors require an appearance before the Rules Committee. Once your application is received, the Rules Committee Clerk will contact you when a hearing is scheduled. (Please submit your application 10 days before the scheduled hearing.)

Date: 12/20/2015 Applicant's Signature: (required)

*Robert Nevel Jr.*

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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Reentry

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 2, 3, Any dep District: 7

Name: Marvin Mutch

Home Address: [Redacted] Dr, SF Zip: 94132

Home Phone: 510-851-2592 Occupation: Justice Advocate

Work Phone: same Employer: self

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-Mail: marvinmutch@gmail.com

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Check All That Apply:

Registered voter in San Francisco: Yes  No  If No, where registered: on parole

Resident of San Francisco:  Yes  No If No, place of residence: \_\_\_\_\_

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:

*See attached resume*

**Business and/or professional experience:**

*see attached resume*

**Civic Activities:**

*see attached resume*

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment? Yes  No

For appointments by the Board of Supervisors, appearance before the RULES COMMITTEE is a requirement before any appointment can be made. (*Applications must be received 10 days before the scheduled hearing.*)

Date: 8/23/16 Applicant's Signature: (required) *Mi May* 8/23/16

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(Form effective July 2011)

**Seats 1, 2, 3, and 4: Former inmates of the San Francisco County Jail, a California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facility, and/or a United States Bureau of Prisons facility**

Enter your name, mailing address and daytime telephone number in the spaces provided. Because this form is a document available for public review, you may provide a business or office address, telephone number and e-mail address instead of your home address or other personal contact information.

Print Name: Marvin Mutch (Mutch)  
Home Address: 12 [REDACTED] Dr Zip: 94132  
Home Phone: 510-851-2592 Occupation: Justice Advocate  
Work Phone: same Employer: Self  
Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail Address: marvinmutch@gmail.com FAX #: \_\_\_\_\_

*It is a requirement that all appointees to Seats 1, 2, 3, and 4 of the Reentry Council have been an inmate in the San Francisco County Jail, a California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facility, and/or a United State Bureau of Prison facility. Please answer all of the following questions.*

1. Have you ever been an inmate of (check all that apply):

San Francisco County Jail?  yes

California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation\* facility?  yes

United States Bureau of Prisons facility?  yes

\*California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) operates the facilities previously operated by the California Department of Corrections (CDC) and the California Youth Authority (CYA).

2. The person appointed to Seat 2 must have expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system. Do you have experience or expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system?  yes  no If yes, please describe:

Recently released after serving 41 years after serving on a 7 to life term (on 2/17/16.)  
see attached resume for life experience while incarcerated in CDCR



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3. The person appointed to *Seat 3* must have been released from custody within two years of his or her appointment. If you were released from custody within the last two years, on what date were you released? 2/17/16

4. The person appointed to *Seat 4* must have served multiple terms of incarceration. Multiple terms could include more than one term served in the same facility, or more than one term served in different facilities. Have you served multiple terms of incarceration?  yes  no

5. What was your experience transitioning back to San Francisco after having been incarcerated? What helped you? What were the barriers? Helped: strong family and community support system. Working with founder incarcerated men and women and SOI(B) groups and the monthly BRWN mtg at the parole office. Barriers: Initial transitional restriction and programming, tailored for short term offenders - not returning lifers.

6. How can we help other people transition from prisons and jails more successfully? How can we help people permanently exit the criminal justice system? Individualized and evolved transitional programs to meet the differing needs of returning parolees and probationers.

7. What do you hope that the Reentry Council will achieve? Having attended a few meetings, I have come to understand that SF has the most progressive parole policies and programming in the nation. I would hope that the Reentry Council would become a model for other jurisdictions.

If necessary, please attach supplemental sheet(s) and/or attachments.

**Marvin Mutch**  
510-851-2592  
[marvinmutch@gmail.com](mailto:marvinmutch@gmail.com)

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**Objective:** I am seeking a position that will allow me to continue to advocate for underserved populations and correct the traumatic physical and psychological violence associated with mass incarceration and the unfair application of law in California.

### **Advocacy Work and Prisoners' Rights**

Founding member and Elected Chairman of the Men's Advisory Council (MAC) for 27 years.

- The MAC is a prisoner advocacy group with bodies in all 33 prisons intended and designed to communicate and advance the rights of prisoners to programs and fair treatment, and to compel, through litigation and legislation, an evolving reform of California's prison system.

Chair of the Statewide Council on Inmate Affairs, representing the interests of all 33 MAC executive bodies to Sacramento.

- Elected by collective vote of the Advisory Councils at each of California's 33 prisons.
- Successfully negotiated expansion of educational, vocational and rehabilitative services, including access to computer software and technology.

Filed hundreds of administrative appeals and petitions, as well as State and Federal writs.

- Successfully appealed to provide community standard healthcare for prisoners with AIDS and Hepatitis C. The successful litigation on behalf of one prisoner resulted in the CDCR making available a new and more effective Hepatitis C treatment that has improved the lives of hundreds of infected prisoners over the past 15+ years.
- Researched and composed administrative and state appeals resulting in early reforms in California's administrative segregation policies and procedures, such as the requirement that prisoners in Ad Seg be provided with appropriate cleaning supplies, showers, time outdoors and hot food served within view of the prisoner (Toussaint v. McCarthy).
- Under my leadership, San Quentin's MAC was at the forefront of the movement to desegregate and mainline transgendered inmates, thereby providing equal access to rehabilitative and educational programming, without which it was shown they were serving lengthier terms.

### **Grassroots Community Organizing and Support Programs**

- Facilitated multiple fundraisers and charitable events, raising over \$1.5M in 15 years to support victims of violent crime, disaster relief and effective, prisoner-facilitated self-help and growth programs.
- Sought out and established training and state certification courses in crisis intervention and trauma counseling, and created a first-of- its-kind team of 14 peer intercessors aptly named "Brother's Keepers," all trained and qualified to spot signs of depression and suicidal potentialities and intercede before tragic decisions could mature into action.
- Lobbied for, and realized, a hugely successful on-grounds university degree program run by the Prison University Project, as well as computer technology and Microsoft certification programs.

- Negotiated onsite CAADAC courses that realized the first inmates in the nation to become state certified Drug and Alcohol Counselors.
- Created, participated, and received certifications in a Restorative Justice modeled Victim/Offender Reconciliation Group.
- Organized a Computer Network Team of inmates to build computers from scratch, learn several programming languages, and eventually author multiple software programs for Prison Industry Authority valued at over \$150k, including a payroll program that replaced a manual process in the prison's accounting office.

### **Mediation and Collaboration**

Engaged in ongoing mediation and negotiations with everyone from warring prison gangs, to the guard's union (CCPOA), San Quentin's Warden and often the Secretary of Corrections. Typical to these efforts would be:

- Following a 2006 race riot, with reactive violence spreading to 2 additional institutions, I brought together a subcommittee with representatives from each of the major racial factions to mediate a peace and to examine the underlying causes of racial tension in the prisons. More than a year of negotiations culminated in a first ever Day of Peace, with 1400 prisoners participating without incident; the day closed with over 1000 prisoners signing a contract banner indicating their willingness to live as a community. The Day of Peace is now an annual event at San Quentin, and the violence that spurred us to action was quelled.
- Worked in collaboration with staff and the Western Association of Schools and Colleges as a stakeholder in the accreditation process for the Mountain Oaks Adult Education Center, including meeting with the review committee to provide input on resource management and development, student learning, life skills, re-entry resources and computer-based curriculum and courseware.

### **Technical Skills**

Microsoft Technology Certification including setup of Microsoft, Exchange and Sharepoint servers; Intel A+ Certification

### **References (additional references available upon request)**

- Marcia Blackstock, [marcia@bawar.org](mailto:marcia@bawar.org), Executive Director, Bay Area Women Against Rape
- Jody Lewen, [jlewen@prisonuniversityproject.org](mailto:jlewen@prisonuniversityproject.org), Executive Director, Prison University Project.
- Jeanne Woodford, [jeannewoodford@comcast.net](mailto:jeannewoodford@comcast.net), Executive Director, Death Penalty Focus. Former Undersecretary of CDCR and Warden of San Quentin State Prison.
- Heidi Rummel, [hrummel@law.usc.edu](mailto:hrummel@law.usc.edu), Clinical Professor of Law and Director, Post-Conviction Justice Project, USC Gould School of Law.
- Susan Rutberg, [smrutberg@gmail.com](mailto:smrutberg@gmail.com), Northern California Innocence Project, Professor at Golden Gate University School of Law.
- Michael Snedeker, [m.snedeker@comcast.net](mailto:m.snedeker@comcast.net), Founding member of Prison Law Office, author of California State Prisoners Handbook

Marvin Mutch  
San Francisco, CA  
(510) 851-2592

August 24, 2016

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
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RE: Reentry Council

Rules Committee:

My name is Marvin Mutch. After researching the areas of focus central to the Reentry Council seat(s), I believe my experience over the course of a lifetime has been preparatory to this application.

In my life I have been an intimate, albeit unwilling, participant in not only the foster care and juvenile justice systems in California (starting at the age of four) but her Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR) as well. I was only recently released from a California prison on February 17, 2016, after having served 41 years of an indeterminate seven-years-to-life term for a crime I did not commit.

I am free today due wholly to the efforts of Professor Heidi Rummel of the USC Post Conviction Justice Project, Professor Emeritus Susan Rutberg from the Golden Gate University Wrongful Conviction Clinic, Attorney Michael Snedeker of Snedeker and Short, and the law firm of Morrison and Foerster here in San Francisco.

I appeared before the Parole Board 22 times over the course of 40 years and was found suitable for release on three separate occasions; however, both the first and second established release dates were reversed at the last possible moment by Governors Davis and Schwarzenegger, respectively, with the third suitability finding coming 10 years later under Governor Brown and surviving review.

It is important to note the extent of my training and how it began... I entered San Quentin a frightened and angry young teen, facing the prospect, in my mind, that I may well die in prison. I joined the Prisoner's Union early on and was an active organizer and litigator until its debilitating implosion in 1977. While the Prisoners Union continued to exist in one form or another after 1977, it was never able to regain its initial momentum; times and politics had changed, and our outside supporters had moved on to a new cause.

For this reason, I felt compelled to rewrite the original proposed platform for the Prisoner's Union, marry it to a diversionary grievance process established by a previous San Quentin Warden, and form the first Men's Advisory Council at San Quentin (a prisoner advocacy group designed to communicate and advance the rights of prisoners to programs and fair

treatment, and to compel, through litigation and legislation, an evolving reform of California's prison system).<sup>i</sup>

Throughout the four decades I was incarcerated, I personally penned and crafted several hundred administrative grievances (i.e., CDCR-602s), writs and petitions, and represented the collective rights and needs of as many as 174,000 men and women at CDCR's highest point of population.

In addition to our prisoner rights and advocacy work, our group conducted fundraisers and charitable events to support victims of violent crime and disaster relief. We created truly effective, prisoner-facilitated, self-help and -growth programs. And we lobbied for, and realized, a hugely successful on-grounds university degree program, as well as computer technology and Microsoft certification programs.

We also successfully negotiated onsite Certified Alcohol Drug Counselor (CADC) courses that enabled the first inmates in the nation to become state-certified Drug and Alcohol Counselors. Further, we created, participated, and received certifications in a truly restorative Victim/Offender Reconciliation Group; sought out and established training and state certification courses in crisis intervention and trauma counseling; and created a first-of-its-kind team of peer intercessors aptly named "Brother's Keepers," to spot signs of depression and suicidal potentialities and intercede before tragic decisions could mature into action.<sup>ii</sup>

Crucially, having once been a participant in both the juvenile justice and foster care systems, I have lived the issues surrounding many troubled youth. Without the necessary knowledge and guidance to self-actualize and understand the justice they are guaranteed, the nation's youth are fatally disadvantaged with little or no path to the processes and protections they are due.

Although I have been gone from public sight for 41 years and have been free only a short six months, I believe I am uniquely qualified, by virtue of my intimate and extensive interaction with California's criminal justice system, to fulfill the areas of focus outlined in the posted seat qualifications.

In my experience as an activist, I have recent (2015-16) expert training certifications from Microsoft and have worked in office management nearly my entire incarceration. I have honed my planning and problem solving skills, and I believe a cooperative and inclusive team effort is key to any successful endeavor.

As both a justice advocate and litigator over the past 41 years, I have come to know that in order to truly establish and affect a restorative model of any kind—one that will have the greatest impact on a failing system—all stakeholders must be involved.

In conclusion, after more than 16 years of collective representation, the Innocence Project and their associates were successful in pleading my case before the Board and compelling my release, but not before suffering 41 years in the penitentiary and appearing before the Board 22 times.

The system, as it exists today, is horribly broken. It is self-perpetuating, creating at one level what it needs for the next. But there is a growing light, and I would like the opportunity to contribute to the evolution of California's criminal justice and parole policies.

While I do not hold a juris doctor degree, I lobbied, litigated, gave speeches, presentations and tours, wrote letters and writs, brokered peace and cooperative living agreements, and engaged in ongoing mediation and negotiations with everyone from warring prison gangs and the guard's union (CCPOA), to the Warden and often the Secretary of Corrections. And I was personally involved in the planning and implementation of every project and program involving the Men's Advisory Council.

In retrospect, I will admit that my actions were often compelled by my own lifelong need to realize fairness and a just resolution over things I perceived as unjust. This did not always make me popular with those who kept the watch, but the drive to make sure that due process was followed, that policy made sense, and that the stakeholders were heard made the wall that divided the incarcerated from the rest of the world seem manageable. The risk of not trying was not an option.

However, after years of effort, and the help of an ever growing number of individuals with the vision to see through the shadows, there remains a real hope that our battered communities may yet realize a restorative and synergetic solution to the problems plaguing California's juvenile and criminal justice systems, as well as her failed sentencing and correctional policies.

I would like the opportunity to meet with the Rules Committee members before you make your decision concerning the offered seat(s). My portfolio is a collection of activist platforms designed to reform California's prisons and mass incarceration policies, the CDCR and the Board of Parole Hearings, as well as a continuing advocacy aimed at correcting the traumatic physical and psychological violence associated with incarceration and the unfair application of law. It would be a pleasure to further discuss your innovative justice model and what needs to be done, from the perspective of one newly emerged from the cave, to correct California's failed and unfortunate choices.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my application.

Sincerely,

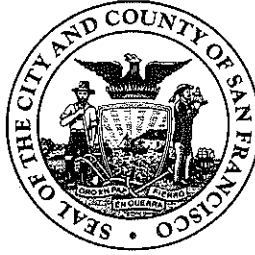
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<sup>i</sup> Our first legal battle was immediate, as our newly penned constitution called for popular elections to decide both the leadership and body of the council and San Quentin's Warden was vehemently opposed to such a "ridiculous idea." We litigated the right to elect representation and asked the Marin courts to compel the Warden to establish legitimate communication with, and administrative recognition of, our newly formed and duly elected council. Two days before trial, the San Quentin administration capitulated and allowed the first popular election to occur at San Quentin. I was elected to chair the first elected body in the state, staffed not by members handpicked by a Warden, but fairly elected by those for whom they would speak. I was humbled by, and had the distinct honor of realizing, reelection by popular vote to the Chairmanship of San Quentin's Men's Advisory Council (MAC) every year for the next 27 years. I was also elected to chair the Statewide Council on Inmate Affairs, representing the shared grievances of 174,000 prisoners across California. During my tenure over the MAC, our council was at the forefront of early AIDS and Hepatitis C litigation and demands for community standard treatment; we also represented the San Quentin arm of the Stop Prison Rape movement; led demands for fair pay in PIA prison labor jobs; joined litigation compelling access to the courts and expanding law library resources; litigated to end censorship of our libraries, literature and personal mail; expanded visitation programs and community contact; partnered with State Child Support and Social Service agencies to negotiate a reasonable reduction of huge unpaid child support liens and facilitate future payments going forward; mediated factional gang disputes and deescalated racially motivated violence; and, most recently, our council was involved in the fight to end indefinite Security Housing Unit terms (solitary confinement), and we shared in the successful outcome of the Ban-the-Box movement, garnering more than 35,000 signatures from formerly incarcerated prisoners and their families to remove the questions concerning previous arrests from applications for employment, and lobbied for expanded pre- and post- release resources and programs. (This is a non-exhaustive list.)

<sup>ii</sup> The *Brother's Keepers* program is especially dear to my heart and developed out of a tragedy that affected me very deeply. I had a friend, Robert Dubner, with whom I would go to breakfast and dinner with each and every day for many, many years. One morning, Robert and I shared a breakfast together, exchanged small talk about the prison and then both went our way for the morning. I got to my office, he to his cell to await the morning "yard call." Robert never went to the yard that morning, instead, he committed suicide. When I got back to the block I could not accept it. "Somebody must have killed him," I said. "No," I was told, "he left a note. The cell was tied shut from the inside." I was confounded. How could I have sat across from this person, who I knew for so many years, and not see that he was literally hours away from such a tragic and final decision? I had to know what I had missed, what I failed to see. So I set out trying to find someone who could explain just how to spot the signs and behaviors critical to the early identification of suicidal depression and ideation. I turned to two women who had been coming into California prisons for some time, Marsha Blackstock and Diane Banyon from the Bay Area Women Against Rape (BAWAR). They were facilitating Victim/Offender Reconciliation Groups and agreed to put together an 18-month program that would train 14 men, myself included, in crisis intervention and counseling. Upon completion of this first of its kind training program, we all received state certifications in both crisis intervention and male sexual assault survivor counseling. The *Brother's Keepers*, I am proud to say, is extant today at San Quentin and two other California prisons. And, I am equally proud to say that San Quentin went from a suicide rate more than 3 times the national average, by population, to zero mainline suicides or attempts in the period after its establishment. All said, over the course of time, our council was able to transform the culture of violence at one of the nation's most violent and notorious prisons into one of learning and altruistic healing. Every endeavor spoken to above contributed to an ongoing and sustained healing in a terribly wounded place.

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## VACANCY NOTICE

### REENTRY COUNCIL

**Replaces All Previous Notices**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the following vacancies:

**Vacant seat 1**, succeeding Joseph Calderon, term expired, must be a former inmate in the San Francisco County Jail, a California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facility, and/or a United States Bureau of Prison facility; and also must self-identify as a survivor of violence or crime, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2018.

**Vacant seat 2**, succeeding Angela Coleman, term expired, must be a former inmate in the San Francisco County Jail, a California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facility, and/or a United States Bureau of Prison facility; and also have expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2018.

**Vacant seat 3**, succeeding Ernest Kirkwood, term expired, must be a former inmate in the San Francisco County Jail, a California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facility, and/or a United States Bureau of Prison facility; and also must have been released from custody within two years of his/her appointment, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2018.

**Vacant seat 4**, succeeding Kimberli Courtney, term expired, must be a former inmate in the San Francisco County Jail, a California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facility, and/or a United States Bureau of Prison facility; and also must have served multiple terms of incarceration, for the unexpired portion of a two-year term ending June 1, 2018.

*(Pursuant to Administrative Code, Section 5.1, all members of the Council shall be exempt from the Charter requirement that they be electors of the City and County of San Francisco.)*

**Reports:** At least once a year, the Council shall prepare and submit a report that shall include, but not be limited to, information identifying funding streams; programs serving individuals exiting the criminal justice system; needs of reentry population; and barriers to safe and successful reentry. City departments shall respond within 30 days, if mentioned in report. Reports shall be provided to the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, City departments identified in the report, and the public.




Sunset Date: June 1, 2019, unless the Board of Supervisors adopts an ordinance continuing its existence.

Additional information relating to the Reentry Council may be obtained by Administrative Code, Sections 5.1-1 through 5.1-6, at <http://www.sfbos.org/sfmunicodes> or by contacting the Reentry Council at (415) 553-1593 or [reentry.council@sfgov.org](mailto:reentry.council@sfgov.org).

Interested persons may obtain an application from the Board of Supervisors website at [http://www.sfbos.org/vacancy\\_application](http://www.sfbos.org/vacancy_application) or from the Clerk of the Rules Committee. **All interested persons must also complete a Supplemental Application for Board of Supervisors Appointees available at <http://sfreentry.com/> or from the Reentry Council.** Both applications should be submitted to: 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102-4689. All applicants must be residents of San Francisco, unless otherwise stated.

**Next Steps:** Applicants who meet minimum qualifications will be contacted by the Rules Committee Clerk once the Rules Committee Chair determines the date of the hearing. Members of the Rules Committee will consider the appointment(s) at the meeting and applicant(s) may be asked to state their qualifications. Any appointment(s) recommended by the Rules Committee will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for final approval.

*Please Note: Depending upon the posting date, a vacancy may have already been filled. To determine if a vacancy for the Reentry Council is still available, or if you require additional information, please call the Rules Committee Clerk at (415) 554-7702.*

  
Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

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**Board Qualifications:**

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The Reentry Council was created to coordinate local efforts to support adults exiting San Francisco county jail, San Francisco juvenile justice system out-of-home placements, the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facilities, and the United States Federal Bureau of Prison facilities.

The Council shall provide the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, the public, and any other appropriate agency with accurate and comprehensive information about programs that serve this population, barriers faced by this population, best practices to meet the needs of this population, and funding sources for programs and practices that address the needs of this population. The Council shall coordinate information sharing, planning, and engagement among all interested private and public stakeholders to the extent permissible under federal and state law.

The Council shall consist of 23 members, seven (7) of whom shall be former inmates in the San Francisco County Jail, a California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facility, and/or a United States Bureau of Prison facility.

The Mayor, or his designee, shall serve as one (1) member, and shall also appoint three (3) of the members. One (1) of the three (3) members shall be between the ages of 18 and 24 at the time of appointment, and one (1) shall have expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system.

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The Board of Supervisors shall designate one (1) of its members to serve as a member of the Council, and shall appoint four (4) of the seven (7) members who are former inmates (added and revised by Ordinance No. 44-11). Of these four (4) members:

- > One (1) shall have expertise in providing services to individuals exiting the criminal justice system;
- > One (1) must have been released from custody within two years of his/her appointment;
- > One (1) must have served multiple terms of incarceration; and
- > One (1) must self-identify as a survivor of violence or crime.

All members of the Council shall be exempt from the Charter requirement that they be electors of the City and County of San Francisco (added by Ordinance No. 26-09).

The following City departments or agencies shall appoint one (1) member each to the Council: Public Defender's Office; District Attorney's Office; Sheriff's Department; Police Department; Adult Probation Department; Juvenile Probation Department; Department of Economic and Workforce Development; Human Services Agency; Department of Children, Youth and Families; and Department of Public Health (10 total).

In addition, co-chairs shall invite the San Francisco Superior Court, Department of Child Support Services, California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation Division of Adult Parole Operations, and United States Probation and Pretrial Services System to appoint one (1) member each to the Council. If any of these agencies do not appoint a representative, the co-chairs shall appoint an additional member (4 total).

Members shall serve two-year terms and shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing authority. Members may serve multiple terms. If any member misses two regularly scheduled meetings in a twelve-month period without prior notice, the Council shall certify that fact in writing to appointing authority and the member shall be deemed to have resigned.

Twelve members of the Council shall constitute a quorum and the Council shall have the authority to act on the vote of the majority of the quorum.

The four members appointed by the Adult Probation Department, District Attorney's Office, Public Defender's Office and Sheriff's Department, respectively, as well as the Mayor or the Mayor's representative, shall co-chair the Council. The Council may establish subcommittees. The Council shall meet in full at least three times per year.

Reports: At least once a year, the Council shall prepare and submit a report that shall include but not be limited to information identifying funding streams; programs serving individuals

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exiting the criminal justice system; needs of reentry population; and barriers to safe and successful reentry. City departments shall respond within 30 days, if mentioned in report. Reports shall be provided to the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, City departments identified in the report, and the public.

The Council shall be staffed, subject to fiscal and budgetary provisions of the Charter, by the Public Defender's Office, District Attorney's Office, Adult Probation Department, and Mayor's Office who shall designate one staff member each.

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