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Date December 15, 2015

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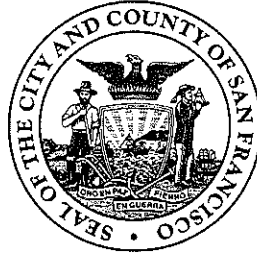
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## MEMORANDUM

### RULES COMMITTEE

#### SAN FRANCISCO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

TO: Supervisor John Avalos, Chair  
Rules Committee

FROM: Derek Evans, Assistant Clerk

DATE: December 14, 2015

SUBJECT: **COMMITTEE REPORT, BOARD MEETING**  
Tuesday, December 15, 2015

The following file should be presented as a **COMMITTEE REPORT** at the Board Meeting on Tuesday, December 15, 2015. This item was acted upon at the Rules Committee Meeting on Thursday, December 10, 2015, at 10:00 a.m., by the votes indicated.

**Item No. 50            File No. 151248**

[Appointments, Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Jesse Stout, Erich Pearson, Michelle Aldrich, Sara Payan, Jon Ballesteros, Barbara Fugate, Tom McElroy, Laura Thomas, Terrance Alan, Sarah Shrader, and Daisy Ozim]

**Motion appointing Jesse Stout, Erich Pearson, Michelle Aldrich, Sara Payan, Jon Ballesteros, Barbara Fugate, Tom McElroy, Laura Thomas, Terrance Alan, Sarah Shrader, and Daisy Ozim, terms ending August 31, 2016, to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.**

#### RECOMMENDED AS A COMMITTEE REPORT

Vote: Supervisor John Avalos - Aye  
Supervisor Katy Tang - Absent  
Supervisor Malia Cohen - Aye  
Supervisor Mark Farrell - Absent  
Supervisor Scott Wiener - Aye

c: Board of Supervisors  
Angela Calvillo, Clerk of the Board  
Rick Caldeira, Legislative Deputy Director  
Jon Givner, Deputy City Attorney

1 [Appointments, Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Jesse Stout, Erich Pearson,  
2 Michelle Aldrich, Sara Payan, Jon Ballesteros, Barbara Fugate, Tom McElroy, Laura Thomas,  
3 Terrance Alan, Sarah Shrader, and Daisy Ozim]

4 **Motion appointing Jesse Stout, Erich Pearson, Michelle Aldrich, Sara Payan, Jon**  
5 **Ballesteros, Barbara Fugate, Tom McElroy, Laura Thomas, Terrance Alan, Sarah**  
6 **Shrader, and Daisy Ozim, terms ending August 31, 2016, to the Cannabis State**  
7 **Legalization Task Force.**

8           MOVED, That the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco does  
9 hereby appoint the hereinafter designated persons to serve as members of the Cannabis  
10 State Legalization Task Force, pursuant to the provisions of Administrative Code, Article II,  
11 Sections 5.2-1 through 5.2-7, for the terms specified:

12           Jesse Stout, seat 9, new appointment, must be an individual with at least two years of  
13 experience working in the cannabis industry, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

14           Erich Pearson, seat 10, new appointment, must be an owner or operator of a medical  
15 cannabis dispensary, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

16           Michelle Aldrich, seat 11, new appointment, must be an individual who uses cannabis  
17 for medicinal purposes and has at least two years of cannabis legalization advocacy  
18 experience, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

19           Sara Payan, seat 12, new appointment, must be an individual who uses cannabis and  
20 has at least two years of cannabis legalization advocacy experience, for a one-year term  
21 ending August 31, 2016.

22           Jon Ballesteros, seat 15, new appointment, must be an individual with experience  
23 working to advance the tourism or hospitality industry in San Francisco, for a one-year term  
24 ending August 31, 2016.  
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1           Barbara Fugate, seat 16, new appointment, must be an individual who represents a  
2 neighborhood association, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

3           Tom McElroy, seat 17, new appointment, must be an individual who represents a  
4 neighborhood association, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

5           Laura Thomas, seat 18, new appointment, must be an individual with experience in  
6 public health advocacy focusing on drug policy, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

7           Terrance Alan, seat 19, new appointment, must be an individual working in the  
8 entertainment or nightlife industry, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

9           Sarah Shrader, seat 21, new appointment, must be a public policy expert working for  
10 an organization focused on the formulation of good public policy, for a one-year term ending  
11 August 31, 2016.

12           Daisy Ozim, seat 22, new appointment, must be an individual between the ages of 21  
13 and 30 at the time of appointment, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.



Member, Board of Supervisors  
District II



JOHN AVALOS

City and County of San Francisco

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Clerk,  
Leg. Dep.  
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DATE: December 2, 2015

TO: Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

FROM: Supervisor John Avalos  
Chairperson *jeal*

RE: Rules Committee  
COMMITTEE REPORT

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Pursuant to Board Rule 4.20, as Chair of the Rules Committee, I have deemed the following matter is of an urgent nature and request it be considered by the full Board on December 15, 2015, as a Committee Report:

**151248 Appointments, Cannabis State Legalization Task Force**

Motion appointing 14 members, terms ending August 31, 2016, to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

This matter will be heard at the Rules Committee Rescheduled Meeting on Thursday, December 10, 2015, at 10:00 a.m.



Board of Supervisors
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: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Seats 9, 11, 12, 14, 18 District: 5

Name: Jesse Stout

Home Address: Baker Street, SF Zip: 94117

Home Phone: 415. Occupation: cannabis corporate counsel

Work Phone: 415.633.6280 Employer: Greenbridge Corporate Counsel

Business Address: 425 Market Street, Suite 2200, SF Zip: 94105

Business E-Mail: jesse.stout@greenbridgelaw.com Home E-Mail: jessestout@

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:

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

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:

I have lived in Districts 5 and 6 in the neighborhoods of Hayes Valley, Cole Valley, and Haight-Ashbury (Panhandle/DMV Heights). I am a qualified patient under California medical cannabis law. I have served the medical cannabis patient community as an activist for thirteen years. I served for 2 years as an elected member of the national Board of Directors of Students for Sensible Drug Policy (SSDP), and I co-founded the SSDP chapter at the University of California Hastings College of the Law in San Francisco. In this role I received the 2010 Student Activist Award from the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws (NORML).

**Business and/or professional experience:**

For 2.5 years, I have worked as an Of Counsel with Greenbridge Corporate Counsel, practicing business law exclusively for clients in California's legal medical cannabis industry. Our clients include medical cannabis collectives that provide medical cannabis to patients in SF, and ancillary companies that provide other related products and services in this industry. Prior to Greenbridge, I served for 3 years as the executive director of the Rhode Island Patient Advocacy Coalition (RIPAC), organizing the medical cannabis patient community for compassionate legislation that overcame three gubernatorial vetoes. In this role I received the August 2007 High Times Magazine Freedom Fighter of the Month award.

**Civic Activities:**

I also serve as an anti-racist social-justice advocate with the longstanding SF-based non-profit organization Legal Services for Prisoners with Children (LSPC). In this role I assisted with the passage of the Fair Chance Ordinance (2014 enactment 017-14), initially sponsored by Supes. Kim and Cohen, to reduce the structural discrimination faced by formerly incarcerated people in the contexts of employment and housing; this ordinance was passed unanimously by the Board of Supervisors and signed by Mayor Lee. For this work with the Fair Chance Campaign we jointly received a HERO Award for Organizations Advancing Civil Rights from the SF Human Rights Commission, and a Certificate of Honor from the Board of Supervisors.

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

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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:** August 6 2015 **Applicant's Signature: (required)** Jesse Stout

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

**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Michael Pappas <mgpappas.sfic@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 25, 2015 1:57 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Recommending Jesse Stout for appointment to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

August 25, 2015

Members of the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244

San Francisco, CA 94102

% Alisa Somera

Re: Recommending Jesse Stout for appointment to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors:

I am writing to recommend the appointment of Jesse Stout to a seat on the newly created State Cannabis Legalization Task Force.

As a Member of the San Francisco Human Rights Commission, I have come to know and respect Jesse and the important work he has undertaken. He worked very closely with Commission staff to assist in preparing for the "War on Drugs" hearing. He also testified at that hearing. He is a bright, hard working and passionate social justice advocate for disadvantaged and disenfranchised San Franciscans.

Jesse has devoted himself to working to help medical cannabis patients and cannabis users for many years. For several years he led a coalition of cannabis patient-activists, and has helped write state medical cannabis legislation. He is also a patient himself. Besides that, he is also an attorney. He helps cannabis businesses navigate the difficult legal terrain of California law, which is very complex in this area. Overall, he is very knowledgeable and experienced about newly regulating cannabis and the cannabis industry. He also very effectively works well with others.

For all these reasons, Jesse Stout would be an exemplary appointee for the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

Sincerely,

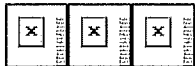
Commissioner Michael Pappas

San Francisco Human Rights Commission

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**Michael G. Pappas, M.Div**  
Executive Director

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Tom Ammiano  
San Francisco, CA

August 31, 2015

Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
City Hall, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Recommending Jesse Stout for appointment to the Cannabis State Legalization  
Task Force

Dear Supervisors:

I write in support of Jesse Stout's application for appointment to a seat on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

While I represented San Francisco in the state Assembly and chaired the Assembly Public Safety Committee, Jesse served as a legal intern to the committee's staff. In this capacity, he wrote bill analyses, including the analysis of a bill I had introduced to regulate California's medical cannabis industry. Jesse worked closely with my staff and me, evaluating bill amendments and participating in meetings with legislators and stakeholders.

I have worked with many lawyers and law students, but Jesse Stout is the most passionate about responsible cannabis regulation, and among the most dedicated to social justice. He is smart and hard-working, his work is thorough and thoughtful, and he is very personable and a joy to spend time with.

Please appoint Jesse Stout to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

Sincerely,

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Tom Ammiano



## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Levi Gadye <lgadye@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 08, 2015 12:21 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** SF Cannabis State Legalization Task Force recommendation

To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Levi Gadye, and I'm a Ph.D candidate in neuroscience at UC Berkeley. I was born and raised in San Francisco, I am a Lowell High School alumnus, and much of my family still lives in SF. I'm writing to endorse **Jesse Stout** for a seat on the SF Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

I have been a California medical cannabis patient since 2007. However, for my undergraduate education, between 2006 and 2010, I lived in a different medical cannabis state, Rhode Island. Thanks to Jesse Stout's organizing and advocacy, the state of Rhode Island has medical cannabis reciprocity, and local law enforcement there allowed me to use my medicine instead of arresting me. My health and wellness have benefited greatly from Jesse's ongoing advocacy for medical cannabis users.

Since then, I have come to know Jesse Stout quite well, as a fellow social justice advocate (I have taught various college courses for the Prison University Project at San Quentin State Prison over the last five years). He is dedicated, thorough, hardworking, and persistent, with a proven track record of improving the government's standards of justice and equality for all in multiple states. His work with Legal Services for Prisoners with Children, as their Policy Director, is but a recent example of his broad commitment to justice, here in California.

I support selecting Jesse Stout for this exploratory commission, and couldn't more highly recommend his work, experience, and commitment to social justice.

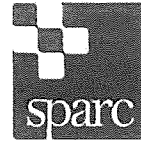
Best,

Levi Gadye

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[415-309-2411](tel:415-309-2411)

Erich Pearson  
SPARC  
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San Francisco, CA 94103



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October 9, 2015  
To: San Francisco Board of Supervisors Rules Committee  
Re: Cannabis Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors,

I am a candidate for the San Francisco Cannabis Legalization Task Force writing to endorse Jesse Stout's candidacy for the Task Force as well.

Jesse's professional experience as a cannabis business attorney with Greenbridge Corporate Counsel will bring a unique legal perspective on key questions this Task Force will be facing. Additionally, Jesse's past legal research into hundreds of jurisdictions' laws regulating to cannabis gives him special, valuable insight that will be essential to this Task Force's mission.

Jesse's volunteer work in drug policy reform as a founder and treasurer of San Francisco's only law school chapter of Students for Sensible Drug Policy shows Jesse's level of expertise and commitment to developing sound drug policy. Further, Jesse's dual experience as a lawyer and organizer of the cannabis community has bolstered his understanding of the needs of this community pared with the laws of the industry – a unique perspective that would greatly benefit this Task Force.

As a candidate of the Task Force myself, I look forward to the prospect of working together with Jesse on this very important chapter in San Francisco governance.

Sincerely,

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Erich Pearson  
President – SPARC



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

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Seats 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 District: 08

Name: Erich Pearson

Home Address: ██████████ Ramona Ave, ██████████ San Francisco, CA Zip: 94103

Home Phone: (415) ██████████ Occupation: President (Chairman)

Work Phone: (415)314-4995 Employer: SPARC

Business Address: 1256 Mission Street Zip: 94103

Business E-Mail: erichp@sparcsf.org Home E-Mail: epearsonsf@██████████

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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: \_\_\_\_\_

**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:**

Erich Pearson is a renowned leader in the cannabis community as a long-time advocate, legislative consultant, dispensary operator, and cultivation expert. In each of these fields, Erich proudly represents the best of the cannabis industry. From providing free medicine to low income seriously ill patients in the 1990s, to serving on the board of the National Cannabis Industry Association (NCIA) since its inception in 2010, Erich has run the gamut of the cannabis community. Erich's contribution to the cannabis community has raised the bar for the industry while empowering countless individual patients, operators, entrepreneurs, and industry lumineers.

Seeing a dire need for those patients living with HIV/AIDS, in 2001 Erich Pearson co-founded the San Francisco Cannabis Collective. This collective was the first in San Francisco to provide lab-tested quality medicine at no cost to patients in need. Since 2001, this initiative has culminated into SPARC's Compassion Program, which continues to provide quality lab-tested medicine at no cost to fill the needs of low-income qualified patients. From providing for a community that depends on safe and reliable medicine, to creating a community of employees and members, Erich's unique experience in the cannabis community will provide much valued information to this task force.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

In 2010 Erich launched SPARC, a nonprofit medical cannabis dispensary dedicated to providing safe, consistent and affordable medical cannabis to patients in San Francisco. SPARC, lovingly referred to as the "Apple Store of pot" by the New York Times. SPARC is built on the mission of San Francisco Cannabis Collective, and is located in the heart of San Francisco. SPARC represents Erich's commitment to effective treatment delivery and compassionate patient support, along with unparalleled design, and professionalism. Today, SPARC is San Francisco's largest medical cannabis collective serving over 30,000 members throughout the Bay Area and greater California. As SPARC's Development Director and President of the Board of Directors, Erich's unique ability to anticipate industry needs and develop shared solutions has been the key to SPARC's success. Erich is nationally recognized for his expertise and has a long history of collaborating with regulators and enforcers, legislators and industry associations to promote industry best practices and transparency.

**Civic Activities:**

For the last 17 years, Erich has been one of the country's strongest proponents of medical cannabis regulation, cultivation and industry best practices. In advising government agencies, shaping legislation, and defining industry standards, Erich has raised the bar for the industry and would provide crucial insight to this task force, as he has in past civic bodies.

Because of Erich's rich history and renowned expertise, he has been invited to serve on several civic bodies and collaborated on key legislation. Specifically, Erich served on the San Francisco District Attorney's Medical Marijuana Advisory Group. He was instrumental in the passage of San Francisco's Medical Cannabis Dispensary Act and the relegation of marijuana offenses to law enforcement's lowest priority. For his work on behalf of the cannabis community, Supervisor David Campos appointed Erich to sit on San Francisco's Medical Cannabis Working Group in 2007.

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: 7/22/15      Applicant's Signature: (required) Joseph E Pearson

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

October 7, 2015

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
Re: Marijuana Legalization Task Force



Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am a candidate for the San Francisco Cannabis Legalization Task Force writing to endorse Erich Pearson's candidacy for the Task Force as well. As someone who has been involved in cannabis regulation in the Bay Area for nearly 15 years, I strongly believe Erich's experience and knowledge of the industry will provide valuable insight to this Task Force.

For several years, I've known Erich as one of the strongest proponents of medical cannabis regulation, cultivation and industry best practices. Erich served on the San Francisco District Attorney's Medical Marijuana Advisory Group as well as the San Francisco's Medical Cannabis Working Group in 2007. As someone who also hopes to join the Task Force, I look forward to collaborating with Erich as we begin to address the questions posed to this group.

In 2010 Erich launched SPARC, a nonprofit medical cannabis dispensary dedicated to providing safe, consistent and affordable medical cannabis to patients in San Francisco. From providing free medicine to low income seriously ill patients in the 1990s, to serving on the board of the National Cannabis Industry Association (NCIA) since its inception in 2010, Erich has run the gamut of the cannabis community. SPARC is one of the few dispensaries in the country to conduct research on cannabis and its impact on their community. I was honored to be a part of this research effort. In my work at the Drug Policy Alliance, we have brought politicians, international delegates and local citizens through SPARC as an example of gold standard service and regulation.

Erich's contribution to the cannabis community has raised the bar for the industry while empowering countless individual patients, operators, and entrepreneurs. The future of cannabis policy in San Francisco, California and elsewhere would immensely benefit from his participation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amanda Reiman".

Amanda Reiman, PhD MSW  
Manager, Marijuana Law and Policy  
Drug Policy Alliance

# *Taste*

## **Catering and Event Planning**

October 7, 2015.

Dear Supervisors,

I am writing to you to endorse Erich Pearson's candidacy for the San Francisco Cannabis Legalization Task Force.

Erich's contribution to the cannabis community has raised the bar for the industry while empowering countless individual patients, operators, and entrepreneurs. For several years, I've known Erich as one of the strongest proponents of medical cannabis regulation, cultivation and industry best practices. In 2010 Erich launched SPARC, a nonprofit medical cannabis dispensary dedicated to providing safe, consistent and affordable medical cannabis to patients in San Francisco.

I believe Erich's experience and knowledge of the industry will provide valuable insight to this Task Force. Erich served on the San Francisco District Attorney's Medical Marijuana Advisory Group as well as the San Francisco's Medical Cannabis Working Group in 2007. He also serves on the board of the National Cannabis Industry Association (NCIA) (since its inception in 2010), giving Erich a national perspective which will be invaluable input for the issues facing the Task Force.

With the proposed legalization of cannabis in California, it is imperative that San Francisco's Task Force be comprised of the best qualified individuals that are collaborative in spirit and solution-driven—pragmatic, not ideologues—which describes Erich Pearson perfectly.

As a candidate of the Task Force myself, I look forward to the prospect of working together with Erich on this very important chapter in San Francisco governance.

Yours truly,

Janet Griggs  
Owner and CFO



10.08.2015

Dear Supervisors,

I'm writing to express my support for Erich Pearson's candidacy for a seat on the newly forming Cannabis Task Force.

I believe Erich's experience and knowledge of the industry will provide an invaluable amount of insight to this Task Force. In the near five years I have worked in the cannabis industry, I've known Erich as one of the strongest proponents of medical cannabis regulation, cultivation and industry best practices.

Erich served on the San Francisco District Attorney's Medical Marijuana Advisory Group as well as the San Francisco's Medical Cannabis Working Group in 2007. In 2010 Erich launched SPARC, a nonprofit medical cannabis dispensary dedicated to providing safe, consistent and affordable medical cannabis to patients in San Francisco. From providing free medicine to low income seriously ill patients in the 1990s, to serving on the board of the National Cannabis Industry Association (NCIA) since its inception in 2010, Erich has operated throughout the entire scope of the cannabis community. His commitment to cannabis and proper regulation is an inspiration to those involved with this industry. As a candidate of the Task Force myself, I look forward to the prospect of working together with Erich on this Task Force.

Erich's contribution to the cannabis community has raised the bar for the industry while empowering countless individual patients, operators, and entrepreneurs. I hope you will consider Erich Pearson for a seat on this task force.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Michael P. Caruso

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**Tariq Alazraie**

Dear San Francisco Rules Committee,

For the last ten years, I have had the pleasure of knowing Erich Pearson. Working together with the city of San Francisco in the development of San Francisco Dispensary regulations, I can speak honestly and with high regard to his continued dedication and extensive knowledge of the medical cannabis industry.

As the founder and operator of SPARC, Mr. Pearson was one of the first to undergo the permit process without first having operated prior to permit regulations. His vision to open a dispensary that provides high quality medicine and safe and effective vaporization within a professional atmosphere has vastly exceeded any expectations.

I encourage the committee in good faith to consider Erich Pearson for a seat on the Cannabis Legalization Task Force,

Thank you and hope this finds you well,

Best,

Tariq Alazraie

*TariqA@gmail.com*

Jesse Stout  
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SF, CA 94117

October 9, 2015

Members of the Board of Supervisors of the City and County of San Francisco  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102  
% Alisa Somera

Re: Recommending Erich Pearson for the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

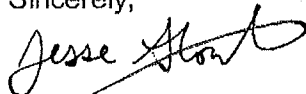
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Sincerely,



Jesse Stout

To: San Francisco Board of Supervisors

From: Wayne Justmann

Re: Letter of recommendation of Erich Pearson

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation of Erich Pearson, as he has made application for a seat on the San Francisco Cannabis Legislation Task Force. With a truly impressive background in a variety of cannabis activities, Erich is an outstanding, and well qualified candidate, for this committee.

Soon after Erich's arrival in San Francisco, he began to make contacts with members of the cannabis community, to determine how he could use his abilities to assist providing cannabis to those in need. He also began to establish a rapport with city leaders, as he understood the importance of working with these officials to develop programs and policy for a workable cannabis program.

Erich soon put together a program that provided free cannabis to low-income patients that continues today. This undertaking made the lives of many patients less hectic, knowing that cannabis was available for their needs.

In 2010, Erich opened the San Francisco Patients And Resource Center (SPARC) which has proven to be a leader in cannabis dispensaries. The dispensary serves thousands of patients a year, with a variety of services and products available. It has received world wide attention for its design and approach,

Erich is a proven leader who has tremendous people skills in finding resolutions that move ideas and projects forward. As a candidate myself, I look forward to working with Erich to develop the best programs possible for the patient needs and those of San Francisco.

Please give every consideration to Mr. Pearson. He truly is the right person for this task force, and he will prove himself worthy as well.

Respectfully yours,

Wayne Justmann

**Sarah Shrader**  
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San Francisco CA 94110  
415 756 4587

October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Dear Members of the SF Rules Committee,

I have had the pleasure of knowing and working with Eric Pearson, in both personal and professional capacities for over a decade and I encourage the rules committee to seat him on the Cannabis Legalization Task Force.

I had the pleasure of meeting Eric through a mutual friend (she's now an immigration attorney in New York). We all had an interest in medical cannabis policies in San Francisco, and Eric supported the work we did on behalf of San Francisco Chapter of Americans for Safe Access.

In more recent years, I got to work with Eric on the *Medical Cannabis Working Group* and the *Medical Cannabis Task Force* that was created from that group, at San Francisco City Hall. Eric was an asset to the Task Force, and I look forward to having him seated to one of the seats he has applied for. SPARC has been a national model for dispensaries, and one of the few that hold a certificate for *Patient Focused Certification*, which is based on standards released from the *American Herbal Product Association*.

I appreciate your consideration, as I can only imagine that there are many candidates applying for these seats. I look forward to seeing the work that develops.

Sincerely,

Sarah Shrader

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**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Bruce K Huie <brucehuie@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 16, 2015 2:58 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** Susan Eslick; Joel Freston; Bruss, Andrea (BOS)  
**Subject:** Letter of Support - Erich Pearson / SPARC - SF Cannabis Task Force

October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015

RE: support of Erich Pearson for the Task Force

Dear Rules Committee Clerk - Alisa Somera,

I'm writing to express my support of Erich Pearson for a seat on the San Francisco Cannabis Legalization Task Force. I've sent this letter to Supervisor Cohen, Supervisor Tang and Supervisor Avalos.

As a neighbor to one of Erich's SPARC facilities, I have seen how SPARC benefits the community firsthand. The practices exhibited by SPARC at Erich's direction have demonstrated a commitment to community and a high standard for the cannabis industry.

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Sincerely,

Bruce Huie (President - Dogpatch Neighborhood Association)  
1099 23<sup>rd</sup> Street, #12, San Francisco, CA 94107  
Dogpatch - SF

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 03, 2015 11:22 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** FW: Letters of Support: Erich Pearson, Legalization Task Force  
**Attachments:** Bruce Huie\_Support for Erich Pearson.pdf; David\_Hua.pdf; Jesse Stout.pdf; LOS - Erich Pearson 20151021 Robert Jacob.pdf; Susan Eslick.pdf

*Alisa Somera*

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**From:** Joel Freston [mailto:JoelF@sparcsf.org]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 03, 2015 11:01 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS) <[alisa.somera@sfgov.org](mailto:alisa.somera@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** Letters of Support: Erich Pearson, Legalization Task Force

Hello again Alisa,

Attached please find the most recent batch of letters of support for Erich Pearson, a candidate for the SF Cannabis Legalization Task Force. All of these letters are in support of Erich Pearson's candidacy.

Thank you for accepting these letters. Please let me know if there is another preferred method of submission.

Best,  
Freston

**Freston, Joel**

October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015

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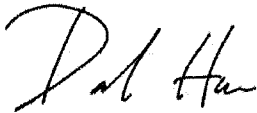
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Erich's qualifications stem from both his long-standing involvement in the cannabis community and his work in the local communities of San Francisco to effect positive change. Erich's impressive resume includes involvement in the non-profit business sector of the cannabis industry, the legislative and advisory sector, and community service and outreach sector. Erich served on the San Francisco District Attorney's Medical Marijuana Advisory Group as well as the San Francisco's Medical Cannabis Working Group in 2007. In 2010 Erich launched SPARC, a nonprofit medical cannabis dispensary dedicated to providing safe, consistent and affordable medical cannabis to patients in San Francisco. He also worked to provide free medicine to low-income, seriously ill patients in the 1990s and has served on the board of the National Cannabis Industry Association (NCIA) since its inception in 2010. Erich has truly run the gamut of involvement in the local cannabis community and his experience, expertise, and connection to multiple stakeholders will serve as a vital resource to this Task Force.

Erich's contribution to the cannabis community has raised the bar for the industry while empowering countless individual patients, operators, and entrepreneurs. As a candidate myself, I look forward to collaborating with Erich as we address the important questions posed to this Task Force.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David Hua". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "David" being larger and more prominent than the last name "Hua".

David Hua  
CEO & Co-founder, Meadow Care

Jesse Stout  
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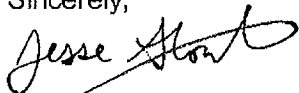
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Jesse Stout



October 21, 2015

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
Re: Marijuana Legalization Task Force



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Respectfully,

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Robert Jacob

# the **bookkeeper**

October 8, 2015

Re: Cannabis Legalization Task Force – Erich Pearson

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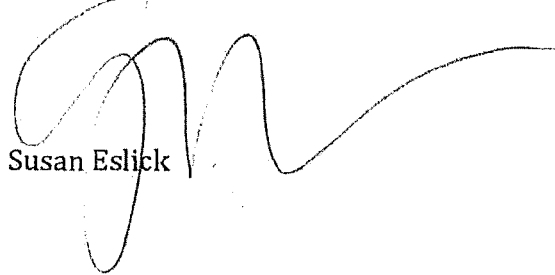
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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): #11 or #12 District: 2

Name: Michelle Aldrich

Home Address: ████████ Franklin Street ██████ Zip: 941██23

Home Phone: 415-████████ Occupation: Retired stockbroker

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Business E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-Mail: MCAgiraffe@████████

**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:**

I am a senior (69) who used cannabis to heal my stage 3 lung cancer. Cannabis saved my life. I have represented the cannabis community in San Francisco and California for 43 years. I attended many Planning Commission meetings to listen to neighborhood concerns about dispensaries. I am the longest serving woman in cannabis reform. Disabled because of a torn Achilles, I understand the issues of medical cannabis personally. As a member of the SF Drug Abuse Advisory Board, I introduced harm reduction as a treatment protocol for AIDS patients, including using cannabis for wasting syndrome.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I have worked for over 43 years on legalization of cannabis for personal use. I helped draft Prop 215 which made cannabis legal for medical use, and am currently working on the California Reform Initiative for 2016. I've been on the Board of California NORML for over 38 years. I received the Lester Grinspoon Lifetime Achievement Award from High Times in 2011, the San Francisco Medical Cannabis Community Lifetime Achievement Award in 2012, and the California NORML Pioneer Freedom Fighter Award in 2013. I worked in the media for 10 years, 10 years as a stockbroker, and 8 years as an international meeting planner. My professional experience has prepared me to serve on this Task Force.

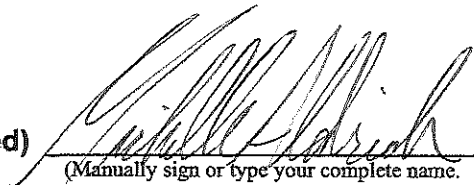
**Civic Activities:**

Member, San Francisco Medical Cannabis Task Force; Board member of the S.F. Drug Abuse Advisory Board; helped found a Free Clinic; President, AIDS Prevention Action Network; Legislative Chair, SF Democratic Women's Forum; Member, Irish American Democratic Club; Member, Endorsement Committee, SF Women's Political Committee; and member, Philanthropic Advisory Board for Apothecarium Dispensary.

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: October 11, 2015 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: \_\_\_\_\_

# Michelle Aldrich

██████████ Franklin Street ██████████  
San Francisco, CA 94123  
Home Telephone: (415) ██████████

## **Boards, Committees, and Community Based Organizations**

San Francisco Women's Political Committee – Member, Endorsement committee, 2011-present  
San Francisco Medical Cannabis Task Force, Member, July 2010 – October 2011  
San Francisco Medical Cannabis Working Group, March 2009 – June 2010  
Democratic Women's Forum, Vice-President & Legislative Chair, 2008-2011  
Irish American Democratic Club, Member, 2007 – 2014  
Conard House, Leadership Committee 2007-2010  
California NORML, Board of Directors, 1978 – 1989, 2004 – present  
Patients Out of Time, Advisory Board, 1996 - 2014  
Drug Abuse Advisory Board, City and County of San Francisco: 1992-1998  
Vice-President, Board of Directors, 1995 - 1996.  
Chair, Public Policy Committee, 1995 - 1996.  
Secretary, Board of Directors, 1995, 1998  
Chair, Harm Reduction Task Force, 1993 - 1995.  
San Francisco AIDS Foundation:  
Greater Bay Area HIV Prevention Working Group, Needle Exchange Working Group, 1992 - 1995.  
San Francisco Department of Public Health,  
DMS Outcome Measures Committee, 1992 - 1993.  
Physician Prescription of Methadone Working Group, 1998-1999  
California State Senate, Task Force on State Managed AIDS/HIV Programs, 1993.  
AIDS Prevention Action Network, San Mateo; President, 1992 - April 1994.  
Fitz Hugh Ludlow Memorial Library, San Francisco; Director, 1974 - 2001

## **Consulting and Research**

MARCC, HIV Conference Consultant, San Francisco, March 1999-December 1999  
ProHealth, Reference Retriever, San Francisco, June 1991 - 1997.  
Foodmaker, Mystery Guest, San Francisco & Las Vegas, March 1994 - Dec. 1995.  
European Cities on Drug Policy, Consultant, San Francisco & Baltimore, Aug. - Nov. 1993.  
Daryl S. Inaba, Pharm.D. and William E. Cohen (eds.), Uppers. Downers. All Arounders: Physical and Mental Effects of Psychoactive Drugs, Consultant, Ashland, Oregon: CNS, 1989, 1993, 1999.  
Cinemed/Haight Ashbury Films, 1986. Consultant on cocaine recovery films.  
LIFE Magazine, Research Assistant on cover stories, 1983.  
Cynthia Palmer and Michael Horowitz (eds.), Shaman Woman. Mainline Lady: Women's Writings on the Drug Experience, NY.: Morrow/Quill, 1982. Drug history consultant.  
Do It Now Foundation, Phoenix, 1972 - 1980. Public Relations and Media consultant.  
Amorphia, Inc., San Francisco, 1972 - 1974. Public Relations consultant.  
National Free Clinic Council Annual Meeting, Estes Park, 1973. Media consultant.  
US. National Commission on Marijuana and Drug Abuse, 1973. Researcher.  
Canadian Commission of Inquiry into the Non-Medical Use of Drugs, 1973. Assistant to Commissioner Marie-Andree Bertrand in preparation of Final Report.  
Office of Drug Abuse Information, Hoffmann-LaRoche Laboratories, Nutley, NJ, 1972.  
National Coordinating Council on Drug Education, Washington, DC., 1972. Assistant Project Director for Literature and Film Evaluation.  
San Antonio Free Clinic, San Antonio, Jan. 1971 - Jan. 1972. P R, Counseling and Drug Education

### **Presentations and Speeches**

California NORML Conference, San Francisco, January 2013  
California NORML Conference, Berkeley, January 2011  
Cannabis Free Day, San Francisco, May 2000- 2009  
Drug Policy Foundation Conference, Washington, DC., Nov. 1994.  
San Mateo County AIDS Program, Community Conference, San Mateo, CA., March 1994.  
Drug Policy Foundation Conference, Washington, DC., Nov. 1993.  
California State Epidemiology Conference, Newport Beach, Oct. 1993.  
Harm Reduction Conference, San Francisco, Aug. 1993.  
California State Senate, Sacramento: Hearings on AB 260 (Needle Exchange), March 1993.  
Drug Policy Foundation West Coast Conference, San Francisco, Jan. 1992.  
NORML National Meeting, Washington, DC., Nov. 1991.  
Women's Panel, Hemp Fair, San Francisco, June 1991.  
Witness, U.S. National Commission on AIDS, San Francisco, May 1991.  
National Free Clinic Council Annual Meeting, Estes Park, 1973.

### **Finance**

Senior Registered Representative (Stockbroker), Charles Schwab and Co., San Francisco, Sept. 1978 - Jan. 1981, Mar. 1981 - Feb. 1988.  
Administrative Assistant, First Boston Corp., San Francisco, Jan. 1981 - Mar. 1981.

### **Meeting Management**

amfAR 14<sup>th</sup> National HIV/AIDS Update Conference, San Francisco, Sept.2001-March 2002.  
Logistics and Volunteer Coordinator.  
amfAR 13<sup>th</sup> National HIV/AIDS Update Conference, San Francisco, Sept.2000-March 2001.  
Logistics and Volunteer Coordinator.  
State Senator Milton Marks, San Francisco, June 1994. Scheduler.  
Sixth National AIDS Update Conference, San Francisco, Oct. 1993. Program Planning Committee, March-October 1993, and Program Assistant, October 1993.  
"An Evening with Robert Fulghum", ACLU-SF Benefit, July - Sept. 1993. Event Planner.  
American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons Conference, Feb. 1993. Vendor Registrations, ProServ, San Francisco, independent contractor.  
Interop Conference, San Francisco, Oct. 1992. Registration Clerk. ProServ; independent contractor.  
Fifth National AIDS Update Conference, San Francisco, Oct. 1992. Program Assistant.  
National NORML Conference, San Francisco, Mar. 1992-Sept. 1992. Conference Manager.  
Pacific Coast Builders Conference, San Francisco, May 1992. Manager, Information Desk.  
CMI (Creative Marketing Incentives), San Francisco, Jul. - Oct. 1991. Rooms Manager.  
Fourth National AIDS Update Conference, San Francisco, May 1991. Program Assistant.  
Sixth International Conference on AIDS (UCSF), San Francisco, 1989-90. Housing Manager.  
Third National AIDS Update Conference, San Francisco, Oct. 1989. Manager, Press Room.  
National Drug Abuse Conference-1977, San Francisco, 1976-1977. Exhibits Coordinator.  
National Free Clinic Council, San Francisco and Washington, DC., Sept.1971 - Jan.1972. Director of Press Relations.


## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Sent:** Monday, December 07, 2015 11:11 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
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**Sent:** Monday, December 07, 2015 10:13 AM  
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**Cc:** Michelle Aldrich <[mcagiraffe@comcast.net](mailto:mcagiraffe@comcast.net)>; Ellen Komp <[ellen@canorml.org](mailto:ellen@canorml.org)>  
**Subject:** Recommending Michelle Aldrich to Cannabis Task Force

To the Board of Supervisors:

Cal NORML wishes to express its support for the nomination of Michelle Aldrich for Seat 11 or Seat 12 for the San Francisco Cannabis State Legalization Task Force (see attachment).

Michelle has worked for the legalization of cannabis for over 43 years and has used cannabis for almost 50 years. She has been on the Board of California NORML for almost 35 years, and has used cannabis for medical purposes for over 20 years. She would bring a wealth of experience, knowledge and political acumen to the task force.

(Other applicants for the various seats are Terrence Allen, Henry Wykowski, Amanda Reiman, Laura Thomas, Nicholas Smygilis, Eric Pearson, Kevin Reed, Tareq, someone from Apothecarium and Green Door, Wayne Justman and Shona. Seat 11 is for a medical marijuana user; 12 is for recreational.)

Dale Gieringer, Director,  
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Attn.: Alisa Somera

To the Board:

We are writing to support the nomination of Michelle Aldrich for Seat 11 or Seat 12 for the San Francisco Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

Michelle has worked for the legalization of cannabis for over 43 years and has used cannabis for almost 50 years. She has been on the Board of California NORML for almost 35 years, and has used cannabis for medical purposes for over 20 years. She would bring a wealth of experience, knowledge and political acumen to the task force.

Sincerely,

Dale Gieringer, Ph.D.  
Director, California NORML  
2261 Market St. #278A, San Francisco 94114  
(415) 563-5858 - [dale@canorml.org](mailto:dale@canorml.org)

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 25, 2015 9:54 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** FW: Letter of Support for Michelle Aldrich for the SF Marijuana Legalization Task Force

Alisa Somera  
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**From:** David Goldman [mailto:dcgoldman@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 25, 2015 9:42 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS) <alisa.somera@sfgov.org>  
**Subject:** Letter of Support for Michelle Aldrich for the SF Marijuana Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors:

I am writing today to give my strong support for Michelle Aldrich to become a member of the Marijuana Legalization Task Force. As a medical cannabis patient and law reform advocate, I can think of no one else who has worked for cannabis law reform as long and as hard as has Michelle.

Ms. Aldrich has worked for the legalization of cannabis for over 43 years, and has used cannabis for almost 50 years. She had been a member of the Board of California NORML, a cannabis law reform group, for almost 35 years.

She has used cannabis for medical issues for about 20 years and used cannabis to help heal her Stage 3a lung cancer. She understands well the dualistic nature of the use of cannabis as a medical product as well as a recreational pastime.

Her common sense approach will well serve this task force. I urge you to support her candidacy.

Sincerely,

David Goldman  
dgoldman@yahoo.com  
m: 415-728-7631


## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 25, 2015 1:00 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** FW: Recommendation: San Francisco Cannabis State Legalization Task Force  
**Attachments:** Ltr for Michelle.docx

### *Alisa Somera*

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**From:** Roxane Thompson [mailto:[roxane@reformca.com](mailto:roxane@reformca.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 25, 2015 12:56 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS) <[alisa.somera@sfgov.org](mailto:alisa.somera@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** Recommendation: San Francisco Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

*Hello Alisa - below and attached is a recommendation for Michelle Aldrich as a participant on your newly formed San Francisco Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. I have personally known Michelle Aldrich for decades and respect her advocacy and healing personal experiences. I am pleased to add my support for Michelle's candidacy. Thank you, DSJ*

DATE: November 25, 2015

TO: Alisa Somera

FROM: Dale Sky Jones

RE: Michelle Aldrich -

San Francisco Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Dear Search Committee;

Congratulations on leading the way by addressing the impending legalization of cannabis in California by forming the San Francisco Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. It gives me great pleasure to recommend Michelle Aldrich for a position on this advisory task force. Michelle brings over 43 years of advocacy and dedication to the cannabis movement for health and social justice. As a patient who experienced the healing modalities of cannabis, Michelle would be an asset of great value to the discussion and suggestions regarding the evolution of cannabis governance in San Francisco.

I understand Michelle is qualified for both Seat 11 and Seat 12. The Rules Committee of the Board of Supervisors should consider securing a position for Michelle that maximizes her incredible depth of advocacy, passion, knowledge and actual patient healing experience.

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I respectfully recommend Michelle Aldrich with confidence and personal knowledge of her herculean efforts on behalf of the legalization of cannabis and encourage her participation on the San Francisco Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

Sincerely,

Dale Sky Jones

Executive Chancellor, Oaksterdam University

Chairwoman, Coalition for Cannabis Policy Reform/ReformCA



*DATE: November 25, 15*

*TO: Alisa Somera*

*FROM: Dale Sky Jones*

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Sincerely,  
Dale Sky Jones  
Executive Chancellor, Oaksterdam University  
Chairwoman, Coalition for Cannabis Policy Reform/ReformCA

December 1, 2015

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

This letter is in support of Michelle Aldrich's application for the San Francisco Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. I have known Michelle for more than 20 years, as she has long been a mentor to me. She has introduced me to the politics of both the City of San Francisco and of cannabis reform, and has always been available to discuss these issues in detail.

Michelle is a cannabis expert, and has more than 50 years of experience with this issue. I have worked with her closely on the board of directors of California NORML, where she has been a leader for 35 years. At NORML, we are dedicated to educate both citizens and government about the costs of prohibition and the need to reform these laws. Michelle has been essential in shaping our mission, vision, and values, and in getting the word out about the need to change the cannabis laws.

I know Michelle is also a medical cannabis patient, having fought back cancer using cannabis to help. Through her own illness, she became an even stronger advocate for patient's rights, spending her free time counseling other people facing cancer. Her knowledge of cannabis as medicine is unsurpassed.

You will find no better advocate and expert for the Task Force. Thank you for considering her application, and for choosing her as the winning candidate.

Sincerely,

Debby Goldsberry  
510-812-9538



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San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City and County of San Francisco  
Rules Committee  
Attn: Alisa Somera

Re: San Francisco Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Greetings:

I am writing to support Michelle Aldrich for a position on the San Francisco Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. I have known Michelle for over 30 years and she is superbly qualified for Seat 11 or 12.

She was a valuable contributor to the San Francisco Drug Abuse Advisory Board, the San Francisco Medical Cannabis Task Force and served as President of the AIDS Prevention Action Network. Michelle healed her stage 3 lung cancer with cannabis oil over 3 years ago. Cannabis is a medicine. She has spent more than 43 years working on legalization of marijuana.

As the President of the Board of Supervisors, I worked with Michelle on drug issues and she has a wealth of knowledge in this area, including the the first-ever Medicinal Marijuana law that Supervisor Hallinan and I sponsored.

She is a perfect fit for a position on this task force.

Sincerely,



Angela Alioto



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

Cannabis Task Force

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

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9,11 &12 District: 11

Name: Sara Payan

Home Address: ██████ Naples St. Zip: 94112

Home Phone: 415-██████ Occupation: Head of Education, Sr. Patient Consulta

Work Phone: 415-377-9577 Employer: The Apothecarium

Business Address: 2095 Market St. Zip: 94114

Business E-Mail: sara@apothecariumsf.com Home E-Mail: sara@██████

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Check All That Apply:

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

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:**

I am a 41 year old female of Iranian and Finnish descent, nineteen year resident of San Francisco, and a stage three colon cancer survivor who used cannabis throughout treatment.

I have lived in the Panhandle, Glen Park, and currently reside in the Crocker Amazon neighborhood.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

14 years of operations management experience in the private sector and for nonprofits such as LCCR and EARN.  
Three years at the Apothecarium as a patient consultant specializing in work with cancer patients, head of the education department.  
HealthMJ lists me along with Andrew Weil as "10 people who are leading the movement to inform patients about medical cannabis" My cancer and cannabis classes have been lauded in national magazines such as Cannabis Now. 2015 Patients Out Of Time Conference presenter: "Safe Access: The Importance of Patient and Industry Education"

**Civic Activities:**

-Member of The Brownie Mary Democratic Club  
  
-I donate my time as a performer/singer to such events as the Aids Emergency Fund and Breast Cancer Emergency Fund fundraisers

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

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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: 8/27/15 Applicant's Signature: (required) Sara M M Payan

(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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## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** sara@[REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 09, 2015 2:32 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** RE: FW: Cannabis Task Force Applications  
**Attachments:** Payan Cannabis Task Force Application.pdf

Hi Alisa-

I finally got it to work.

Attached is my application.

A little bit about my background:

Stage III colon cancer introduced me to medical cannabis- I am a survivor of four years. It's what got me through my initial illness, surgery and chemo. Because of cannabis I was able to keep my weight up, reduce nausea without using expensive intense medication and control my neuropathy. As an advocate and activist as I feel it is essential to bear witness for those who suffer from illness and require access to medicine, support and education.

My past experience as a patient is what makes me passionate about educating people about cannabis and creating safe access. I head up the education program at The Apothecarium and both created and teach the cancer and cannabis education series for our patients. This past May I had the honor of speaking at the Patients Out of Time conference. The topic of my presentation was "Safe Access: The Importance of Patient and Industry Education". HealthMJ lists me along with Andrew Weil PhD as one of "10 people who are leading the movement to inform patients about medical cannabis" <http://www.healthmj.com/cancer/10-people-who-are-leading-the-movement-to-inform-patients-about-medical-cannabis/>

Before my three years at the Apothecarium I worked in civil rights and the nonprofit sector for many years, and have been a resident of San Francisco for nineteen years so I've seen a lot of the change our city has gone through. I care about our city and what happens and also I care very deeply about the future of cannabis in our city as well. My background as a patient and as an educator in the cannabis industry would prove to be a valuable asset to the task force and the future of cannabis in our city.

Thank you for your consideration

Sara Payan

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 25, 2015 10:09 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** FW: Letter of Support for Sara Payaan for the Marijuana Legalization Task Force

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**From:** David Goldman [mailto:[dcgoldman@yahoo.com](mailto:dcgoldman@yahoo.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 25, 2015 9:55 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS) <[alisa.somera@sfgov.org](mailto:alisa.somera@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** Letter of Support for Sara Payaan for the Marijuana Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors:

We are writing today to give our strong support to Sara Payaan to become a member of the Marijuana Legalization Task Force. As medical cannabis patients and law reform advocates, we believe Ms. Payaan will be an asset to the task force's work.

Sara works in patient services at the Apothecarium, one of San Francisco's premier medical cannabis dispensaries. As a cancer survivor who successfully used cannabis as an integral part of her treatment, she uses her knowledge and first hand experience to educate patients and supporters on the many medical uses of cannabis. She gave a presentation at the 2015 Patients Out of Time Conference in West Palm Beach, Florida last May. This is a conference devoted to presentations on the latest uses of medical cannabis for therapeutics and research. Her presentation was well-received by those in attendance.

Her expertise and empathy will be of great value to the work of the task force. We urge you to support her candidacy.

Sincerely,

David Goldman  
dgoldman@yahoo.com  
Kenneth Michael Koehn  
kmkoehn@gmail.com  
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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Taskforce

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Seat #15 District: 6

Name: Jon Ballesteros

Home Address: Beale Street, Unit # Zip: 94105

Home Phone: 415. Occupation: Public Policy

Work Phone: 415.227.2655 Employer: San Francisco Travel Association

Business Address: One Front Street, Suite 2900 Zip: 94111

Business E-Mail: jballesteros@sanfrancisco.travel Home E-Mail: jonlballesteros

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Check All That Apply:

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

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:

As a candidate to serve on the Cannabis State Legislation Taskforce, I bring qualifications that represent a number of communities of interest in San Francisco. I am a gay Latino male and I have been active in San Francisco's gay community and in the Latino community at the state level in the past. In the 20+ years that I have been a resident of San Francisco, I have resided in a number of San Francisco neighborhoods including Dolores Heights, Hayes Valley and I currently reside in SOMA.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I have worked in the field of Public Affairs for over 25 years – focusing on Government Affairs, Community Outreach, and Media Relations. I am currently Senior Vice President of Public Policy for the San Francisco Travel Association. In this capacity, I try to be the "voice" of the 18 million visitors San Francisco receives each year. My mission is to help create, direct and implement public policy decisions and priorities impacting the future of San Francisco as a travel destination. My goal in serving on this taskforce would be to ensure that if the adult use of cannabis is legalized in California, any adverse impact on the visitor industry would be minimized while the potential positive impacts would be maximized. Prior to joining San Francisco Travel, my professional experience includes positions with San Francisco International Airport, the Port of Oakland, LS9, Inc. (a biotechnology company developing renewable fuels and sustainable chemicals), Wells Fargo & Company, the City and County of San Francisco and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District.

**Civic Activities:**

In the past, I served on the Board of Directors of the San Francisco Public Transportation Commission, Equality California and Project Open Hand. I also served on the San Francisco Airport Commission’s "Airport Naming Committee."

Currently, I am a member of the Board of Directors of the Market Street Railway and the California Travel Association (CalTravel). I serve on the Executive Committee of CalTravel and Chair the organization's Government Relations Committee.

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

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**Date:** October 6, 2015 **Applicant’s Signature: (required)** Johnny Luciano Ballesteros

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





October 6, 2015

Supervisor John Avalos  
Chair, Rules Committee  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors

**Re: Reference for Jon Ballesteros Cannabis State Legislation Taskforce:**

Dear Supervisor Avalos,

As the Executive Director of the Hotel Council of San Francisco, I am honored to write this letter of recommendation to fully support the nomination of Mr. Jon Ballesteros for the Cannabis State Legislation Task Force Seat 15. Jon embodies the true spirit of the hospitality industry through both his professional and personal commitment to his communities in San Francisco. As San Francisco Travel's Senior Vice-President of Public Policy, Jon has worked tirelessly on behalf of the visitors to our city. He is also a collaborative leader that has worked closely with the Hotel Council on many issues that concern the hospitality industry.

I have worked with Jon on many taskforces and committees and I can't think of a more appropriate and qualified person to represent our industry on the Cannabis Taskforce. How our city handles the potential legalization of Cannabis is very important and I am confident Jon will serve our industry well if chosen for the taskforce.

Again, I am honored to support Jon Ballesteros' service on this taskforce.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Kevin Carroll'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Kevin Carroll  
Executive Director

323 Geary Street, Suite 405  
San Francisco, CA 94102  
(415) 391-5197

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Samantha Higgins <samantha@ggra.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 09, 2015 2:03 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legalization Task Force Appointment Support Letter  
**Attachments:** GGRA\_SupportLetter.pdf

Derek,

Attached is GGRA's letter of support for the following candidates:

Jon Ballesteros  
Jacob Cross  
Janet Griggs  
Duncan Ley  
Sabrina Matlin

Let me know if you have any questions or need anything else from me.

Thanks!  
Samantha

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Samantha M. Higgins

Policy and Community Manager  
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December 10, 2015

Rules Committee  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
San Francisco City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Appointments, Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors Avalos, Tang, Cohen, and Wiener,

The Golden Gate Restaurant Association (GGRA) strongly supports the following candidates for the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force: Jon Ballesteros, Jacob Cross, Janet Griggs, Duncan Ley, and Sabrina Matlin.

Jon Ballesteros has been a leader in the Tourism and Hospitality Industry for many years. In his role as Vice President of Public Policy for San Francisco Travel, Jon has been the voice of the tourism industry, ensuring that the visitor experience is the very best for the City's guests. Additionally, Jon has been a tireless advocate for the jobs and economic impact that tourism brings to the City of San Francisco. He would bring a great deal of experience, leadership, and thought to the Task Force.

Furthermore, the GGRA recommends Jacob Cross, Janet Griggs, Duncan Ley, and Sabrina Matlin as appointees to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. The above candidates have all shown years of dedication to the City of San Francisco in multiple capacities.

As the VP of Marketing and PR for one of the most successful restaurant groups in the City, Back of the House, Jacob Cross has proven to be a strong voice and advocate for the interests of business, and Jacob would approach the Task Force with the same level of dedication and responsibility.

Janet Griggs has years of experience with hospitality business in San Francisco, and would be an excellent appointee to the Task Force. She has the ability to provide thoughtful insight and leadership on key issues that will affect the City.

Tonic Nightlife Group's Duncan Ley is a smart, strategic innovator in the hospitality and nightlife space. His creative ideas and dedication to the industry, combined with his unparalleled experience, make him an ideal candidate for the Task Force.

Lastly, Sabrina Matlin, currently the HR Manager for Bacchus Management Group, one of the top tier restaurant groups in the Bay Area, brings a ton of experience to the table, having worked

in different facets of the hospitality industry throughout her career. With a deep passion for the issue, Sabrina will bring the dedication and deep thought to the questions raised throughout the entire process.

Again, the Golden Gate Restaurant Association strongly recommends the above-mentioned individuals to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. As a leader in the hospitality community, we have worked on numerous issues with all the candidates mentioned, and we would be proud to have them representing tourism, hospitality, and business for the City of San Francisco.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Gwyneth Borden', with a stylized, looped initial 'G' and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Gwyneth Borden  
Executive Director



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

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: SF Marijuana TF

Seat # or Category (If applicable): seat #16 and #17 District: 11

Name: Barbara Fugate

Home Address: [redacted] Foote Ave Zip: 94112

Home Phone: 415-[redacted] Occupation: retired 911 Police Dispatcher

Work Phone: n/a Employer: retired

Business Address: n/a Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Business E-Mail: n/a Home E-Mail: ciasecretary@[redacted]

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I have resided in San Francisco for almost 30 years. I worked in San Francisco for approximately 24 years. I have been active in the Cayuga Improvement Association for almost 20 years and have served as CIA Treasurer and Secretary multiple times, and I am the most recent past president of the organization. I write the neighborhood association newsletter and have done so for more than seven years. I am the Chair of the CIA's MCD Compliance Committee and as such I have worked with the owners of Mission Organics, Treemed, and Spark. As a client I have visited Green Cross. I am a white female, 63 years of age, on disability retirement after working as a 911 dispatcher outside San Francisco for 16 years. I will be happy to discuss my disability in person but prefer not to try to summarize in writing. It's complicated, and a form of PTSD. I would not need any special access accomodations but I do occasionally have dyslexia.

I believe Mission organics and Spark would give me positive recommendations. Perhaps Treemed would, they have changed management frequently and I may not be known to the new managers.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

Volunteer, Ross General Hospital more than 600 hours, 1967 to 1972  
Pharmacy Clerk, The Apothecary in Corte Madera, 1969 to 1972  
Marin General Hospital, 1970 - 1972 ICU Clerk  
Ralph K Davies Medical Center 1972 to 1986 medical clerk, ICU, CCU, ER, Med Surg, Orthopedics, Neuro, Gerontology. I also worked as a medical assistance in various physicians offices, offices which are closed now as the physicians have all retired. I can give you the home addresses of two, we keep in touch at Christmas.  
1986 - to 1987 National In Home Health Services, Administrative Assistance to Director  
1988 to 1992 Office Manager, Monterrosa Electric Contractors in San Francisco  
1989 to 1992 Assistance Administration, Mario Monterrosa School for Electricians  
1989 to 2005 911 Police Dispatcher and Records/Warrants/Investigations Town of Colma

**Civic Activities:**

Cayuga Improvement Association, Board Member, Treasurer and Secretary numerous times, most recent past-president. I edit the CIA newsletter. I am the chair of the association's MCD Compliance Committee, I belong to the Alemany Clean Committee, and paint out graffiti in the area as needed.  
I spent more than three years working/volunteering as the community liaison for the renovation at Cayuga Playground with Marvin Yee, SF Rec and Park Project Manager. Currently I am meeting with Daniel Homsey from MONS - the CIA is working on the Mayor's Neighborhood Resiliency Planning and I have recently written a grant proposal for seed monies.  
I am a member of Cayuga Community Connectors, an organization which tries to connect up residents within a neighborhood, the goal to allow seniors to age in place.  
I am a Cayuga Park Volunteer and was the Volunteer Coordinator from 2012 to 2014. I have volunteered at our park for more than 15 year. I still can be found at the park at least three days a week picking up trash, checking equipment safety, filing reports on vandalism, graffiti, and other damage. I work every organized park cleanup.  
From 2003 to present, I am a member of Soldier Angels and a regular client of Anysoldier.com. I do my best to see that some of our soldiers and marines have food or hygiene items not available where they are deployed. I have adopted over 400 in this time and was recently voted, Soldier Angel of the month.  
I could provide you with approximately 25 references from those who have returned home but still keep in touch. Friend me on facebook to meet some of them. too many letters to transport they fill two suitcases

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: 8/31/2015 Applicant's Signature: (required) Barbara Ann Fugate

(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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**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** sfnm@pacbell.net  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 12, 2015 8:13 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

Barbara Fugate would be a thoughtful, knowledgeable and dependable member of the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. I strongly support her application to serve the citizens of California as a member of the task force.

I have lived in the Cayuga Terrace area of San Francisco for 45 years. During that time, I have had ample opportunity to see and to work with Ms. Fugate on a wide range of community concerns. In the last few years, many marijuana dispensaries have sought to move into our area. Ms. Fugate has been diligent and insightful in monitoring this situation in a way which defuses fear-mongering while insuring that many safety precautions are put in place by the dispensaries. She has done this without throwing up a lot of pointless roadblocks for the businesses, while encouraging them to give back to the community in many positive ways.

Barbara Fugate is someone I trust to be fair and wise in making decisions affecting the future of Cannabis in our state. She should receive a positive reception for her application.

Please contact me at 415 585 4636 if you have questions or would like me to expand any of my comments.

Rev. Glenda Hope  
249 Niagara Ave  
San Francisco, CA 94118-3338



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October 8, 2015

Board of Supervisors  
City and County of San Francisco  
1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4630

Re: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Dear Board of Supervisors:

I write in support of Barbara Fugate's application for a seat on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

I have known Ms. Fugate for over a year in her position as Secretary of the Cayuga Improvement Association and Chair of its MCD Compliance Committee. Ms. Fugate would bring to the Task Force strong professionalism, a measured and methodical approach, and experience in addressing the responsible integration of MCDs into our communities from a neighborhood perspective. I urge you to support her application.

Thank you for your attention to, and consideration of, the important process of establishing this Task Force.

Very truly yours,

/s/  
Patrick D. Goggin



## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Holli Bert <holli@thegreencross.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 09, 2015 11:53 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Re: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Hearing - 12/10/15 - 10AM  
**Attachments:** CSLTF Letter of Support.pdf

Hi Derek,

Thank you for keeping us updated. Please find a letter of support from Kevin Reed for eight of the CSLTF applicants, to be shared with the Supervisors for tomorrow's Rules Committee Meeting. If you have any questions or concerns about this, please let me know.

Best regards,  
Holli

On Wed, Dec 9, 2015 at 10:57 AM, Evans, Derek <[derek.evans@sfgov.org](mailto:derek.evans@sfgov.org)> wrote:

Hello,

Thank you to all those who have responded confirming attendance at the meeting tomorrow. If you have not already responded, please do so today and confirm whether you will be in attendance.

Further, please forward any last-minute additions to your application by COB today, so I can ensure that the Supervisors get copies.

Thank you,

**Derek K. Evans**

Assistant Clerk, Board of Supervisors

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, City Hall, Room 244

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December 9, 2015

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I am writing today to support the following candidates for seats on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force:

- Nicholas Smilgys
- Sarah Shrader
- Paul Anthony Camilleri
- Stewart Rhoads
- David Hua
- Barbara Fugate
- Laura Thomas
- Terrence Alan

I believe all these candidates would be valuable assets to the task force, bringing a wealth of experience and knowledge, and skill for resolute decision-making.

In my opinion, appointing the aforementioned applicants would lead to the overall success of the task force, benefiting the medical cannabis community as a whole.

In my 11+ years of owning and operating The Green Cross, I have had the pleasure of working with all these individuals in various capacities. I feel confident they would each be stellar additions to the task force and I hope you will strongly consider their appointments.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kevin Reed  
Founder & President  
The Green Cross



**Board of Supervisors  
City and County of San Francisco  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244  
(415) 554-5184 FAX (415) 554-7714**

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

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Numbers 16 & 17 District: 8

Name: Tom McElroy

Home Address: ██████████ 14th Street Zip: 94114

Home Phone: 415-██████████ Occupation: Architect

Work Phone: 415-814-3256 Employer: Self

Business Address: 485 14th Street Zip: 94103

Business E-Mail: tom@mcelroyarch.com Home E-Mail: amedeomcelroy██████████

**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:

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

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:**

My experience as an active member of the Duboce Triangle Neighborhood Association (DTNA) gives me the background needed to serve this Task Force with distinction. While a member of DTNA, I was the sole architect member of DTNA's Land Use Committee, which reviewed applications for development in our neighborhood. I reviewed the applications and provided feedback to the project sponsors, property owners and business owners regarding their proposals while ensuring a seamless addition to our neighborhood's urban context. I have also been involved in addressing concerns and general neighborhood issues while working within DTNA. Specifically, I developed a proposal to create a special overlay of planning codes for the Duboce Triangle Neighborhood. This experience has given me the perspective needed to contribute usefully to the Task Force's work finding answers to the critical policy questions that statewide cannabis legalization presents. Moreover, as an openly gay man and business owner, I bring my own life experience that represents vital demographic qualities of the City and County of San Francisco, qualities that must be included if the Task Force is to achieve its purpose.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

- \* Owner, McElroy Architecture, San Francisco, CA, April 2009 - present
- \* Project Architect, Feldman Architecture, San Francisco, CA, January 2003 - April 2009
- \* Project Architect, Alan Gaynor + Associates, New York, NY, September 1999 - June 2002
- \* Junior Designer, LAN Associates, Hawthorne, NJ, September 1998 - July 1999
- \* B.A., 1998, Architecture, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY
- \* B.S., 1998, Building Sciences, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY
- \* LEED Accredited, 2008, Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design, San Francisco, CA

**Civic Activities:**

- \* Duboce Triangle Neighborhood Association, San Francisco, CA, Member, March 2009 - present
- \* American Institute of Architects, San Francisco Chapter, San Francisco, CA, January 2009 - present
- \* Lesbian & Gay Chorus of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA, Member, October 2002 - present

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

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**Date:** November 1, 2015      **Applicant's Signature: (required)** Tom McElroy

(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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## **T O M M c E L R O Y**

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### **PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION**

Licensed California Architect, 2006

LEED Accredited design professional, 2008

### **EDUCATION** Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY 12180

Bachelor of Architecture, August 1998

Bachelor of Building Science, August 1998

Rome Studies Program, Rome, Italy

Turkey Studies Program, Istanbul, Turkey

### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### **McElroy Architecture** - principal architect, self-employed

San Francisco, CA March 2009 - present

single family home remodels and additions throughout the bay area

HiTops bar - new tenant design in an existing bar space

Hecho restaurant - new restaurant design in a new building

Hyperoptics optometrist office and retail store - tenant improvement retail space

Rainbow Grocery - design of a kiosk serving Stumptown coffee

#### **Feldman Architecture** - project architect

San Francisco, CA January 2003 - March 2009

single family home remodels and additions throughout the bay area

#### **Alan Gaynor + Co.** - project designer

New York, NY September 1999 – June 2002

BusinessWire - Two adjacent floors designed to work as a news dissemination platform

Bear USA Headquarters - New Building behind a preserved an historic street façade

Promotions.com - An open-form office plan with flexible spaces for an internet start-up

Jewish Board of Family and Children's Services - A group home in an existing structure

#### **LAN Associates** - junior designer

Goshen, NY October 1998 – June 1999

Van Dyk Assisted Care Facility, Hawthorne, NJ - A 30 unit assisted-care housing facility

Baumann Residence, Pine Island, NY, Single family private house

**John G. Waite & Associates** - intern

Albany, NY January 1996 – August 1996

Tweed Courthouse - Survey and restoration of former courthouse.

Packard Collegiate Institute, Brooklyn - NY Schematic design of a penthouse addition

Edith Wharton Residence 'The Mount' - Partial restoration of an early 1900s structure

**SKILLS**

AutoCad, Sketchup, Vectorworks, PhotoShop, Microsoft Office, familiarity with Spanish and Italian

**ACTIVITIES**

AIA Small Business Committee 2009 - present. Chairperson 2011-2012

Lesbian / Gay Chorus of San Francisco 2002 - present. Board member 2009-present

Painting, design, music, filmmaking, yoga, camping, travel, food

# Architects

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October 2, 2015

Cannabis State Legalization Task Force  
San Francisco

To Whom it May Concern,

I am an architect and professional colleague of Tom McElroy, and have worked actively with him over the last seven years on bettering the state of the architectural profession in general, and small practices in particular.

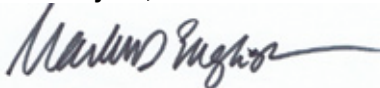
Seven years ago I found myself as the Chair for the American Institute of Architects San Francisco Chapter Small Firms Committee (AIASF). I reworked the organization of the committee to increase its relevance, and chose Tom to succeed me, to continue the progress we had made.

I found Tom to be tremendously capable, dependable and insightful, and a great leader and team player. Tom continued the progress we had made and successfully handed off the office to the next set of capable hands. Today the committee continues to influence the direction of our Chapter Board, and is a dependable source of actionable ideas.

Tom is well known as a person very willing to share advice and insight with his peers, in a profession that was once characterized by a tendency for isolation. He is deeply involved in the artistic life of the city, and as a small business owner, is invested in the community at large.

I wholeheartedly endorse and support Tom's membership in your Task Force.

Thank you,



Mark English  
AIACC Board of Directors member

**Dale Danley**  
**2088 Golden Gate Ave**  
**San Francisco CA 94115**  
**415-205-5739**

October 21, 2015

To Whom it May Concern,

I am pleased to provide this letter of recommendation for Tom McElroy.

Over the last ten years, I have become well acquainted with Tom, primarily through our association with the Lesbian Gay Chorus of San Francisco (LGCSF). LGCSF is an independent, non-profit organization with 35 years history of being based in San Francisco's LGBT community. During that time, Tom and I have both been singing members of the chorus, performing several shows per year on stages throughout the city and Bay Area. In addition, we have both gone above and beyond that by taking an active role in the leadership of LGCSF.

As a fellow chorus member, I can attest that Tom has been an important and dedicated member of the group since joining in 2002. He is an active volunteer in the fundraising events the chorus has held. Tom is a productive member in terms of spirit and working to ensure the quality of the chorus. He has stepped forward when the chorus needs a leader for a musical or variety show, and helping to manage or run a fundraiser.

In addition, we both joined the Board of Directors 6 years ago when our chorus leadership was preparing to seek a new Artistic Director. Tom joined with the intention of streamlining the new director selection process. He reviewed applications, conducted interviews and filtered data on the applicants. I took on the role as Board President over the last 4 years, and then in 2015, I was elected to serve as Treasurer of the Board. For his part, Tom became the Board Secretary and performed duties of that role for several years. He participated in the shift and development of a stronger Board than when he joined it. He participates actively in meetings of the full board and committees of the board. He has helped conduct surveys and discussions with the entire chorus membership to effect change and encourage growth of the group as a whole.

Tom is passionate about the chorus, its role and presence in the gay community and beyond in San Francisco. This is evident in his devotion to and continued participation in both the membership and leadership of the chorus for over a decade. I recommend Tom as a positive addition to the task force that he is applying for.

Sincerely,



Dale Danley

Board member and Singing Member, Lesbian/Gay Chorus of San Francisco  
Analyst, UC San Francisco Center for AIDS Prevention Studies



# L Wong Engineering

October 24, 2015

L Wong Engineering Inc.  
485 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
San Francisco, CA 94103

I'm happy to provide a reference for my professional colleague Tom McElroy. I am a structural engineer with my own small business in San Francisco, working mainly on residential projects. I was introduced to Tom McElroy through an architect colleague in 2008. He and I collaborated on a remodel project at that time and in the years since I've worked with him on several projects. When I met Tom he was working on his own, he has now grown his firm to a 4-person team.

Tom's firm has a studio office in the Mission and I share the space with them, so I see firsthand the daily handling of his business. His work involves predominantly single-family residential projects. They range from small additions and interior projects room by room, to full-scale down to the studs remodels and a few new buildings as a result of tear-downs. Their work has started to branch out into small commercial interiors projects.

He has built a professional yet casual environment that fosters the creative process of their business. The group will often discuss options and tough decisions in a quick meeting, and sometimes ask me for my opinion as I'm involved in many of their projects. Clients visit the office for design meetings and Tom will present ideas to them and sketch during the meeting to include them in the design process.

I've attended first-time meetings with Tom and homeowners and seen him patiently explain the process to them. He has a friendly approach to help clients feel comfortable as they embark on an often several-year contract. I've seen him defuse tough situations in the middle of construction when things seem to have gotten stuck or hit a bump in the process. He has the ability to encourage and push clients beyond their comfort zones to consider designs and ideas that make each project a unique product.

Although he has team members who will drive the projects forward, Tom remains personally involved with all clients. He strives to ensure each project is delivered according to the clients' needs and expectations, meeting with them throughout construction for everyone to see the progress. His business requires that he manage multiple projects at once, a skillful balance of priority that shifts constantly.

Tom's work comes mainly from personal references and recommendations from former clients. To ensure keeping his net cast wide for potential connections he is active in the design community and beyond.

Knowing Tom I feel he would be a valuable member of the Cannabis Task Force.

Yours Sincerely,



Larry Wong



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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 18 - public health District: 10

Name: Laura Thomas

Home Address: [Redacted] Vermont St Zip: 94110

Home Phone: 415/[Redacted] Occupation: public health advocacy

Work Phone: 415/241-9800 Employer: Drug Policy Alliance

Business Address: 131 - 10th Street Zip: 94103

Business E-Mail: lthomas@drugpolicy.org Home E-Mail: lgthomas@[Redacted]

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Check All That Apply:

Registered voter in San Francisco: Yes [X] No [ ] If No, where registered: \_\_\_\_\_

Resident of San Francisco [X] 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:

I have lived in San Francisco for over 27 years. I currently live in District 10, on the edge of the Mission, and I work in Western SOMA/Mid-Market. I am a member of the LGBTQ community and am proud that the modern marijuana legalization movement in this country has been championed by LGBTQ people, starting with gay men with HIV and their partners here in San Francisco. I'm a white cisgender woman in my late forties.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I am the Deputy State Director, California, for the Drug Policy Alliance, the nation's leading organization promoting drug policies that are grounded in science, compassion, health, and human rights. In that role, I lead our work on state and local legislation on harm reduction, drug policy reform, a public health approach to substance use, and drug user health. Marijuana legalization is a top priority for the organization, and I am familiar with the public health, social justice, and legal issues related to legalizing adult recreational use of marijuana. I have worked in public health in San Francisco since 1990, including six years at the Department of Public Health. I have also worked for the San Francisco AIDS Foundation, Tenderloin Health, and Continuum HIV Day Services. My educational background is in public health, with a Masters in Public Health and a Masters in Public Policy from UC Berkeley.

**Civic Activities:**

I have been an active member of a number of community planning groups, non-profit Boards of Directors, and other civic organizations. I currently serve as the co-president of the Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club, a group which has supported marijuana legalization since it was founded. In that capacity, I am involved in many local policy campaigns and discussions. I sit on the HIV Prevention Planning Council, advising the Department of Public Health on HIV prevention and harm reduction, and I previously served for many years on the HIV Health Services Planning Council, including a number of years as co-chair. I was one of the founders of the San Francisco Dyke March and on the organizing committee until 2002. I have been honored to be on the Board of Directors for the Asian & Pacific Islander Wellness Center as well as the Board of Women Organized to Respond to Life-threatening Disases (WORLD), an organization serving HIV-positive women. Additionally, I volunteer with the Golden Gate Raptor Observatory and the San Francisco AIDS Foundation syringe access services program.

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

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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: 9/30/2015 Applicant's Signature: (required) Laura Thomas

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

**Laura G. Thomas, MPH, MPP**  
[REDACTED] Vermont Street  
San Francisco, CA 94110  
415/[REDACTED]  
lgthomas@[REDACTED]

## **Professional Experience**

**Deputy State Director, California**  
**Interim State Director, California**

March 2008 – present  
January – August 2012

*Drug Policy Alliance, San Francisco, CA*

Lead DPA's drug policy reform advocacy efforts in San Francisco. Promote DPA's core priorities in the political, cultural, and academic arenas in San Francisco, California, and nationally. Lead DPA's California harm reduction legislative advocacy, including successful passage of syringe access and overdose bills. Serve as DPA's primary media spokesperson in San Francisco. Coordinate HIV and harm reduction policy work across the organization. Present at conferences (including United States Conference on AIDS, American Public Health Association Conference, and International Harm Reduction Conference), community forums, town halls, and classes on drug policy reform, especially harm reduction. Manage San Francisco office and budget. Supervise administrative staff, interns, and volunteers. Produced the harm reduction and public health tracks for the International Drug Policy Reform Conference in 2008, 2010, and 2012.

**Health Policy Consultant**

June 2005 – March 2008

*San Francisco, CA*

Consulted on health policy, advocacy, planning, and grant writing. Planned and facilitated meetings. Developed policy and program recommendations for community organizations. Clients included state and local governments, national HIV/AIDS organizations, and local community-based organizations.

**Director of Contracts and Planning**

July 2006 – January 2007

*Tenderloin Health (previously Continuum), San Francisco, CA*

Managed agency as part of senior management team. Coordinated and implemented strategies for integrating two newly-merged agencies. Oversaw contract and grant management and reporting. Developed and wrote grants and reports. Participated in community health service system planning. Maintained strong relationships with community and government partners.

**Director of Grants and Public Policy**

December 2003 – July 2006

*Continuum, San Francisco, CA*

Managed agency as a member of senior management team, including strategic planning, merger planning, budget and fiscal oversight, and program development efforts. Planned and wrote grants. Maintained strong relationships with community and government partners and allies. Coordinated community health planning efforts. Conducted public policy analysis and advocacy. Represented agency in national, state, and local meetings and conferences.

**Health Planner, HIV Health Services**

June 1998 – December 2003

*AIDS Office, San Francisco Department of Public Health, San Francisco, CA*

Responsible for policy and planning for HIV health services. Represented DPH with state and federal officials and advocated for HIV-related policies, appropriations, and legislation. Wrote successful multi-million-dollar grant proposals. Developed and implemented policies and programs. Analyzed federal and state policies and regulations. Worked with community planning council to assess needs, prioritize services, and allocate funding. Drafted Requests for Proposals and staffed selection process. Provided information to community members, media, elected officials, and colleagues.

**Public Policy Associate**

March 1996-June 1998

*San Francisco AIDS Foundation, San Francisco, CA*

Analyzed policies and recommended responses on local and state HIV issues and budgets. Worked with community members and officials. Represented agency in meetings with local, state, and federal officials. Testified at local and state legislative hearings. Wrote newsletter articles and policy analyses. Educated community members on important policy issues and coordinated grass-roots responses.

**HIV Program Associate**

July 1994-June 1995

*Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, Menlo Park, CA*

Reviewed and evaluated grant proposals and advised senior staff on funding decisions. Managed programmatic aspects of funded projects. Communicated with grantees. Researched policy issues. Summarized grants and produced progress reports for the Board.

**United States Senate Policy Intern**

June-August 1993

*Senate Labor & Human Resources Committee, Poverty & AIDS Office, Washington, DC*

Researched HIV/AIDS policy issues, particularly HIV prevention, for Senator Edward M. Kennedy's Committee staff. Worked with Congressional staff, constituents, lobbyists, and community advocates.

**Outreach Coordinator and Editorial Associate**

August 1990-September 1992

*AIDS Treatment News, San Francisco, CA*

Researched, wrote, and edited newsletter articles on HIV treatment and public policy. Presented to conferences and classes. Provided subscription services to clients. Coordinated resource library.

**Community Relations Coordinator**

March-July 1991

*VII International Conference on AIDS, Istituto Superiore di Sanita, Rome, Italy*

Worked with media, conference organizers, and local and international community groups. Coordinated HIV/AIDS scholarship program. Organized eleven community-oriented sessions.

**Endowment Fund Associate**

September 1988- March 1991

*San Francisco Education Fund, San Francisco, CA*

Provided administrative assistance for fundraising campaign. Wrote newsletter articles, correspondence, and reports. Re-designed donor information systems.

## Education

### Masters of Public Health

*School of Public Health,*

*University of California, Berkeley, CA*

May 1995

### Masters of Public Policy

*Goldman School of Public Policy (formerly Graduate School of Public Policy)*

*University of California, Berkeley, CA*

May 1995

### Bachelor of Arts

*Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT*

May 1988

## Board, Community, and Volunteer Work

*Co-President*

January 2014 – present

*Member, Executive Board*

March 2012 – present

*Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club*

*Member*

July 2012 – present

*HIV Prevention Planning Council*

*Member, Steering Committee*

August 2011 – present

*HIV Prevention Justice Alliance*

*Volunteer*

July 2003 – present

*Golden Gate Raptor Observatory*

*Volunteer*

March 1997 – present

*Syringe Access Services, San Francisco AIDS Foundation*

*Women's History Month Honoree*

March 4, 2014

*Honored by Supervisor Scott Wiener — "Celebrating Women of Character, Courage and Commitment"*

*Member*

November 1990 – June 1998, March 2004 – February 2014

*Council Co-Chair*

November 1995 – September 1997, May 2007 – September 2011

*San Francisco HIV Health Services Planning Council*

*Member, Board of Directors*

May 2007 – April 2013

*Asian & Pacific Islander Wellness Center*

*Member*

May 2009 – December 2011

*Mayor's Hepatitis C Task Force*

*Local Unsung Hero Award*

December 2010

*National AIDS Memorial Grove*

*Member, Board of Directors*

January 2002 – May 2011

*Board Chair*

July 2006 – January 2010

*Women Organized to Respond to Life-threatening Disease (WORLD)*

*Local Community Advisory Board Leader* March 2005 – December 2009  
Medical Monitoring Project, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention

*Member, Board of Directors* September 2000 – December 2008  
*Treasurer* December 2006 – December 2008  
*Recipient, Partnership Award* January 2009  
Communities Advocating Emergency AIDS Relief (CAEAR) Coalition

*Member* March 2004 – December 2007  
California HIV Planning Group, California State Office of AIDS

*Affiliate Faculty of Health Education* August 1998 – May 2000, March – December 2003  
Masters in Public Health Program, San Francisco State University

*California HIV Care Services Advisor* June 2001 – July 2003  
California State Office of AIDS

*Program Planning Committee Member* June 2000 – July 2003  
National AIDS Update Conference

*Member* February 2000 – June 2001  
All-Title Group, California Statewide Coordinated Statement of Need

*AIDS Hero Award Recipient* May 2000  
San Francisco AIDS Candlelight Vigil

*Program Committee Member* June 1997 – July 1998  
San Francisco Health Plan

*Steering Committee Member & Co-chair, Insurance Issues Subcommittee* July 1997 – January 1998  
Mayor's Summit on AIDS & HIV

*Activist* October 1988 – June 1994  
AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power

*Member, Board of Directors* February 1991 – December 1992  
Women's AIDS Network

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Seat # or Category (If applicable): 19, 21 District: 6

Name: Terrance Alan

Home Address: [Redacted] Folsom Street; San Francisco, CA Zip: 94107

Home Phone: [Redacted] Occupation: Consultant

Work Phone: 415-264-1129 Employer: Hare Brained Productions

Business Address: PO Box 77406; San Francisco, CA Zip: 94107

Business E-Mail: terrance@sequelmedia.com Home E-Mail: [Redacted]

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I am a resident of SF for over 35 years living primarily in SOMA. I am a 62 year old white gay man coupled and happily married for 18+ years. I have been living with HIV for 32 years, just surviving the AIDS death which took so many of my gay family. It was my response to the AIDS crisis which brought me to the cannabis community. In the daily effort to manage the side effects of the years HIV exposure and the effects of the drugs used to combat the virus created, I re-discovered cannabis (having been a student inhaler) which Randal, my deceased lover of 12 years, and I used cope with the nausea and appetite loss which came with the early and mostly unsuccessful HIV drugs. To provide us and our friends with all but free cannabis medicine, I grew in our closet, which led to the 1992 raid on our small flat by 150 DEA and other enforcement officers who were persuing the "gay marajuana mafia." As a result of the raid, I met Dennis Peron, Tony Serra and the world of medical marajuana activism. My case helped motivate the BoS to make medical marajuana enforcment SF's "lowest priority" and in fact introduced me to the "gay marajuana mafia." The health management of my HIV infection has always included medical cannabis and kept me a part of that community.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

highlights:  
Teacher/administrator at private special education school - 1974 to 1979.  
Construction Company Partner - 1980 to 1990.  
Community based entertainment producer and fundraiser - 1993 to present.  
Publisher of "Fetish" magazine - 1998 to 2002.  
Owner/Operator SF Gay Social Club, "Campus Theater" - 2000 to 2009.  
Builder/Owner/Operator "Blue Cube" nightclub/restaurant - 2005 to 2008.  
Producer/Partner "SF LovEvolution" - 2004 to 2011.  
Owner of Hare Brained Productions entertainment - 2009 to present.

**Civic Activities:**

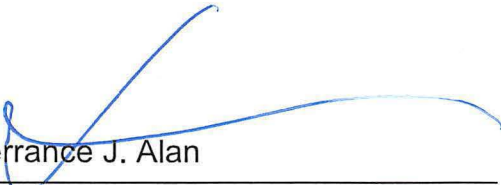
Chairman of the San Francisco Late Night Coalition - 1995 to 2015  
Founding Board member of CHAMP, the city's first patient co-op medical cannabis dispensary -1996 to 1998.  
Board member of NOMNIC, a non-pforit economic development corporation working in the Tenderloin - 1998 to present.  
Founding Board member of the Tenderloin Community Benefit District - 2002 to 2008 and 2014 to present.  
Founding President and two term member of the San Francisco Entertainment Commission - 2001 to 2009.  
Founding member of CMAC, the California Music and Culture Association - 2009 to present  
Co-founder of California Cannabis Voice and the not for profit Cannabis Voice Knows - 2013 to present.  
Recipient of the Gangier Award for an unsung hero of cannabis advocacy - 2015.

I have and continue to believe in the value of community sevice and have recently turned to dipolmacy believing it to be the strongest form of community activism. My proudest achievements are counting those who do not share my political views as some of my closest friends.

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Date: 12.01.1015 Applicant's Signature: (required)

  
Terrance J. Alan

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Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9 11 12 or 21 District:

Name: Sarah Shrader

Home Address: 21st Street Zip: 94110

Home Phone: 415 Occupation: Legal Assistant, Teacher, etc

Work Phone: 707 540 4024 Employer: Law Office of E. D. Lerman

Business Address: 50 Old Court House Square Santa Rosa Zip:

Business E-Mail: custodianofrecords@yahoo.com Home E-Mail: sarah@

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I have had the pleasure of benefiting from the diverse culture that San Francisco offers, as a native of San Francisco, I can only imagine how different my life experiences would have been without being raised in the Mission District, taking college classes at CCSF at the Castro Street Campus, going to high school in Hunters Point, being a neighbor to a medical cannabis dispensary were all part of my journey growing up in this great city. See attached letter for more on this.



**Business and/or professional experience:**

Legal Assistant, In home caregiver, chiropractic assistant, non profit education, office manager at a medical cannabis clinic.

**Civic Activities:**

Working on developing sound medical cannabis policies, at the local, state, and federal level. Attended four California Lobby Days with ASA, attended three National ASA unity Conferences (won National Patient Advocacy Award in 2013) including meetings with our federal representatives. I also sat on the cannabis working group prior to be seated as the National Policy Seat on the San Francisco Medical Cannabis Task Force.

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Date: 9/28/15

Applicant's Signature: (required)

Sarah Shrader



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**Sarah Shrader**  
[REDACTED] 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
San Francisco, CA 94110  
415 [REDACTED]  
sarah@[REDACTED]

Monday September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Dear San Francisco Rules Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to apply for Seats 9, 11, 12 & 21 on the Cannabis Legalization Task Force. As a native of San Francisco, and an advocate for medical cannabis since 2001, I would like to offer my knowledge and expertise to develop sound and sensible policies for the City of *San Francisco*.

Prior to be involved in medical cannabis, I worked as an in home care provider for mentally and physically disabled patient's, and as a chiropractic assistant in a small clinic in Potrero Hill. I was in a motor vehicle accident, four months after graduating from *SF City College* at the age of 18, where I was later diagnosed with fibromyalgia, leaving me with a range of symptoms including nerve damage, pain, chronic fatigue, & IBS. In my quest of healing, I tried dozens of medications and visited over 30 medical professionals and specialists to help ease my pain. Nothing has provided me the relief that cannabis has been able to offer.

As an advocate of medical cannabis, I was one of the founding members of the San Francisco Chapter of ASA(Americans for Safe Access). I received a patient advocacy award in Washington DC in 2013 for years of work in this industry. My work experience includes Office Manager of *Compassionate Health Options* medical cannabis clinics, Northern California Liaison for *Americans for Safe Access*, Politics & History teacher at *Oaksterdam University*, and legal assistant for two cannabis defense attorneys.

I'm confident that I can contribute a balanced and well rounded prospective based on the following:

- I'm a mother of two children: ages 5 and 8 years old
- I was born and raised in San Francisco graduating from (bi-lingual) schools in the Mission district, and Hunters Point
- I have been a neighbor to an active dispensary (Re-leaf Center)
- I depend on medicinal cannabis for my own quality of life
- I have a good understanding of the hurdles medical cannabis dispensaries face: banking issues, federal interference, permitting & zoning issues, neighbor disputes, records,
- My interest has always been how to better serve the needs of patients
- My goal is for San Francisco to continue to set a model for the nation to follow (as we have on the past, on so many issues)



I have serious concerns about the legalization structures that have been implemented in other states. Washington passed zero tolerance DUI laws, that make it illegal to drive with cannabis in your system. The last thing we want to do is create a system that further criminalizes activity that is considered legal. Colorado was another good example of what we do not want to replicate in California, in order to prepare for the first day of cannabis sales January 1<sup>st</sup>, there was a one time transfer of any amount of medicine from the Medical cannabis program to the recreational cannabis program. This essentially means that patients who depend on cannabis for quality of life, gifted thousands of pounds of cannabis to recreational users to get high and make money. The consequence is the patients who need this most, who may not be able to afford the medicine they need, are the ones suffering while others make money. These models should be lessons for us.

Qualifications for the following Seats:

Seat 9: I have worked and volunteered in the cannabis industry for over 13 years in Northern California, with professional experience working for an attorney, doctor, and the largest grassroots organization supporting medical cannabis, Americans for Safe Access.

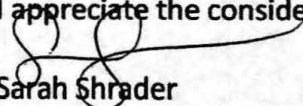
Seat 11: I use a range of cannabis products to relive my symptoms related to fibromyalgia which I was diagnosed following a MVA in Golden Gate Park, in 2000. My interest in being a voice during medical cannabis legalization is to ensure that patients rights are preserved and that we work towards a system that does not criminalize patients based on quality of life needs.

Seat 12: I have been a cannabis advocate for over a decade in San Francisco, working with *San Francisco ASA & Medical Cannabis Task Force* (as well as the *working group* that created the task force), my exposure to cannabis in San Francisco began as early as middle school, I can contribute balanced solutions based on a range of experiences in San Francisco.

Seat 21: While I consider myself no public policy expert, I have worked at the local, state, and federal level to help develop ordinances, bills, and congressional solutions to our current hurdles on medical cannabis. Working towards sensible regulation I have had the opportunity to work with city councils, board of supervisors, sheriff, narcotics, department of public health, planning departments, and retired politicians. *Americans for Safe Access*, working in alliance with *American Herbal Products Association* (the regulatory agency for all medicinal plants & herbs) have developed a monograph, and standards for distribution, manufacturing, testing, and cultivation. I support AHPA's regulation and look forward to any steps that may remove cannabis from the Controlled Substance Act. I recognize our current legal system unequally affects low income individuals and people of of color.

As a patient born and raised in San Francisco, my interest is to maintain good standards, as San Francisco has always served as a model for the nation.

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Name: Daisy Ozim

Home Address: Van Ness Ave Zip: 94102

Home Phone: Occupation: Community Engagement Coordinator

Work Phone: 5106044337 Employer: TAYSF

Business Address: 1390 Market st Zip: 94102

Business E-Mail: dozim@taysf.org Home E-Mail:

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**Business and/or professional experience:**

Provide peer-counseling services and mental health stigma reduction courses Facilitate health education courses focused on system influence on health Provide workshops and nutrition clinics for youth grades 7-12 Assist program participants in behavioral change through structured programming and activities Run support groups at various organizations to increase collective impact Write grants to secure funding to expand scope of work

Owner of 13th goddess: An ethical professional attire line for women.

**Civic Activities:**

Teaching Political Empowerment for young women at gateway high  
Participated in Youth Commission retreat as facilitator  
Member of Black Women Organized for Political Action in Bay Area  
College Council member for IGNITE  
Member of African American Steering Committee for Health and Wellness

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**Date:** 09/18/2015 **Applicant's Signature: (required)** Daisy Ozim

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# Daisy Ozim

Dozim91@  
(510)

## **SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS**

- Educational background in Biology, Psychological and Social studies and Public Health.
- Trained in Microsoft Office 2013 to create schedules, spread sheets, data charts. Type 65 WPM
- Excellent communication skills and working with public
- 4 years experiences working and volunteering with nonprofit organizations
- Community Advocacy and Civic Engagement skills.

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

*Director*

**Resilient Wellness**

April '14 to Present

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*Communications & Research Coordinator*

July '13 to Present

**TAYSF**

San Francisco, CA

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*Afterschool Program Teacher*

August '13 to June '14

**Bay Area Community Resources**

Richmond, CA

- Prepares creative, hands-on, interactive lesson plans with short and long-range curriculum goals and objectives.
- Monitors student progress and needs as appropriate.

- Utilize a variety of instructional materials, resources, and experiences to enrich student learning and personal development

*Camp Counselor*

June '10 to Aug '11

**Compass Family Services**

San Francisco, CA

- Assisted in planning and supervising all camp activities & field trips for youth in Camp Compass.
- Worked with the Children's Activities Coordinator and Camp Coordinator to plan curriculum, meals and snacks for campers.
- Provided parents with ongoing reports on camper's progress and behavior.
- Monitored camp activities and supervision of groups of 15-30 children at all times

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**Adolescent Health Working Group**

- Assess health disparities among transitional aged youth population then develop strategy to identify and reduce risk factors
- Delegate with network of health care providers, department of public health officials and health focused non-profits
- Planned and designed information booths, outreach brochures, flyers and other marketing material
- Conduct focus groups and create surveys to collect data.
- Facilitated health fairs and workshops at High schools throughout SF

**African American Steering Committee for Health and Wellness**

- Design, evaluate and implement culturally appropriate mental health services
- Advise Alameda County Behavior Health Department on methods of funding, priorities for outreach and program design
- Develop policy related to mental health
- Act as liaison between community and county officials

**ACEs Connection- San Francisco Working Group**

- Coordinate with multiple organizations addressing trauma and Adverse childhood experiences for collective impact
- Development of trauma training for SFUSD students
- Assist in planning and implementation of initiative to increase ACES screenings

**Mental Health Association of San Francisco-S.O.L.V.E Peer Educator**

- Provide trainings for peer educators to improve skills
- Assist in training organizations and institutions on how to interact with individuals experiencing mental health challenges
- Develop curriculum to train organizations and institutions depending on scope of work and populations served

**DEGREES & CERTIFICATIONS**

|                                                                                                                                                              |             |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| City College of San Francisco                                                                                                                                | May '13     |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Associates of Science and Mathematics</i></li><li>• <i>Associates of Behavioral and Social Sciences</i></li></ul> |             |
| SF State University                                                                                                                                          | May '15     |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Bachelor of Science – Public Health Education: Community Health</i></li></ul>                                     |             |
| National Association for Fitness Certification                                                                                                               | March'14    |
| <i>Certified Nutrition Coach</i>                                                                                                                             |             |
| Trauma Informed Care                                                                                                                                         |             |
| <i>San Francisco Department of Public Health</i>                                                                                                             | April'14    |
| Women's Policy Conference                                                                                                                                    |             |
| <i>Intensive Policy Fellowship</i>                                                                                                                           | January '15 |





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Name: Amanda Reiman

Home Address: W. Grand Ave. Apt. Zip: 94607

Home Phone: 510- Occupation: Marijuana policy expert/lecturer

Work Phone: 510-847-2405 Employer: Drug Policy Alliance/UC Berkeley

Business Address: Same as home Zip:

Business E-Mail: areiman@drugpolicy.org Home E-Mail: amanda.reiman@

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Registered voter in San Francisco: Yes No If No, where registered: Alameda Co.

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

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 social worker who has been a medical cannabis patient for 13 years. I teach classes about substance abuse and the LGBT population in the School of Social Welfare at UC Berkeley, from where I earned my PhD in 2006. I was the Director of Research and Patient Services at Berkeley Patient's Group, a dispensary in Berkeley, where I oversaw our compassion program which allotted free cannabis to people with economic and health need. I also oversaw our services program which included massage, acupuncture and various educational offerings, free to patients. Finally, a few years ago I worked with SPARC to conduct a study of the use of cannabis to reduce or eliminate meth use via meditation with medical cannabis patients in San Francisco.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

2006: PhD in Social Welfare from UC Berkeley (completed doctoral dissertation on how medical cannabis dispensaries operate as health service providers. Five facilities from SF were included in that study).  
2005-2007: Pre and post doctoral fellowships in public health at UC Berkeley studying cannabis  
2005-present: Lecturer in UC Berkeley's School of Social Welfare  
2010-2012: Director of Research and Patient Services, Berkeley Patient's Group  
2012-present: Manager, Marijuana Law and Policy, Drug Policy Alliance  
Advisory Board: Canopy Boulder, FlowKana, Green Web Services, Green Rush Consulting  
Chair: Committee to Develop Cannabis Distribution Guidelines, American Herbal Products Association.

**Civic Activities:**

2007-2010: Chair, Medical Cannabis Commission, city of Berkeley  
2013-present: Commissioner, Cannabis Regulatory Commission, city of Oakland  
2007-2012: Performing member, Cheer San Francisco  
2014-present, Board Member, Cheer for Life Foundation  
2014-present: Adoption counselor, CatTown Cafe

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

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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:** 7-23-15      **Applicant's Signature: (required)** Amanda Reiman

(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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# Amanda Reiman PhD, MSW

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Amanda.reiman@  
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**Current Employment**     **Manager, Marijuana Law and Policy**  
Drug Policy Alliance  
Berkeley, CA

**Lecturer**  
School of Social Welfare  
University of California, Berkeley

**Affiliate Scientist**  
Alcohol Research Group  
Emeryville, CA

**Education**     **University of Illinois at Chicago**     *Chicago, IL 1999*

**B.A. in Applied Psychology**

**Jane Addams College of Social Work**     *Chicago, IL 2002*

**Masters Degree in Social Work: Community and Administrative Practice concentration**

**University of California, Berkeley**     *Berkeley, 2006*

**PhD in Social Welfare**

**Areas of specialty: Substance use; Theories of deviance; Policy analysis**

**Dissertation: Cannabis Care: Medical marijuana facilities as health service providers**

**Dissertation Chair: Lorraine Midanik, PhD**

**Selected Publications**     Reiman, A. (2007). *Medical Cannabis Facilities: Inside cannabis care*. VDM Publishing: Germany.

Reiman, A. (2007). Patient Profiles: Medical cannabis patients and health care utilization patterns. *Complementary Health Practice Review*, 12(1), 31-50.

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Gambrill, E. and Reiman, A. (2011). A Propaganda Index for Reviewing Articles and Manuscripts: An Exploratory Study. *PLoS ONE* 6(5):e19516. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0019516.

Janicheck, J. and Reiman, A. (2012). Clinical Service Desires of Medical Cannabis Patients. *Harm Reduction Journal*, 9:12.

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Reiman, A. (2013). The fallacy of a one size fits all cannabis policy. *Humboldt Journal of Social Relations*, 35,104-122.

Reiman, A. (2014). Cannabis Handbook

Reiman, A., Aggarwal, S. and Reinerman, C. (2014). JAMA

Reiman, A., Corva, D. and Earleywine, M. (in press) Lancet Psychiatry

**Teaching**

Graduate Student Instructor: Research Methods 2004-2006  
**University of California, Berkeley**

**Experience**

G.S.I. of the Year: Research Methods Fall/Spring 2005/2006

**Lecturer** Summer 2006-present

**University of California, Berkeley**  
**School of Social Welfare**

Social Welfare 148: Substance Abuse Treatment  
Social Welfare 110: Social Work as a Profession  
Social Welfare 282A/B: Research Methods (Graduate)  
Social Welfare 116: Sexuality and Social Work  
Social Welfare 250U: Substance Abuse Treatment (Graduate)  
Social Welfare 238B: Drug and Alcohol Policy (Graduate)

**Faculty Mentor**

Transfer Alliance Program Summer 2007  
**University of California, Berkeley**

**Faculty Mentor**  
McNair Scholar's Program *Summer 2009*

**Lecturer: Distance Learning** *2012-2013*  
**Humboldt State University**  
**Department of Social Work**  
Research sequence for the MSW students

**Lecturer** *2012-present*  
**UC Berkeley Extension**  
Teach a one day seminar on medical cannabis for  
Those obtaining CADC certification

### **Research Experience**

**National Association of Social Workers, Illinois** *Chicago, IL 2001 - 2002*

#### **Graduate Student Intern**

- Researched and disbursed information regarding policy changes affecting Illinois social workers.
- Developed and carried out a research project on the salaries and benefits along various job positions, education levels and years of experience of Illinois social workers.
- Helped plan Lobby Day, a chance for social work students in Illinois to visit the state capital and meet with legislators.

**National Abandoned Infants Assistance Resource Center** *Berkeley, CA 2002-2003*

#### **Graduate Student Researcher Level II**

- Collected and cleaned data from over 20 programs funded by the Abandoned Infants Assistance Act. Analyzed the data and developed a research report related to policies on pregnancy and substance use.
- Updated fact sheets on subsidized and standby guardianship and developed a grid of state-by-state policies concerning subsidized guardianship.
- Researched and developed reports on prenatal substance use and discarded infants.

**University of California, Berkeley** *Berkeley, CA 2003-2006*

#### **Graduate Student Researcher Level V**

- Worked under Dr. Eileen Gambrill as a graduate student researcher
- Edited new edition of Social Work Practice Textbook
- Developed a rating form for MSW research projects
- Developing a propaganda scale for social services research

**Alcohol Research Group: School of Public Health** *Berkeley, CA 2005-2006*

#### **Pre-doctoral Fellow**

- Completed dissertation on Medical Marijuana Facilities as Health Service Providers

- Attended weekly seminar on public health related research

**Post-doctoral Fellow**

*Emeryville, CA 2006-2008*

- Attended weekly seminar on public health related research
- Attended workshops on advanced statistical methods, including HLM
- Completed two general population research studies using the National Household Survey on Drug Use and Health under a UCB approved protocol.
- Conducted a research study on alcohol and marijuana as substitutes/compliments for the second year of the post-doc, using national data from the U.S. and Canada.
- Assisted on an R21 grant resubmission on alcohol consumption patterns and BMI.
- Submitted an R21 grant as P.I. to NIDA to design and pilot a National Cannabis Survey.
- Co-wrote a policy review on economic alcohol policies for the National Alcoholic Beverage Commissioners
- Completed work on a time-series analysis of drug and alcohol mortality in the United States

**Berkeley Patient's Group**

*Berkeley, CA 2007-2012*

- Completed a survey of 350 medical cannabis patients.
- Conducted a focus group on patient service utilization
- Completed a detailed program evaluation report for Berkeley Patient's Group
- Project development for community-based participatory research in California and Maine around medical cannabis
- Conducted needs assessments and program evaluations to inform medical cannabis policy and practice in California.
- Completed 2 Federal Grant applications (R21, R01) in conjunction with the Alcohol Research Group.
- Developed and maintained the patient services program, including the Helping Hands program which provides free medicine to 200 patients per week.
- Developed and conducted educational seminars for the patient population and the greater community.
- Conducted a survey on the use of CAM among medical cannabis patients.
- Coordinated the social service program.

**SPARC**

*San Francisco, CA 2011*

- Oversaw a research project assessing the relationship between meditation and cravings for methamphetamine.

### **Administrative Experience**

#### **Academic Coordinator**

*Berkeley, CA 2008-2010*

#### **School of Social Welfare, UC Berkeley**

- Worked with the Associate Dean to create the course schedule and workload for the department
- Acted as an advisor for students having issues with the program and/or faculty
- Participated on the Executive Committee and other faculty and departmental committees
- Sought and hired outside lecturers to cover courses within the department
- Scheduled weekly colloquia
- Developed reports on programmatic aspects for the university
- Helped develop a proposal for a joint MSW/MPP program
- Helped oversee the concurrent MSW/MPH program

#### **Reviewer:**

Journal on Social Work Education  
Addiction  
Harm Reduction Journal  
International Journal of Drug Policy  
Drug and Alcohol Review

#### **Computer Skills**

**Word, Excel, SPSS, STATA**

#### **References:**

##### **Lorraine Midanik, PhD**

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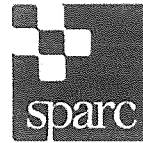
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October 7, 2015  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
Re: Cannabis Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors,

I am a candidate for the San Francisco Cannabis Legalization Task Force writing to endorse Amanda Reiman's candidacy for the Task Force as well.

As the President of SPARC, I've had the opportunity to aid Amanda on a number of research projects surrounding public health and cannabis and I genuinely look forward to collaborating with Amanda on this Task Force as well.

I believe Amanda's unique experience and research will provide invaluable insight to this Task Force. Amanda completed her PhD in Social Welfare at UC Berkeley in 2006 writing her doctoral dissertation on how medical cannabis dispensaries operate as health service providers. Currently, Amanda teaches courses at UC Berkeley on substance abuse treatment and drug and alcohol policy. She also routinely advises government agencies on drug policy. In short, this Task Force would be hard pressed to find a more qualified candidate than Amanda Reiman.

Amanda's contribution to the cannabis community and public health has provided greatly needed research based answers to the very questions that this Task Force will be asking. Additionally, with the proposed legalization of cannabis in California, it is imperative that San Francisco's Task Force be comprised of the best qualified individuals that are collaborative in spirit and research driven—which describes Amanda Reiman perfectly.

As a candidate of the Task Force myself, I look forward to the prospect of working together with Amanda on this very important chapter in San Francisco governance.

Sincerely,

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

Erich Pearson  
President - SPARC



## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Amanda Reiman <areiman@drugpolicy.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 02, 2015 12:42 PM  
**To:** Hsieh, Frances (BOS)  
**Subject:** Setting up a meeting with Sup. Avalos or staff re: Cannabis Task Force  
**Attachments:** CV.Reiman.doc

Hi Frances,

I am a candidate for the SF Cannabis Task Force. I currently work as the Manager of Marijuana Law and Policy for the Drug Policy Alliance and teach in the School of Social Welfare at UC Berkeley. I sit on the Cannabis Regulatory Commission for the city of Oakland and I was the first Chairwoman of the Medical Cannabis Commission for the city of Berkeley. Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend the meeting on Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>, as I will be travelling back from Uruguay where I will be presenting my research on cannabis as a substitute for other drugs. However, I would love the chance to meet with Sup. Avalos or his staff in person, or by phone in the coming weeks so that I might answer any questions you have about my qualifications, and briefly share my vision for cannabis regulation in San Francisco. I have attached my CV as well.

Best,  
Amanda

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## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Amanda Reiman <areiman@drugpolicy.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 09, 2015 1:19 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** RE: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Hearing - 12/10/15 - 10AM

Hi Derek,

I have spoken with Supervisors' Cohen and Wiener's offices and have contacted Avalos. Below is my statement to be entered. Thank you!

### Statement of Amanda Reiman

I am sorry I am not able to be there in person today. I am traveling back from Uruguay where I was presenting on harm reduction and cannabis use. I have been studying cannabis and public health since I moved to Oakland in 2002 to begin the PhD program in Social Welfare. As a medical cannabis patient myself, I was struck by the alternative health care services offered by medical cannabis dispensaries and the role they played in the community as a connection for so many marginalized people. This led me to do my doctoral dissertation on the role of medical cannabis dispensaries as health service providers. The study included data from 5 dispensaries in SF and 2 in Berkeley. I personally collected the data on 130 patients by administering a 20 page survey to them at the dispensary site. This was the first study to study patients in the dispensary context. I then served as the first Chairwoman of the Medical Cannabis Commission for the city of Berkeley, and later went to work for Berkeley Patients Group as their Director of Research and Patient Services, where I oversaw the program that offers free cannabis to needy patients and their patient services program, and conducted research on the use of cannabis as a substitute for alcohol and other drugs. This research continued at SPARC, helping those dependent on methamphetamine control their use with the help of cannabis and meditation. In 2012, I began working for the Drug Policy Alliance as their California Policy Manager, and now as the Manager of the newly formed Marijuana Law and Policy Unit. I currently sit on the Cannabis Regulatory Commission for the city of Oakland. I want to be on the Task Force because I believe in the community based, cannabis business model that observed in San Francisco 10 years ago. I believe that cannabis can be utilized as philanthropic commerce; a mechanism for reinvesting in communities most impacted by the war on drugs. I know San Francisco will be leading the way on cannabis regulations for the state of California, and I have a vested interest in promoting a model that will maximize the benefits of cannabis for communities where it exists.

Best,  
Amanda

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**From:** Evans, Derek [mailto:derek.evans@sfgov.org]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 09, 2015 10:57 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek <derek.evans@sfgov.org>  
**Subject:** RE: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Hearing - 12/10/15 - 10AM



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

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

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Seats # 9, 11, 12, 18 District: 3

Name: Michael Thomas Barbitta

Home Address: █████ Perry St apt █████ Zip: 94107

Home Phone: 415-██████████ Occupation: Cannabis Industry

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: Quil Delivery

Business Address: San Francisco Zip: 94102

Business E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-Mail: mykeyb420@██████████

**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:

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

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:**

I am a certified substance abuse counselor and a student of Pat Denning, and the harm reduction principles. I have studied the field of substance abuse and my passion is helping people overcome the burden of drugs. I have been doing this since 1998.  
I am a 4th generation native San Franciscan, born, raised and still in the City. I am a volunteer fireman and specialize in emergency radio communications. I love my city.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

Medical Cannabis activist for almost 20 years  
Board of Directors President SPARC  
Board of Directors Executive Director Love In it Co-Op  
Marijuana Offenses Oversight Committee  
Certified Substance Abuse Counselor

**Civic Activities:**

Election Inspector in San Francisco since 2006.  
Summer camp counselor for kids with HIV/AIDS at Camp Sunburst.  
San Francisco Fire Department NERT division

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

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Date: 8/14/15      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.)

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## **Michael Barbitta**

██████████ Perry St ██████████ San Francisco, CA 94107 • 415 ██████████ mykeyb420@██████████

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### **References:**

**Wayne Justmann 415-720-9070**

**Cannabis Activist and Pioneer in the movement.  
known 15+ years**

**Sheba Love 707-674-3896**

**Owner of Love In It Co-op  
known 15+ years**

**Mark Leno 415-577-1300**

**State Senator Of California  
known 12+ years**

**Terence Hallinan 415-246-9897**

**Former District Attorney Of San Francisco  
known 12+ years**

# Michael Barbitta

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## SKILLS SUMMARY

- Certified patient consultant through Herbal Rising Cannabis Career College and ASA-CTI Core Cannabis Training Program
- Counselor/Case Management with 16+ years experience working with diverse substance abuse, recovery and HIV+ individuals, including youth at risk, LGBT, low income and the homeless
- Caring and compassionate with ability to motivate and model appropriate behavior while setting limits with respect for confidentiality
- Trained in Harm Reduction. Knowledgeable of community resources and programs
- 12+ years as a counselor for children infected and affected by HIV/AIDS
- Excellent interpersonal communication, team and leadership skills
- Proficient in MS Word and Internet

## EXPERIENCE

**Board of Directors Member** 2012-Present

**SPARC**, San Francisco, CA

- Work on budget issues: approve rent and employee raises, etc.
- Report to Attorney General
- Attend seminars and conferences on cannabis and hemp

**Facilitator** 2012-Present

**Apothecarium**, San Francisco, CA

- Facilitate peer based support group for cannabis patients
- Focus on harm reduction and wellness

**Manager and Board Member** 2011-Present

**Love In It Co-Op**, Mendocino, CA

- Order supplies and make sure medicine is of good quality
- Update patients' records; make sure recommendations are current and valid
- Make reports to the Attorney General regarding operations and budgetary issues
- Operate Co-Op on the weekends; secure store at night; count and prepare money for deposits
- Plan and promote daily specials
- Attend seminars and conferences on cannabis and hemp

**Commissioner** 2009-2013

**Marijuana Offenses Oversight Committee**, San Francisco, CA

- Appointed by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors
- Oversight of the implementation of the lowest priority ordinance 12x
- Compile reports and present problem areas to supervisors once a year

**Manager** 2003-2015

**Compassion And Care Center** San Francisco, CA

- Managed the dispensary and was promoted from delivery person to manager.
- Oversaw all the day-to-day operations of the club, including: hiring and firing of employees, ordering of supplies and inventory.
- Welcomed, counseled and provided comfort to patients.
- Made referrals to community resources as needed.
- Facilitated communication between members, staff and owner.

Michael Barbitta 2

**Member Services**

1998-2002

***Californians Helping Alleviate Medical Problems*, San Francisco, CA**

- Provided all aspects of services for pioneering cannabis clinic, including: security, reception, intake and new member orientation
- Facilitated multiple support groups, including:
  - HIV+ Resources & Support
  - Mental and medical wellness
  - Friday Night Harm Reduction (an alternative to the bar scene)
  - Provided one on one substance abuse counseling to those who desired
- Coordinated field trips and social events for members

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**Neighborhood Emergency Response Team Member badge #19527**

2008-Present

***San Francisco Fire Department*, San Francisco, CA**

- HAM radio license call sign KI6YGA

**Counselor ~ Photographer**

2003-Present

***Camp Sunburst Projects*, Livermore & Cazadero, CA**

- Provide one-on-one mentoring for kids and teens affected by or infected with HIV
- Assist with daily activities and provide emotional support to camp attendees
- Maintain involvement with families by attending events and offering childcare during the year
- Take photos for website, fundraising, and flyers; ensure that children with no photo clause are omitted

**EDUCATION**

**Harm Reduction Training Institute, Oakland, CA**

1999-2006

- Yearly training to be current

**City College of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA**

2009-Present

- Coursework towards Certified Alcohol and Drug Abuse Counselor

August 24, 2015

To:  
City Hall - Board of Supervisors  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

From:  
Billy Suarez  
422 Valencia Street #225  
San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: Recommending Michael Barbitta for a position on the Cannabis Task Force

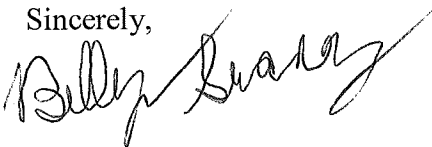
Dear Board of Supervisors,

Hello my name is Billy Suarez and I'm a cannabis user. I've lived in the city for 40 years and seen a lot of changes. Some good some bad! I've gone to dispensaries in the city before they closed down. At one called "Champ" I met Michael Barbitta as the doorman there. He informed me of updates of the cannabis movement and what I needed to do to help. Now since Marijuana is becoming legal, I would like to recommend Michael Barbitta for one of the positions for the Cannabis Task Force.

Because of Michael Barbitta involvement with cannabis I've become more involved in the Medical Cannabis movement. Michael every year volunteers at a summer camp for kids with aids. Every week he runs a harm reduction group sponsored by a cannabis dispensary called Apothecarium. In this group we do letters, e-mails, and other things that get you involved. Because of this group I've been involved more with people, family, friends, and have a stronger relationships with them.

In conclusion I recommend Michael Barbitta for a position on the Cannabis Marijuana Task Force. Thank you for reading this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Billy Suarez". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Billy Saurez



To whom it may concern,

This is a letter of support, for Michael Barbitta for the position of the cannabis taskforce.

Mr. Barbita has been and continues to be a stable member of society, within and without the medical cannabis field. He has proven time and time again, of his constant drive and compassion to see further more the patients of medical cannabis and the great city of San Francisco triumph in its endeavor's. In closing statement I Kent Garbarini give my endorsement of Mr. Michael Barbita as member of the cannabis taskforce of San Francisco.

Signed

Kent Garbarini.

To whom it may concern,

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation of Michael Barbitta, who is applying for a position on the new Cannabis Task Force.

Michael has an extensive background in the medical cannabis community. He was a patient in the first cannabis dispensaries and soon quickly became a member of the staff. He assisted in gathering signatures for Proposition 215 and played a key role in organizing patients to "get out the vote." Michael served on the staff of Champs, the San Francisco Medical Cannabis Dispensary, and SPARC as a budtender and admission specialists. He currently is working with a new delivery service to provide better services to those home bound. Michael has also done tremendous work with harm reduction and conflict resolution groups, which have benefited many patients now and in the past. He has expertise in cultivation and the production of cannabis products which continue to develop more delivery systems. Michael will be a solid and well versed asset to this committee. Please give every consideration to his application.

Respectfully yours,

Wayne Justmann

August 24, 2015

To:  
City Hall - Board of Supervisors  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

From:  
Scott Bickmore  
422 Valencia Street #421  
San Francisco, CA 94103

Re: Recommendation for Michael Barbitta on the Marijuana Task Force

Dear Board of Supervisors,

Hello my name is Scott Bickmore. I use Medical Marijuana for chronic pain relief. I'm recommending that Michael Barbitta "Mykey", be put on the new marijuana task force.

I met Mykey at a Medical Marijuana dispensary, he informed me of other benefits that medical marijuana has. Over the years he informed me how I could participate in the fight for medical marijuana. How my voice can make a difference for others.

Some medical marijuana dispensaries sponsor other health care for patients. Some examples are acupuncture, back massage, meditation, yoga, eating healthier, and harm reduction groups. Mykey is the group leader for a harm reduction group. In this group I've been able to talk about things I wouldn't talk to others. He inspired me to do things I thought I could never do before. Because of this it allowed me to communicate with others using my words.

In conclusion I recommend Michael Barbitta "Mykey" for a position on the Cannabis Marijuana Task Force. Thank you for reading this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Scott Bickmore". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Scott Bickmore

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Signed

Brian Whitten

8-20-2015

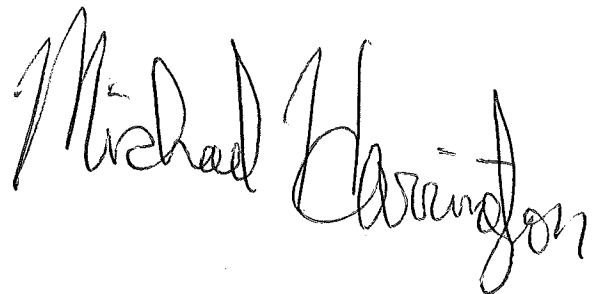
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Dear Board of Supervisors

My name is Michael Harrington; I live in downtown San Francisco California. I am writing you this letter today in support of one Michael Barbitta who is applying for a seat on the Cannabis Task Force in San Francisco California. I have known Michael Barbitta for almost 18 years now. I had met Michael during the late 90's while he was an employee at a medical marijuana cannabis collective named CHAMP. I reconnected with him years later in a harm reduction group on Mondays that he holds. I've been going to his group now for about 3 years. The group that he runs has been very helpful for me; I was going through a lot of problems at the time I found out about his harm reduction group. A friend of mine had invited me to to this group and I've been attending ever since. Recently Michael had announced that he is applying for a seat on the San Francisco Cannabis Task Force and I wanted to express my feelings about it. Michael Barbitta has been a substance abuse counselor since 1999 and is also a certified NERT( Neighborhood Emergency Response Team) in HAM Radio Operations; he is also a volunteer Firefighter. Michael Barbitta is very intelligent and well trained in emergency situations along with a wide range of difficult life situations. Michael spends a week of his time every year as a summer camp counselor for youths and teens who suffer from Hiv and Aids. Michael Barbitta is not just a regular guy; he spends a lot of his time giving back to his community; to me that is very special. I recommend Michael Barbitta for a seat on the San Francisco Cannabis Task Force; for as much as he does for his community; I am sure he will be very fair and impartial for this position. Thank You Supervisors for listening to me and thank you in advance. Michael Barbitta is certainly qualified for this position.

Thank You, Sincerely

Michael Harrington

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Michael Harrington". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with some loops and flourishes.

## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Wayne Justmann <waynejustmann@mac.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, August 15, 2015 3:21 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** mykeyb420 B  
**Subject:** Recommendation for Michael Barbita

To whom it may concern,

It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation of Michael Barbita, who is apply for a position on the new Cannabis Task Force.

Michael has an extensive background in the medical cannabis community.

He was a patient in the first cannabis dispensaries and soon quickly became a member of the staff. He assisted in gathering signatures for Proposition 215 and played a key role in organizing patients to "get out the vote."

Michael served on the staff of Champs, the San Francisco Medical Cannabis Dispensary, and SPARC as a budtender and admission specialists. He currently is working with a new delivery service to provide better services to those home bound.

Michael has also done tremendous work with harm reduction and conflict resolution groups, which have benefited many patients now and in the past. He has expertise in cultivation and the production of cannabis products which continue to develop more delivery systems.

Michael will be a solid and well versed asset to this committee. Please give every consideration to his application.

Respectfully yours,

Wayne Justmann

## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Benjamin Tyminski <xtremegodd@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 24, 2015 2:25 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Michael Barbitta for Cannabis Task Force

Dear Ms. Somera,

I am a resident and activist living in San Francisco. I am writing today in regards to the pending legalization of Cannabis for recreational purposes in California. It is my understanding that a task force is being assembled in San Francisco that will be focusing on the many issues regarding recreational cannabis. I know there are many qualified individuals who are applying for seats on this select committee. I would like to recommend my friend and colleague Micheal Barbitta for a seat on the Task Force.

Micheal has been a long time advocate for medical cannabis patients. He is a native of San Francisco and has worked in many areas of the Cannabis Industry going all the way back to the 1990s. Mr. Barbitta, also facilitates weekly harm reduction groups on behalf of a local dispensary. I feel he would be an excellent addition to this committee and would look after the interests of normal everyday people who are not connected to big money interests in the Cannabis Industry.

Thank You,

Benjamin T.

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 02, 2015 2:38 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** FW: Cannabis State Legalization Taks Force

### *Alisa Somera*

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**From:** Michael B [mailto:mykeyb420@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 02, 2015 1:41 PM  
**To:** Avalos, John (BOS) <john.avalos@sfgov.org>; Tang, Katy (BOS) <katy.tang@sfgov.org>; Cohen, Malia (BOS) <malia.cohen@sfgov.org>  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legalization Taks Force

Dear Supervisors;

I am writing to you today to introduce myself. My name is Michael Barbitta, and I am a 4th generation native San Franciscan. I am applying for the cannabis task force and I feel that am a highly qualified candidate.

I have been in the medical cannabis movement for 20 years now. I started off gathering signatures for proposition 215. My first dispensary I worked in was CHAMP from 1997, to its closing in 2002. After that, me an some friends re-opened it as the Compassionate Care Center. I worked for them



until 2014. I have also sat on the board of directors for SPARC, and for Love In It Co-Op in Mendocino, where I attained the position of President of the Board, and Executive Director. I currently work for Bernal Heights Collective and Quil Delivery.

I received my training in Substance Abuse Counseling in 1999 from the Harm Reduction Training Institute in Oakland CA. I currently am the facilitator in a Wellness Harm Reduction based peer support group for The Apothecarium.

I have served in the Marijuana Offenses Oversight Committee for the last 4 years of its operation. I do my duty as an election inspector for the County in every election. And my most proudest accomplishment is that of a member of San Francisco Fire Department in their NERT division as a disaster service worker and emergency radio operator. My vacations are spent as a camp counselor at Camp Sunburst in Livermore CA, it is a camp for kids with HIV/AIDS. I have been there for 14 years.

Thank you supervisors for you time and effort and thanks for all you do for our great City.

Sincerely

Michael Barbitta

Dear Supervisors,

My name is Michael Barbitta, and I am a 4<sup>th</sup> generation native San Franciscan. I am the great grandson of an Italian immigrant. Even when I was in the Army, I was stationed in Oakland. I have been in the medical cannabis industry for more than 3 decades.

The reason why I am writing to you today is to show my utmost support for Erich Pearson for the new marijuana task force. I have known Erich for almost 10 years and I feel that his extensive knowledge of the cannabis plant would be a great asset to the great city of ours. I also feel that his vision for the future of cannabis and the cannabis business is something that we need to tap into. He has proven to all that he has the know-how and vision for this by just looking at SPARC. If you have the pleasure to tour that facility I'm sure that you will be awestruck. In just 5 short years, they are the leading the way for the future of cannabis.

Thank you very much for your time and effort in this new and pioneering committee.

Sincerely

Michael Barbitta

415-235-9425 South Park area resident 94107



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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

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

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9 and 22 District:

Name: Michael Caruso

Home Address: Hyde St. Apt Zip: 94109

Home Phone: 269- Occupation: Premise Manager (Dispensary)

Work Phone: 269-491-0327 Employer: SPARC

Business Address: 1256 Mission St. Zip: 94103

Business E-Mail: michaelc@sparcsf.org Home E-Mail: mp.caruso@

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Since my time entering the cannabis industry in 2011, I have had the opportunity of interacting with thousands of people related to medical cannabis. I have worked in dispensaries for a little more than four years, and have confidently navigated a multitude of concerns and situations regarding medical cannabis. I have advocated for dispensaries in neighborhood campaigns in Michigan, discussing the topic of cannabis and dispensaries with very diverse groups of people. I have a degree from the University of Michigan in American Culture; my coursework and personal experiences have contributed to my ability to step back from a situation and consider all possible viewpoints. I am very cognizant of surrounding implications relating to my own self interest. I seek to find resolution in an efficient and aware manner. I have only lived in San Francisco for two years, but I am very aware of the neighborhood groups and demographics this city harbors. I have attended meetings of the Planning Commission and seen the different demographics that are represented regarding different issues. I would thrive at this opportunity to share my knowledge and partake in the efforts of this task force.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

San Francisco Patient & Resource Center (SPARC) - SF, CA. August 2013 - Present  
Premise Manager

Green Planet Dispensary - Ann Arbor, MI. June 2012 - July 2013  
Lead Consultant

Depot Town Dispensary - Ypsilanti, MI. May 2011 - May 2012  
Dispensary Manager

**Civic Activities:**

2015 AIDS/ LifeCycle - team raised \$12,000 for the SF AIDS Foundation.  
Signed up for 2016 LifeCycle.  
Carried 37 lbs of food in the 2014 Super-Market Street-Sweep.  
Volunteered for various University of Michigan events.

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

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**Date:** 8/18/2015    **Applicant's Signature: (required)** Michael Paul Caruso

(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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September 8, 2015

Dear San Francisco City Board of Supervisors:

I am writing in regard to the San Francisco Cannabis Legalization Task Force. This letter is to strongly recommend Michael Caruso for a seat on this newly forming Task Force.

Michael is a colleague of mine at SPARC, San Francisco's premier medical cannabis dispensary. I have known Michael for just over a year, and in that time have come to learn that he is well regarded and respected among hundreds of patrons of SPARC for his expertise in cannabis products, and his undoubtedly charismatic interpersonal skills. As the Community Liaison for SPARC, I have found Michael eager and capable of representing the cannabis community in a way that is both insightful and eloquent. Among other reasons, Michael is entrusted as a manager at SPARC because of his ability to contribute both anecdotal and data driven research to approaching the cannabis industry, something I know would be useful to this Task Force.

Michael is keenly aware of the political climate of legalization and has become a source of information for members at SPARC. In that same fashion, and because of his demonstrated commitment to developing and sharing industry best-practices, I know Michael would serve the SF Legalization Task Force well. Additionally, Michael's uniquely youthful and experienced perspective of the cannabis industry of San Francisco is unparalleled, and would offer invaluable data to this Task Force.

Thank you for your consideration of his application.

Joel Freston

## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Robert Jacob <robertj@sparcsf.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 09, 2015 12:07 PM  
**To:** Avalos, John (BOS); Breed, London (BOS); Campos, David (BOS); Christensen, Julie (BOS); Cohen, Malia (BOS); Farrell, Mark (BOS); Kim, Jane (BOS); Mar, Eric (BOS); Tang, Katy (BOS); scott.weiner@sfgov.org; Yee, Norman (BOS)  
**Cc:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Letter of Recommendation for Michael Caruso - Cannabis Task Force  
**Attachments:** Michael Caruso LOR 20150909.pdf

Good afternoon Supervisors,

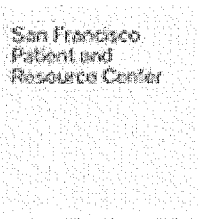
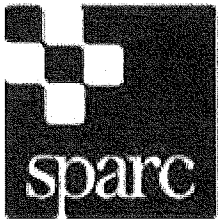
Please see the attached letter of recommendation for Michael Caruso. I have had the pleasure of working with Mike for the last two years at SPARC and he has been a part of the cannabis industry for almost five years. I feel confident in the knowledge that he possesses to help guide our city and state to better regulate cannabis and dispensaries.

Thank you for your time and consideration for Mike.

Robert Jacob

### Robert Jacob

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September 9, 2015

Dear San Francisco County Board of Supervisors:

I am writing this letter to recommend Michael Caruso for a seat on the newly forming Cannabis Task Force.

My name is Robert Jacob, and I serve as City Councilmember for the city of Sebastopol, CA., as well as the Executive Director of Peace in Medicine and SPARC (San Francisco Patient and Resource Center). As a former Mayor of the City of Sebastopol, and as cannabis business entrepreneur based out of San Francisco, I strongly recommend Michael for a seat on this Task Force.

Michael Caruso has been employed with SPARC for the last two years and I know is a well-rounded, uniquely qualified candidate for this Task Force. SPARC is a non-profit healing center and cannabis dispensary in San Francisco. As the Executive Director, I'm proud to say we set the standard for medical cannabis dispensaries by offering more healing services, community resources, and compassionate care. In that regard, as a Manager, Michael has played a pivotal role in developing and implementing industry best practices. Michael's experience in cannabis sales, industry best practices, and specifically his experience inside an industry leading, medical cannabis dispensary can only bolster the knowledge base of the task force and mold better standards for cannabis in our fair city.

Thank you for your time and consideration – Mike is one of our best!

Robert Jacob



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

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9, 11, and 12 District: 8

Name: Brent O. Saupe

Home Address: [redacted] 19th Street Zip: 94114

Home Phone: 415-[redacted] Occupation: Consultant

Work Phone: 415-524-5004 Employer: self

Business Address: same as above Zip: 94114

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

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**Business and/or professional experience:**

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**Civic Activities:**

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Date: 8/20/2015 Applicant's Signature: (required) Brent O. Saupe

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Hello,

The purpose of this communication is to express interest in the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force, and to apply for a seat at the table.

My name is Brent Saupe and I currently work as a San Francisco Bay Area medical cannabis cultivation and construction consultant for no cost to low income patients, as well as helping coordinate, build and operate larger dispensing and nondispensing collective gardens.

I have been teaching others to grow their own medical cannabis, introducing patients to gardeners, and helping to facilitate compliant sustainable collective gardens for over 15 years. I have personally been growing my own cannabis for over 30 years. An experimental San Francisco collective garden that I coordinated called Potspace, was declared by the SFWeekly to be "the best place for someone else to grow your own" in 2011.

As an ex-general contractor, I have been able to help numerous patients set up safe and legally compliant gardens in San Francisco. Building codes and city planning are just as important when considering growing cannabis in San Francisco, as knowing what law enforcement concerns are. Having experienced seven medical cannabis garden raids personally over the last fifteen years, and being "caught" following the rules each time, I have the experience, and perspective necessary to contribute to this conversation in a way that should help create continued success and compliance in San Francisco for cannabis users, law enforcement, and the building dept. alike.

Seeing the importance in working to create reasonable garden guidelines that are easy for patients and law enforcement to understand, I volunteered as a member of the San Francisco Medical Cannabis Task Force, and numerous sub-committees, where we held hearings, collected public input from professionals in the field, as well as from community members, in order to create reports and give recommendations to the Board of Supervisors concerning medical cannabis issues.

I have worked with a variety of cannabis reform and community action groups including: Americans For Safe Access (ASA) since 2002, giving legal trainings and as a peer counselor in dispensaries, and in public forums teaching members how to comply with the law and how to reduce the potential harm that may occur during law enforcement encounters. I also have volunteered with the San Francisco chapter of ASA since 2002 where I helped facilitate meetings, coordinate volunteers, create fund raising opportunities, planned emergency raid responses, and rallied patients for dispensary/court support. In addition to this, I helped co-found Axis of Love, the most active and involved low income patient focused advocacy group, over a decade ago. And since I have developed a huge love and respect for the members and for the compassionate work they do every day.

I have attended Glad Tidings Church in the Fillmore district for over 15 years, where I've served as a board member, teacher, handyman and janitor. I also spent two years in Bible school, and worked in inner city and low income community's in many different capacities over the last 24 years that I have lived in San Francisco. I feel this gives me an inclusive perspective of a large group of San Franciscans who may feel underrepresented during this process.

While not having an active leadership role in these for quite a few years, I have carved out a unique place of mutual respect and communication with each of the prominent and active San Francisco cannabis organizations, and within the San Francisco faith communities as well, and would offer that because of this, I would be a helpful addition to this task force in gathering community input in a fair and amicable fashion, and crafting reasonable rules for San Franciscans in the upcoming months as we prepare for legalization.

I am qualified to fill seat 9, seat 11, or seat 12.

Thank you for considering me for each of these positions, I enjoy being able to serve my community, and to do it in this way would be a joy.

Brent O. Saupe

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

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9, 11, 12 District:

Name: Nicholas Smilgys

Home Address: Amador Village Circle Zip: 94554

Home Phone: 708. Occupation: Head of Operations

Work Phone: 708.606.9769 Employer: Flow Kana

Business Address: 388 Market St. #200 Zip: 94111

Business E-Mail: nick@flowkana.com Home E-Mail: nsmilgys@

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Registered voter in San Francisco: Yes No If No, where registered: 94554

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

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San Francisco is the birthplace of the medical cannabis movement and it should be the guiding light on cannabis legalization as well. Collectively, we have the skills and infrastructure already established to become a worldwide cannabis tourism destination. I have been working to further cannabis in San Francisco for over 5 years and would love to have a chance to help in an official capacity. I have been part of several prominent cannabis organizations here in San Francisco, including being a founder member of SPARC (San Francisco Patient and Resource Center), co-founder of Flow Kana and president of the San Francisco chapter of ASA (Americans for Safe Access). In my capacity as Director of Community Outreach at SPARC, it was my job to listen to and address any concerns from neighbors or the community at large. I'm proud that I played a part in creating the good neighbor model that SPARC embodies today. Currently, I have co-founded Flow Kana which is a project that aims to preserve the legacy of craft cannabis and the heritage farmers that grow the crop. I have an intimate knowledge in all parts of the cannabis industry from permitting, cultivation and retail best practices. I also have a track record of over five years of implementing those best practices. I am an individual that believes in intergrity and community. I would be honored to have your consideration for the Cannabis Task Force in San Francisco.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

Cofounder, Head of Operations - Flow Kana (10/14-present)  
Senior Marketing Manager - Freedom Enterprises (edible manufacturing) (8/14-2/15)  
Director of Community Outreach - SPARC (6/10-8/14)

**Civic Activities:**

President, San Francisco Americans for Safe Access - 6/2012-present  
Brownie Mary Democratic Club - Member  
I have organized several outreach and fundraising programs for many local organizations including: 10th and Mission Housing, SFFD, CaNORML, Maitri Hospice, AIDS Healthcare Foundation and more.

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

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Date: 7/25/15 Applicant's Signature: (required) Nicholas Smilgys

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## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Holli Bert <holli@thegreencross.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 09, 2015 11:53 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Re: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Hearing - 12/10/15 - 10AM  
**Attachments:** CSLTF Letter of Support.pdf

Hi Derek,

Thank you for keeping us updated. Please find a letter of support from Kevin Reed for eight of the CSLTF applicants, to be shared with the Supervisors for tomorrow's Rules Committee Meeting. If you have any questions or concerns about this, please let me know.

Best regards,  
Holli

On Wed, Dec 9, 2015 at 10:57 AM, Evans, Derek <[derek.evans@sfgov.org](mailto:derek.evans@sfgov.org)> wrote:

Hello,

Thank you to all those who have responded confirming attendance at the meeting tomorrow. If you have not already responded, please do so today and confirm whether you will be in attendance.

Further, please forward any last-minute additions to your application by COB today, so I can ensure that the Supervisors get copies.

Thank you,

**Derek K. Evans**

Assistant Clerk, Board of Supervisors

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December 9, 2015

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I am writing today to support the following candidates for seats on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force:

- Nicholas Smilgys
- Sarah Shrader
- Paul Anthony Camilleri
- Stewart Rhoads
- David Hua
- Barbara Fugate
- Laura Thomas
- Terrence Alan

I believe all these candidates would be valuable assets to the task force, bringing a wealth of experience and knowledge, and skill for resolute decision-making.

In my opinion, appointing the aforementioned applicants would lead to the overall success of the task force, benefiting the medical cannabis community as a whole.

In my 11+ years of owning and operating The Green Cross, I have had the pleasure of working with all these individuals in various capacities. I feel confident they would each be stellar additions to the task force and I hope you will strongly consider their appointments.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kevin Reed  
Founder & President  
The Green Cross



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Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 16 & 17 District: 8

Name: Chase Chambers

Home Address: Guerrero, San Francisco, CA Zip: 94103

Home Phone: 512- Occupation: General Manager

Work Phone: 512-921-3854 Employer: The Apothecarium

Business Address: 2095 Market Street Zip: 94114

Business E-Mail: chase@apothecariumsf.com Home E-Mail: chase@

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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 gay man who serves as General Manager of a Castro-area nonprofit medical cannabis dispensary whose employees are majority LGBTQ, serving patients who are also predominantly LGBTQ.



**Business and/or professional experience:**

Chambers holds over a decade of retail management experience and has been an integral part of The Apothecarium since before it opened in the Castro in June 2011. The Apothecarium provides safe access to lab-tested medical cannabis in a clean, professional environment. The SF Planning Department has praised The Apothecarium for its "community centered approach" and for showing how a dispensary "can successfully blend into the community." Chambers helped build the collective from the ground up, leading the management team that ensures its overall success. His efforts have directly impacted the collective's ability to create jobs and donate more than \$300,000 to Castro nonprofits, schools, and charity/fundraiser events.

**Civic Activities:**

Chambers is an active member of the Castro Merchants Association and is also a Castro resident with his husband, since 2012. Chambers manages The Apothecarium's CONNECT! program, which offers member-patients free access to programs that promote the overall health and wellness of the community. Currently, The Apothecarium hosts weekly yoga, meditation, veterans, and anxiety and depression support groups. These groups reinforce healthy lifestyles and encourage positive behaviors to mitigate stress and create connection.

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

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Date: 21 Aug 2015 Applicant's Signature: (required) Chase Chambers

(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

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

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 16 & 17 District: 2

Name: Ryan Hudson

Home Address: Pacific Ave Zip: 94115

Home Phone: 415- Occupation: Co-Founder & Executive Director

Work Phone: 415-928-3300 Employer: The Apothecarium

Business Address: 2095 Market Street Zip: 94114

Business E-Mail: ryan@apothecarium.com Home E-Mail: ryan@

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Check All That Apply:

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

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I am the co-founder of a Castro-area nonprofit medical cannabis dispensary whose employees are majority LGBTQ, serving predominantly LGBTQ patients.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

Ryan Hudson is a seasoned entrepreneur with an engineering and technical background. He is a co-founder of The Apothecarium, a medical cannabis dispensary based in SF's Castro neighborhood. The Apothecarium provides safe access to lab-tested medical cannabis in a clean, professional environment. The SF Planning Department has praised The Apothecarium for its "community centered approach" and for showing how a dispensary "can successfully blend into the community." In a recent address to U.S. House of Representatives, Nevada Congresswoman Dina Titus referred to Hudson as a "leader, expert and innovator," in medical cannabis. Earlier in his career, Hudson served in network engineer roles supporting large medical device and investment bank corporations. His previous start-ups were in veterinary health, mobile apps and computer diagnostics.

**Civic Activities:**

Hudson has led The Apothecarium's program of community philanthropy, donating more than \$300,000 dollars to more than 30 nonprofits, schools, charity/fundraiser events - mostly based in the Castro. These include: Maitri, The Family Link, Dolores Street Community Services, Brighter Beginnings, Equality California, Rocket Dog Rescue, PAWS (Pets are Wonderful Support), Rooms that Rock 4 Chemo, LYRIC, Lyon-Martin Health Services, Larkin St. Youth Center, SF Pride, SF AIDS Foundation, The Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence, AIDS Emergency Fund, The Shanti Project, Harvey Milk Civil Rights Academy.

Hudson is also an active board member of the Castro Merchants Association and the California Cannabis Industry Association. He founded 1st Saturdays, a non-profit focused on helping the homeless in San Francisco.

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

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Date: 8/21/15 Applicant's Signature: (required) Ryan Hudson

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

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

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9-10-11-12 District: 6

Name: WAYNE JUSTMANN

Home Address: [REDACTED] HYDE ST. APT. 7. SAN FRAN Zip: 94109

Home Phone: 415 [REDACTED] Occupation: ADVISOR/CONSULTANT FOR

Work Phone: 415 720 9070 Employer: MED. CANNABIS DISPENSORIES

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

Business E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-Mail: WAYNEJUSTMANN@ [REDACTED]

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

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70 YEAR OLD, GAY, HIV POSITIVE FOR 27 YEARS, BEEN INVOLVED IN MEDICAL CANNABIS ISSUES 1994 HAVE A GOOD EAR AND VOICE WORKING WITH A VARIETY OF CHALLENGES,

**Business and/or professional experience:**

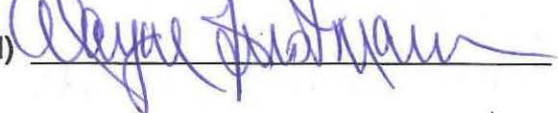
MORTON EAST H.S. GIGERO, IL 1967-79 TEACHER / COACH  
CULINARY SCHOOL WASHINGTON, D.C. 1984-87 DIRECTOR  
SAN FRANCISCO PATIENTS RES. CENTER 1999-2002 DIRECTOR

**Civic Activities:**

HARVEY MILK CLUB MEMBER  
PARTICIPANT & SPEAKER AT COMMUNITY EVENTS

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

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Date: 09-02-2015 Applicant's Signature: (required) 

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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 10\*, 11, 9 District: 6

Name: Kevin Reed

Home Address: 11th Street Zip: 94103

Home Phone: (415) Occupation: Founder & President

Work Phone: (415)648-4420 Employer: The Green Cross

Business Address: 4218 Mission Street Zip: 94112

Business E-Mail: kevinreed@thegreencross.org Home E-Mail: kevinreed@

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Resident of San Francisco [X] Yes [ ] No [ ] If No, place of residence:

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As Founder and President of The Green Cross, San Francisco's first permitted medical cannabis dispensary, Kevin Reed has ensured that the organization's primary goal is to improve the social and economic conditions of the neighborhood while providing living wages to residents of the surrounding area. Since opening a storefront in the Excelsior District, he has employed several residents of the neighborhood. Kevin takes pride in providing employment opportunities to talented individuals from a diverse array of backgrounds. As a matter of fact, The Green Cross currently employs individuals who speak many different languages to better serve the organization's diverse group of over 40,000 patient-members. Moreover, Kevin has taken the initiative to join various local neighborhood associations to help improve the district he calls home. Kevin has worked diligently to ensure The Green Cross storefront is ADA compliant with two green zone parking spaces out front. When a disabled patient of The Green Cross needed a new walker, Kevin took it upon himself to purchase him a new one at no cost to the patient. When another patient was in need of a new battery for her wheelchair, Kevin happily purchased her one. It's these small acts of kindness that set Kevin Reed and The Green Cross apart. As an active member of the LGBT community, Kevin is one of the few LGBT MCD operators in San Francisco. He actively supports local organizations like Alice B. Toklas LGBT Democratic Club, Harvey Milk LGBT Democratic Club and San Francisco AIDS Foundation. In addition, Kevin and The Green Cross participate in San Francisco and Oakland Pride each year to unite both the LGBT and medical cannabis communities in one common goal: love and acceptance for all.



**Business and/or professional experience:**

Alabama native Kevin Reed is the President and Founder of The Green Cross. He moved to San Francisco from Mobile, Alabama in 1999 (following the passage of Proposition 215) after a car accident left him with serious chronic hip and back pain.

Once in San Francisco, Kevin soon discovered the health benefits of medical cannabis for treating his persistent hip and back pain. During this time, the cost of purchasing medical cannabis through local dispensaries was extremely exorbitant, and because of this, Kevin began growing cannabis in his private residence. Soon after cultivating cannabis for his own private use, Kevin had an unpleasant encounter with local law enforcement that left him in a state of mistrust for the system. This occurrence motivated him to become a medical cannabis activist, fearlessly fighting for the rights of patients throughout San Francisco and California.

Since 2004, Kevin has emerged as an industrious and tireless advocate for medical cannabis patients, as well as the operators and members of medical cannabis collectives.

It is Kevin's strong belief that when properly permitted, regulated and operated, medical cannabis dispensaries can be a positive part of a community. They generate dozens of new jobs for local residents and create business opportunities for nearby shops and neighborhood cafes.

All of Kevin's experiences have greatly contributed to the success of The Green Cross over the years, and played an important role in the organization's underlying mission to put patients at the forefront of everything it does.

**Civic Activities:**

In 2005 and 2006, Kevin Reed partnered with other medical cannabis dispensary owners and patient-advocates to help advocate for the best possible cannabis legislation for the City of San Francisco.

Kevin later served on the Medical Cannabis Task Force in San Francisco, formed by Supervisor Campos' office, continuing his fight for affordable access to medical cannabis for patients throughout the Bay Area, meanwhile lobbying for better local legislation with the San Francisco Board of Supervisors.

Kevin is a contributing member of many local organizations dedicated to medical cannabis patient advocacy across the state and country, including the National Cannabis Industry Association, Emerald Growers Association, California Cannabis Industry Association, Drug Policy Alliance, Americans for Safe Access, Marijuana Policy Project, California NORML, Reform CA and American Herbal Products Association.

Kevin has taken the initiative to join various local neighborhood associations like the Excelsior District Improvement Association, Outer Mission Merchants & Residents Association and Noy Street Neighborhood Watch to help better the district The Green Cross calls home.

Kevin takes his role in the community very seriously, and after hearing about the state of disrepair Golden Gate park was left in after unofficial 4/20 festivities on Hippy Hill, he found a way to alleviate the costs and burden on the City of San Francisco. By collaborating with San Francisco Rec & Parks Department, volunteers and staff of The Green Cross made a huge impact in the cleanup efforts over the past two years. Kevin worked with Supervisor Breed and Mar to minimize the negative effects on the park and surrounding community. In addition, Kevin made a sizeable donation of \$5,000 to Rec & Parks to help fund their efforts.

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

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Date: 9/11/2015 Applicant's Signature: (required) Kevin Reed

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# KEVIN REED

██████ 1<sup>th</sup> Street, ██████  
San Francisco, CA 94103  
415. ██████

[KevinReed@TheGreenCross.org](mailto:KevinReed@TheGreenCross.org)

## **The Green Cross, San Francisco, CA** **Founder & President**

**July 2004 – Present**

- Secured building permit to open The Green Cross as a Medical Cannabis Dispensary before the City of San Francisco established regulatory structure for MCDs.
- First MCD to receive permit once regulations adopted.
- Hire and manage staff, and maintain relationships with member-cultivators.
- Employ best practices from small businesses and non-profit cooperatives in managing The Green Cross
- Provide personal and organizational support to various patient advocacy and other community organizations in San Francisco

## **Gemmill Design, San Francisco, CA** **Office Manager**

**Jan 2003 – July 2004**

- Responsible for creation renegotiation and maintenance of vendor relationships.
- Managed inventory and purchased all office supplies.
- Handled all accounts receivable, payable, reimbursable and billing.
- Facilitated office move and client/vendor notification process.
- Supervised records and reproduction departments.

## **Travel Nurse International, San Francisco, CA** **Assistant Placement Director**

**Dec 2001 – Jan 2003**

- Supervised office personnel and trained all newly hired hospital coordinators.
- Assigned nurses to various acute care hospital travel assignments and managed any/all labor disputes.
- Ensured excellent relationships with clients and hospitals.
- Projected hospital staffing needs.
- Managed all internal office issues, facilitated weekly meetings, and maintained/updated all nurses' files.
- Assisted HR with various tasks associated with hiring nurses by posting openings, coordinating initial screenings and checking references.

## **Map Mobile Comm. Inc., San Francisco, CA** **Store Manager**

**Jan 1999 – Nov 2001**

- Trained and supervised all new store managers and other employees meanwhile ensuring exceptional customer service by maintaining highest store sales in Northern California region.
- Handled all cash transactions, including sales, bank deposits and withdrawals.
- Prepared budget control reports for the district manager.
- Opened new client accounts and handled inventory control.

## **Hollywood Entertainment Corp., San Francisco, CA** **District Training Manager**

**Feb 1997 – Jan 1999**

- Trained newly hired store managers and customer service representatives in accordance with company standards.
- Supervised over 200 employees, responsible for all cash deposits and auditing stores.
- Opened new client accounts and inventory control.

## **Education: University of South Alabama, Mobile Alabama**

**June 1993**

- Associates Degree in Business Administration.

**Skills:** Small business and financial management, computer knowledge, implementation of sound business practices, excellent communication skills, and ability to direct and manage 80+ employees.



## Bio on Kevin Reed: Founder & President of The Green Cross

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All of Kevin's experiences have greatly contributed to the success of The Green Cross over the years, and played an important role in our organization's underlying mission to put patients at the forefront of everything we do.



## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** David Goldman <dgoldman@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 17, 2015 5:39 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Letter of Support for Kevin Reed for the Marijuana Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors:

I am writing to you today to give my strong support for the appointment of Kevin Reed to the San Francisco Marijuana Legalization Task Force. I have known Mr. Reed for over eight years. As the president of one of San Francisco's premier medical cannabis dispensaries, he has been a tireless crusader for the rights of medical cannabis patients, including the ability to access reasonably priced medical cannabis. His exemplar dispensary, The Green Cross, sells high quality cannabis at very competitive prices. His staff is professional, hard-working, and very helpful for patients seeking selection advice.

Mr. Reed has supported cannabis law reform throughout the time I have known him. We served together for five years on the leadership team of the San Francisco chapter of Americans for Safe access, a national medical cannabis advocacy organization. During that time he was a major financial supporter of the chapter's work. In addition, in 2010 - 2011 we both served on San Francisco's Medical Cannabis Task Force. He showed himself to be a thoughtful consensus-builder and problem-solver, working well with members with widely differing opinions.

Since 2008, he and The Green Cross have held an annual fundraiser for several cannabis law reform organizations, including CA-NORML (California chapter of the National Organization for Reform of Marijuana Laws), MPP (Marijuana Policy Project), and DPA (Drug Policy Alliance).

In addition, Mr. Reed and The Green Cross have donated substantial sums of money to many local organizations, including the Larkin Street Youth Center and The Arc.

There are few medical cannabis activists who have done more to support safe and responsible access to cannabis than Kevin Reed. I strongly support his appointment to the task force.

Sincerely,

David Goldman  
246 Sanchez Street  
Apt. B  
San Francisco, CA 94114  
dgoldman@yahoo.com  
m: 415-728-7631

## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** robert@collectivewellness.org on behalf of Robert Martin <robert@cwanalytical.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 18, 2015 12:09 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** Emily R  
**Subject:** Kevin Reed- Letter of Support

Dear Alisa,

This is an email in support of Kevin Reed to be considered for a position on your upcoming Cannabis Legalization Task Force. I have known Kevin for over five years and find him an upstanding member of our Cannabis community mainly focused on helping patients. His Green Cross Dispensary is a model for San Francisco to use for quality standards and testing, a fact I can verify personally. In fact, Green Cross has maintained a robust QA program of testing, prior to any legislative mandate, for these past five years. An activity not seen in his competitors.

Kevin's community outreach helps countless patients and is culminated every year with the Patients Choice Awards, an event primarily created and sponsored by Kevin and his team. The Patient Choice is San Francisco's only locally supported Cannabis annual event put on for the patient.

I recommend Kevin unconditionally for a place on your committee. If I have failed to offer enough or there are questions remaining about my support for Kevin, please do not hesitate to call the number below. I am

yours very truly,

Robert

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Robert W. Martin, Ph. D.  
Co-founder and Chief Operating Officer  
CWAL, Inc  
Oakland and San Francisco California  
925-719-0463

*"An experiment is a question which science poses to Nature, and a measurement is the recording of Nature's answer." Max Planck 1933*

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**From:** Terrie Frye <grannygear1@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 20, 2015 12:00 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I can think of no one more qualified to sit on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force than Kevin Reed of The Green Cross.

Kevin has been involved in the medical cannabis industry for over 20 years, and will bring with him to this board a wealth of knowledge, as well as compassion.

Green Cross is a premier medical cannabis dispensary and delivery service, with very professional employees, which is what Kevin demands. And the prices at Green Cross are very affordable for patients. I am always impressed with the quality of the merchandise, as well as the employees, both in the dispensary as well as the delivery personnel. They all love working for Kevin, who treats them very well.

You could not find a better qualified candidate for this task force than Kevin Reed of Green Cross.

Best,  
Terrie Frye  
641 O'Farrell St. #712  
San Francisco, CA 94109  
415-885-2541

Due to recent budget cuts, the light at the end of the tunnel has been turned off.

**Tariq Alazraie**

Dear San Francisco Rules Committee,

The founder of Green Cross, Kevin Reed made history starting the first permitted medical cannabis delivery service in San Francisco – and indeed, perhaps the entire United States. I've had the pleasure of knowing Kevin for over ten years, having both owned and operated Article 33 compliant dispensaries.

Kevin has set exemplary standards in operating the Green Cross - with professional staff, quality medicine and a genuine drive to continuously improve the ways in which services and products are provided for patients.

I encourage the Rules Committee to seat Kevin Reed on the Cannabis Legalization Task Force,

Thank you and hope this finds you well,

Best,

Tariq Alazraie  
*TariqA@gmail.com*

## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Cristina Arantes <info@kikastreats.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 23, 2015 4:27 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)

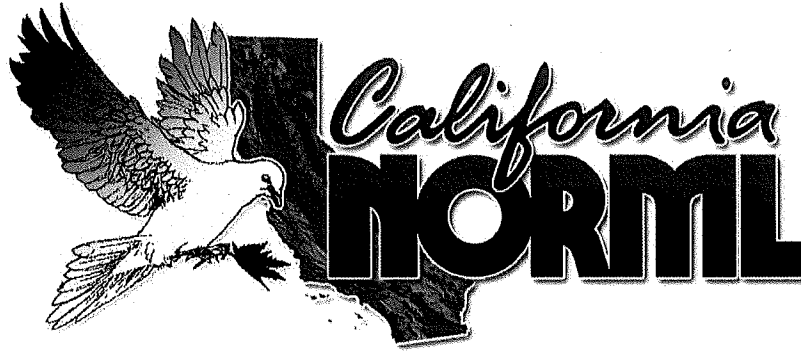
Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

This is a letter in support of Kevin Reed's appointment to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. Kevin has always been a fierce leader and advocate in the industry, putting patients at the forefront of everything he does, all the while implementing and following local regulations as a longtime Medical Cannabis Dispensary owner, The Green Cross.

The Green Cross was the first permitted dispensary in San Francisco, in an attempt to legitimize the industry, and Kevin's commitment to implementing and following local regulations is what sets him apart from other MCD operators.

As a longtime patient and member of The Green Cross, I can think of no one better suited to represent the medical cannabis community than Kevin. I highly encourage you to consider his application to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force so others can benefit from his vast knowledge and experience.

Yours sincerely,  
Cristina Arantes



*California Chapter of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws*  
2261 Market St. #278A, San Francisco CA 94114 - [www.canorml.org](http://www.canorml.org) - (415) 563-5858 / (510) 540-1066

Sep 24, 2015

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

To the Board of Supervisors:

Cal NORML strongly recommends Kevin Reed, the founding director of the Green Cross dispensary, for appointment to a seat on the S.F. Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

Kevin is one of the most experienced and knowledgeable medical cannabis operators in the city. I have known him since 2005, when the Green Cross became the first facility to be licensed under San Francisco's dispensary ordinance. Kevin made it the very first licensed cannabis delivery service anywhere in the world, and it acquired a reputation for safe and efficient service.

Kevin is scrupulous about the quality and safety of the products his facility provides. The staff is well trained and educated in the responsible medical use of cannabis. The prices at Green Cross are among the most reasonable in the city.

The Green Cross has an exemplary record of support for the medical cannabis community. They have generously supported non-profit patient advocacy groups (including ourselves) and other community organizations.

Kevin Reed exemplifies the kind of experience, commitment, and vision that are needed as San Francisco prepares for legalization. We strongly endorse his appointment to the commission.

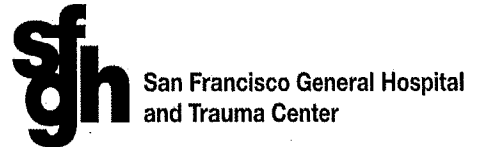
Sincerely,

Dale Gieringer, Ph.D.  
Director, California NORML  
2261 Market St. #278A  
San Francisco, CA 94114

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995 Potrero Avenue  
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September 23, 2015

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall  
San Francisco, CA

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

I am writing in support of Kevin Reed's application for a position on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. Having worked in medical cannabis research for nearly twenty years, I first met Kevin when he entered the industry in 2004. Since then, Kevin has been a wonderful and reliable source of information for me and my patients. He is extremely knowledgeable and is always very responsive to any requests made.

Over the years, we have also spoken on panels together addressing doctoral candidates on the benefits of medical cannabis treatments. His eagerness to help patients throughout San Francisco is apparent. It has been a pleasure to have great working rapport and friendship with Kevin during the past decade.

In my opinion, Kevin Reed would be an extremely valuable addition to the Task Force and I encourage you to consider his appointment. He has my most enthusiastic support.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely yours,

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Donald I. Abrams, MD  
Chief, Hematology-Oncology  
San Francisco General Hospital  
Professor of Clinical Medicine  
University of California San Francisco



## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Holli Bert <holli@thegreencross.org>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 25, 2015 11:22 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Letter of Support for Kevin Reed

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing to support Kevin Reed's application for a seat on the California State Legalization Task Force. Having worked with Kevin for the past 3 years, I have every confidence he would be an invaluable asset to the task force, bringing a great deal of knowledge, experience and a fresh perspective on the future of the medical cannabis.

Through The Green Cross, Kevin has ensured San Francisco and California patients have a safe, professional and affordable place to access medicine. Kevin always goes above and beyond to not only serve but also educate patients. As a matter of fact, he will even go against the grain by taking a less popular stance when he knows it will truly benefit patients and the industry as a whole. Kevin's candid, caring and pragmatic approach to these matters undoubtedly sets him apart from other leaders in the medical cannabis community.

Kevin has worked hard to ensure The Green Cross takes its role as a nonprofit organization with the utmost sincerity. He attends neighborhood meetings, coordinates and contributes to neighborhood/park cleanup efforts, and donates to many patient advocacy organizations and charities. In addition, The Green Cross goes the extra mile by cleaning up and adopting the blocks near our storefront and delivery locations, and beautifying the surrounding area to make it a more welcoming place for neighbors and businesses alike.

The California State Legalization Task Force needs a MCD operator, like Kevin, who understands the community he serves and will fight on behalf of all patients. In my opinion, the task force would be incomplete without Kevin's inclusion. I truly hope you will strongly consider appointing Kevin Reed to the task force as I can think of no one better qualified to represent California medical cannabis patients.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Holli Bert

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## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Susan Schindler <susan.schindler@me.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 25, 2015 12:22 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** Kevin Reed  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legalization Task Force Recommendation

Supervisors ~

I am emailing you to recommend the nomination of Kevin Reed, Green Cross Dispensary, to sit on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

As one of the earliest dispensary owners in San Francisco, Mr. Reed is an appropriate choice, based on his track record of experience and success. This alone makes him a viable stakeholder candidate with an understanding of the industry and a good overview of how things work, and how to make them better. Green Cross is a showcase, beautifully designed, efficiently run, and providing professionally dressed, knowledgeable, and friendly staff.

More importantly, I have known Mr. Reed for years, and he is honest, super smart, unassuming, and possesses the ability to be observant and impartial, all good qualities for a political position. He also has a rather wry sense of humor, which, no doubt, might be appreciated after hours of meetings.

He has shown himself to be consistently community conscious and responsible, whether it be by organizing his patients into an effective volunteer army to clean up after the 420 celebrations in Golden Gate Park, or assisting the girls in the neighborhood around Green Cross to sell their Girl Scout Cookies, allowing them to set up their table outside the dispensary, thus providing a built-in traffic count probably better than Safeway.

As a cancer survivor and cannabis patient, I have seen his genuine concern for the health and well being of his patients. The shelves of Green Cross reflect an interest and willingness to provide patients with a wide panoply of cannabis flowers as well as in-house made edibles, in strains dominant in both CBD in addition to THC.

I believe he would be a productive, knowledgeable, and open minded addition to the Task Force.

Should you have further questions, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you for your time and interest.

Susan Schindler  
415 613-7177

## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Michael Allaire <mallaire@westcoastms.net>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 28, 2015 6:07 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** KevinReed@TheGreenCross.org  
**Subject:** Support Letter for Kevin Reed

Dear Ms. Somera,

I am taking this opportunity to write to you in support of Kevin Reed, founder and president of The Green Cross, regarding his application for a seat on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

I have been involved formally in the legal medical cannabis industry for over 8 years, and am the founder and president of West Coast Members Services, Inc., a legal, incorporated, mutual benefit, multi-service medical cannabis collective. In my years in the cannabis industry I have had occasion to interact with many dispensaries, growers, and collectives. My experience with Kevin, and his exceptional staff at Green Cross is that they rank as one of the most professional, diligent, knowledgeable, and responsible of any with whom I have interacted. A very telling axiom applies here—"systems follow the leader"—in the case of Green Cross it is clear, on a daily basis, that the excellence of the organization is directly related to the quality, care, and leadership that Mr Reed brings to his organization and to the industry at large.

Kevin has over 10 years of experience operating one of the first, and arguably one of the best dispensaries in the Bay Area. In addition to his extensive knowledge and experience running an exemplary legal medical cannabis dispensary/collective, he has consistently forged new ground in providing support to the community, above and beyond convenient gestures. The neighborhood surrounding The Green Cross is enhanced by the extensive security presence of Green Cross staff; this in addition to the immaculate care they provide to parking and neighborhood cleanliness. Not just the block upon which they are located, but literally for several blocks in all directions. Another stand-out example of Kevin's commitment to not only the legitimate medical cannabis industry but also to the community in which his organization exists and impacts is the extra effort his organization puts in before, during, and after the annual "420" celebration in Golden Gate Park—Green Cross sends a team of staff to the event to help keep order, and to stay after the event and spend hours volunteering clean-up services to return the park to a clean and orderly condition.

Kevin is clearly someone who sees and actively invests in a long term, responsible, vision and course of action for this burgeoning industry. I can think of no better qualities and character to be represented on the Cannabis Legalization Task Force. As someone who shares a similar vision, and who has a deep commitment to the appropriate development of a viable, regulated cannabis industry in California, I whole heartedly support Kevin Reed to a seat on this task force.

My Sincere Regards,

Michael Allaire  
Founder & President  
West Coast Members Services, Inc.- A Multi-Service Medical Cannabis Collective Quality - Integrity - Collaboration  
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**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Christopher <christophermnelson1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, September 26, 2015 8:18 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** kevinreed@thegreencross.org  
**Subject:** California Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

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

September 24, 2015

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I write to convey my support for Kevin Reed's application to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. I have known Kevin and been familiar with his organization for 10+ years, and I consider him to be among the most upstanding businessmen I've ever met or had the privilege to conduct business with.

I currently live in the Excelsior District, where The Green Cross storefront is located, and consider TGC an asset to the neighborhood. Kevin provides a wonderful service to qualified medical cannabis patients who require safe access to medicine close to where they live and work. Of all the dispensaries currently operating in San Francisco, I consider The Green Cross to be in a class of its own.

With this in mind, please consider appointing Kevin Reed to the task force. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Chris Nelson

Sent from my iPhone

**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Luke Thomas <luke.a.thomas@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 27, 2015 9:02 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Letter of support, Kevin Reed, Cannabis State Legalization Task Force  
**Attachments:** BOS\_Luke Thomas\_CSLTF\_Kevin\_Reed.docx

Hi Alisa,

Please find attached my letter of support and recommendation of Kevin Reed of the Green Cross medical marijuana dispensary to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

Best,

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Luke Thomas  
Publisher & Editor  
FogCityJournal.com  
Email: [editor@fogcityjournal.com](mailto:editor@fogcityjournal.com)

## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Jeffrey Rosen <jdr@tailoredbenefits.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 28, 2015 4:39 PM  
**To:** Kevin Reed  
**Cc:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Kevin Reed, Green Cross - Support for CSL Task Force

Dear Board of Supervisors,

As a small business owner of an employee benefit and consultation firm in San Francisco and a resident of San Francisco for over thirty (30) years, I know a thing or two about providing professional and personalized service as well as what is good for this City. Professional and Personalized service are the hallmark of my company and how I run my business. These values are the foundation to the success of any organization, which is why I to write to enthusiastically support Kevin Reed's application for a seat on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. Further, I have known Kevin and worked the with Green Cross for over a decade, during which time he has always been the consummate professional.

It was recently called to my attention that The Green Cross was awarded an A+ rating from the Golden Gate Better Business Bureau, which I think underscores their outstanding record of compliance and commitment to operational standards that incorporate accountability and integrity. I implore you to enable Kevin and The Green Cross' exemplary record and commitment to providing members with safe access to medical cannabis by dedicated professionals, be an indication of what Kevin would bring to the table on the task force.

I hope you will strongly consider Kevin Reed's appointment to the task force. Thank you for your time and consideration in this matter. Please feel free to reach out and contact me at anytime should you require more persuading.

All the best,

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**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Mario Barajas <barajasmario415@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 29, 2015 12:02 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Marijuana Task Force

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors:

I am writing in strong support of Kevin Reed's application for a position in the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

I have had the pleasure of knowing Kevin for nearly a year. He has shown in several ways that he has the ability, desire and leadership skills to be in the new Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. Through Kevin, I have accumulated a massive amount of knowledge in the Medical Marijuana industry. He has kept his patients and myself at the forefront of California regulations. His outstanding contributions to the community have provided a safe environment for neighbors, patients and employees. Not only is he an active participant in his community, but he has also set the standard of what a professional medical dispensary should be. He is constantly improving customer service and operational activities to make sure patients are well taken care of.

His strong dedication makes him an ideal candidate. I encourage you to consider his application for the new Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. Kevin's professionalism, knowledge and commitment would be of great benefit moving forward. I have complete trust in Kevin Reed on both personal and professional matters, and have no doubt that you can similarly trust him to be an exceptionally engaging, friendly, considerate, responsible, trustworthy and valuable member of your board.

Please feel free to contact me if you would like to discuss my comments further. I can be reached directly at [barajasmario415@gmail.com](mailto:barajasmario415@gmail.com)

Thank You,

Mario Barajas



October 5, 2015

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

This letter is in support of Kevin Reed's application for a seat on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

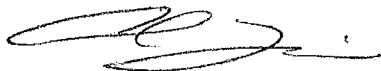
As the City & County of San Francisco's assigned administrative assistant to the 2010-2012 Medical Cannabis Task Force, formed by Supervisor Campos, I worked closely with Kevin during this time. While on the task force, Kevin brought a great deal of knowledge and experience, and I have no doubt he would be great addition to the newly formed Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. He brought calm and reasoning to the task force meetings, participated in subcommittees that were formed, and remained focused on the mission of the task force.

In addition, Kevin has been extremely supportive and active in the San Francisco community, working to create a positive image of medical cannabis dispensaries. He has supported Girl Scout fundraising efforts, provided and lead clean-up efforts at community events, and improved community relationships through his contributions to the dispensary's surrounding neighborhood.

I hope you will strongly consider his appointment.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carol Lei', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Carol Lei

**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Holli Bert <holli@thegreencross.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 05, 2015 9:37 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** Kevin Reed  
**Subject:** Fwd: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force Letter of Support

From: **Barbara Fugate** <mousecollector@msn.com>  
Date: Fri, Oct 2, 2015 at 6:50 PM  
Subject: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force Letter of Support  
To: "Staff@TheGreenCross.org" <staff@thegreencross.org>, "holli@thegreencross.org" <holli@thegreencross.org>

10/2/2015

To Whom It May Concern,

I would like to recommend Mr. Kevin Reed, President and founder of Green Cross medical cannabis dispensary located at 4218 Mission St. for a seat on the Marijuana Legalization Task Force.

I do not know Mr. Kevin personally, however, I know how he runs his business and the types of people he employees. Everything is handled efficiently from stocking the shelves, to greeting clients at the door, to the knowledge of the employees. The Green Cross community liaison is always responsive to the neighborhoods that surround Green Cross. In short, this MCD is well run and I would like to see this type of expertise on the Task Force.

Sincerely,  
Barbara Fugate  
MCD Compliance Committee Chair  
Cayuga Improvement Association

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## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Holli Bert <holli@thegreencross.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 05, 2015 9:40 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** Kevin Reed  
**Subject:** Fwd: [STAFF] Cannabis State Legalization Task Force Letter of Support

From: 'Red Bornand'  
Date: Sun, Oct 4, 2015 at 1:58 AM  
Subject: [STAFF] Cannabis State Legalization Task Force Letter of Support  
To: "Staff@TheGreenCross.org" <Staff@thegreencross.org>

October 4, 2015

To Whom It May Concern,

As a Green Cross Member who has been with the Green Cross Cannabis Dispensary since its establishment almost a decade ago, I am very pleased to write a letter stating my support of Kevin Reed for a position on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. Over the years, I have witnessed his untiring commitment to assuring safe, consistent, and affordable cannabis and cannabis products to patients first hand. The time and attention Kevin has invested in the development of The Green Cross Delivery Service and Green Cross Storefront goes well beyond the parameters of supply and demand. This can easily be exemplified by the staff he has hired, the vehicles for which they arrive in and even in the political field where I have personally encountered Kevin's advocacy efforts in the corridors and offices at City Hall.

Truly, from the ground up Kevin has set a professional precedent which can be easily noted beginning with the website and menu. The information about each product is finely detailed, thorough and accurate. When placing an order over the phone a feeling of confidence is immediately fostered, the staff is kind, polite and knowledgeable about most strains and if there has ever been a doubt they have even gone the extra step to ask another staff member for deeper insight. When the delivery driver arrives at the door, they are clean cut, nicely dressed, friendly and compassionate. In the many years I have used this service, there have been very few negative encounters with individuals- most of the time it has simply been a matter of miscommunication or my not feeling well and being a bit grumpy, not matter the circumstances the misunderstanding has easily cleared up.

Kevin clearly had a vision which has absolutely lent to the legitimization of the cannabis retail business, while also impressing the necessity for delivery services to patients. These practices have not attempted to dictate a way of thinking or to convince the public how to regard medical cannabis, instead they have lead by example. The inarguable benefits that are a result of patients having the opportunity to order their medicine at home, speak for themselves. Without this service there are many times I would remain at home, isolated and without much to ease my complicated ailments. Instead, a delivery can completely change my abilities, I feel a bit better and am usually a lot more willing to face whatever efforts are required to step out into the world and live a more fulfilling life.

These were not attitudes nor procedures already in place, but a regard, approach, and practice that came to be as a result of Kevin's vision. He has tirelessly offered patients hope, relief and renewed perspective with a commitment to consistent quality at affordable

prices. When certain methods haven't offered the success desired there has been willingness to assess the situation and to find a new approach instead of simply casting the whole matter aside. These are the primary leaders that are necessary for the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force; those that do not tell of their strength with bolstered words, but whom have the ability to demonstrate a clear, unarguable ability with each mindfully, measured step. Kevin Reed without question is a mandatory choice for inclusion in this Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

Sincerely,

Sheree "Red" Bornan

October 6, 2015

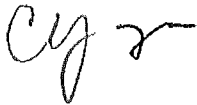
Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

This letter is in support of Kevin Reed's application for a seat on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. I have been a patient-member of The Green Cross for many years. Since opening the storefront, Kevin and The Green Cross has created and maintained a safe and welcoming environment for neighbors and surrounding community. Kevin has always put patients at the forefront of everything he does. Kevin continues to be a remarkable leader and advocate for the industry.

Kevin would bring a great wealth of experience and knowledge to the Task Force. He would be an extremely valuable addition. I highly encourage you to consider his appointment.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Christian Yanga

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October 8, 2015

Board of Supervisors  
City and County of San Francisco  
1 Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4630

Re: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Dear Board of Supervisors:

I write in support of Kevin Reed's application for a seat on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force.

I have known Mr. Reed for about a decade in his position as President of The Green Cross and when we both sat on the Medical Cannabis Task Force from 2010 – fall 2011. Mr. Reed would bring to the Task Force a strong background in current medical cannabis rules and regulations, extensive experience in running a compliant MCD, and a calm and composed participant. I urge you to support his application.

Thank you for your attention to, and consideration of, the important process of establishing this Task Force.

Very truly yours,

/s/  
Patrick D. Goggin

## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Clint Werner <cwerner415@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 08, 2015 10:45 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors

I would like to strongly suggest that Kevin Reed be considered to become a member of the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. Mr. Reed's Green Cross dispensary is a model of how cannabis distribution can be a safe, helpful and responsible enterprise. He has implemented policies that minimize negative impacts for his business' neighbors while offering top service to those who benefit from cannabis use. Too many of us recall the bad old days where cancer, AIDS and pain patients had to seek street dealers for relief. Mr. Reed has been at the forefront of responsible cannabis distribution and insures that his employees are educated so as to best help clients. I wrote the book MARIJUANA GATEWAY TO HEALTH and Mr. Reed's manager for the Green Cross showed me her copy, chock full of sticky notes and highlighted passages. This told me that they take the science regarding proper use of cannabis products very seriously.

I think Mr. Reed has a sophisticated understanding of the necessity of balancing a commercial enterprise's pursuits with community and social responsibility and would be a valuable resource for any task force dealing with cannabis policy and community concerns.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely

Clint Werner

author MARIJUANA GATEWAY TO HEALTH: HOW CANNABIS PROTECTS US FROM CANCER AND ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE

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October 8, 2015

San Francisco Supervisors  
Board of Supervisors Offices

**Sent via EMail**

c/o Alisa Somera [Alisa.Somera@SFGov.org](mailto:Alisa.Somera@SFGov.org)

Re: Recommendation & Letter of Support for Kevin Reed's appointment to the Cannabis State  
Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors and Ms. Somera –

I write to recommend Kevin Reed of The Green Cross for a seat on the newly-formed Cannabis State  
Legalization Task Force.

**Quick introduction.** Just as background context, I am a 59 year old man with an MBA, self-employed as a financial management expert. I am grateful that I was afforded the chance to spend my career working with and in support of social and economic justice community-based nonprofit organizations. I am an extraordinarily consistent voter throughout my life (district 11, precinct 1102 although I write to ALL of you as a San Franciscan not just Supervisor Avalos). I have been a San Franciscan for just shy of 20 years on the dot.

**How I've known Kevin and his work.** I met Kevin in 2004 or so when his networking to find information about the legal parameters around CA medical cannabis dispensaries as approved by ballot measure and the associated tax filings. I have kept in close contact with Kevin and admired his surprisingly formal sense of decorum and manners and his trailblazing work on behalf of medical cannabis access ever since I became aware of all of this.

**Specific items in support.** Beyond Kevin's wealth of experience and knowledge about the filed, I have several specific "kudos" to describe about how Kevin has done his work that speak to his overall approach, and each item as well as in aggregate, demonstrate Kevin's particular preparation and aptitude for the important work of the Task Force.

- From the inception of **this often fraught emergent area of commerce, Kevin has cooperated in the development of new regulatory frameworks throughout**, whether the matter was zoning and locating dispensaries, regulating content standards, or licensing. By instinct, I'd hazard a guess that he's more of a libertarian, but rather than holding back, he engaged and did his best to see good laws and regulations and procedures be developed and adopted. Demonstrates willingness to "play nice" and be helpful not disruptive or resistant even when the formalization is not entirely in his own narrow self interest.
- Some years ago, as I was diagnosed with Type II diabetes, I talked with Kevin about fiber as the best answer to offsetting the glycemic index in many foods (other choices are fats and proteins; hydration always helps). I was not sure if he would know what to do with the idea or have time and bandwidth, but the man wastes no time! When I saw him a short 3 or 4 weeks later he'd already **developed one "edible" aimed at a lower glycemic index** by relying heavily on seeds and nuts (all three of fiber



protein & fat) and a sweetener which was asserting itself as somewhat less glycemic. *It was, to my eyes, a stunning demonstration of his responsiveness and social responsibility.* Of course he's no fool; it was also a new niche.

- Kevin has risked flak from various allies (“no permanent friends / no permanent enemies) and been on the leading edge of **demanding--and inspecting for--sustainability practices and purity testing of crops** grown by co-op members. *Yet another nuts and bolts demonstration of social responsibility, and of developing and testing what is practical by way of standards setting in these areas.*
- “Back home” Kevin **owned a restaurant**. He is thus **familiar with food handling requirements** and grasps innately why health departments care about such things well beyond the hygienic standards of most home kitchens. *This is not so much germane to the specific work of the Task Force as much as a demonstration that he works for the greater good of all and understands the context of assorted rules, even if he grumbles on a theoretical basis he delivers.*
- When there arose **concerns that the gorgeous sweet edibles** just looked too darned tempting and **could be eaten by children** by mistake thereby inappropriately medicating them, Kevin once again sprang into fast action and **completely re-designed his packaging** using very adult muted colors that still looked sharp and distinctive. He did this without resisting, **even though the opaque packaging increased his cost and the overall work required** to monitor freshness and check to ensure no mold formation since no visuals available. *Another example of social responsibility in practice.*
- I was part of a small group of supporters of The Green Cross’ newish storefront in the **Excelsior** who attended a **meeting of the neighborhood association along with Kevin**--complete with his usual Southern manners and pleasingly surprising insistence on a certain type of propriety required of all Green Cross representatives. This meeting was when the new location was getting final approval, and the neighborhood group was talking through the usual San Francisco mix of genuine concerns and generic NIMBYism. He did not flinch, listened carefully, and much as a victorious Presidential candidate assures the “other side” that s/he is a President of all of us, Kevin assured the neighbors that he was hearing them, and that he and his staff would act on some new items. He also repeated his assurance—as did many of us—of how much safer a block around a Green Cross location is, since he fields his own security staff and 24/7 video monitoring from multiple lenses. I attended this meeting since I live across Mission Street and Alemany in the Mission Terrace neighborhood quite close by The Green Cross storefront. I’ve also kept an eye on the location as I drive by very frequently, and there is a distinct increase in foot traffic and overall people presence, which is always the ultimate urban security system. *Demonstrates deep awareness of siting practicalities in one of the most difficult communities in the country with a strong emphasis on neighborhood power.*

If I can provide any other information or answer any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

Very truly yours,



Lester W. “Terry” Miller

October 8, 2015

Alisa Somera  
Assistant Clerk  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
City Hall, Room 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102-4689

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

For nearly twenty years, Kevin Reed has served the San Francisco Medical Cannabis Community as a dispensary owner and industry innovator. His professional commitment on the part of his medical dispensary, The Green Cross, has extended to supporting charitable causes throughout San Francisco, including the San Francisco Chapter of Americans for Safe Access (ASA SF), the California Cannabis Industry Association and California NORML, as well as being a member of the Better Business Bureau. Kevin helped give ASA SF and other worthy causes the financial stability to ensure these organizations continue to monitor, implement, and improve medical cannabis laws in California through protection and expansion of patients' rights, using education, litigation, legislation, grassroots advocacy, and direct support of medical cannabis patients.

It's no wonder The Green Cross has been a multiple-time winner of industry awards including being named the #1 dispensary in San Francisco. The club's members are thrilled by the "patient's first" philosophy Kevin created. His work with state and local government agencies will prove extremely helpful as California strives to create the best practices for the state legalization of cannabis.

As a patient, friend and colleague, I have known Kevin for over ten years and have found him to be a man of his word who displays great character and integrity.

I would, therefore, like to thank the Board in advance for your support of Kevin Reed's appointment to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. As a longtime member of the cannabis movement in California, it is a major part of Kevin's life work and energy to provide professional excellence to support and represent the medical cannabis community. The knowledge and experience Kevin has to share will be a worthy asset to the task force.

Sincerely,  
Jamilah Antwan  
San Francisco, CA

## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Kevin Reed <[kevinreed@thegreencross.org](mailto:kevinreed@thegreencross.org)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 08, 2015 10:55 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Requesting Your Support

From: **Clint Werner** <[cwerner415@gmail.com](mailto:cwerner415@gmail.com)>  
Date: Thu, Oct 8, 2015 at 10:45 AM  
Subject: Re: Requesting Your Support  
To: Kevin Reed <[kevinreed@thegreencross.org](mailto:kevinreed@thegreencross.org)>

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Sincerely,

Clint Werner

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**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** gustavo perez <gustavo.prz1@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 08, 2015 11:32 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** kevinreed@thegreencross.org  
**Subject:** Task Force Letter of Support for Kevin Reed

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing this letter in support of Kevin Reed's application for the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. I have worked for Kevin Reed at The Green Cross for three years as a part of the security team. His leadership and professionalism make him a great candidate for the task force. Putting patients first and providing them with the best service and education is what Kevin truly thrives for.

Working for Kevin Reed has been the best experience possible. He has created a great working environment, making an enjoyable place to be everyday. Kevin has created many jobs and opportunities in learning about the medical cannabis industry. Not only does he care about the patients and his employees, he goes out of his way to ensure neighbors and the community are satisfied with the efforts he makes.

With almost twenty years of experience in the industry, Kevin's knowledge and leadership will definitely benefit the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. I hope you will strongly consider his application.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,  
Gustavo Perez

**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** luz sanchez <juggy1128@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 08, 2015 3:08 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** kevinreed@thegreencross.org  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legislation Task Force Letter Of Support For Kevin Reed

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

This letter is in support of Kevin Reed's application for a seat on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. As an employee of his for over two years I've seen first hand the outstanding professionalism Mr. Reed has to offer this industry. The care and respect he has for medical cannabis shines through in all of his work. He provides a safe and welcoming environment for patients while upholding the law to the letter. He has by far set the bar for all medical cannabis dispensaries and what they should aspire to be like.

As a native San Franciscan, I've seen a formerly weary neighborhood become a clean and safe environment for patients and neighbors alike. I believe Mr. Reed is an excellent candidate for this position because of his profound respect for medical cannabis, and his great understanding of the patients, laws and more importantly the medicinal benefits surrounding it. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,  
Lucero Sanchez

**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Celso Barrientos <celso.21cb@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 08, 2015 7:10 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Task Force Letter of Support for Kevin Reed

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I would like to give my support for Kevin Reed's appointment to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. I have been employed by Kevin for approximately a year and a half now. During this time, I have learned so much about the benefits of medical cannabis through Kevin's knowledge and advice. I cannot think of a better person to fill this position. He has built an empire of loyal patients, providers and caregivers through his vision of The Green Cross. His enforcement of vital safety procedures and education is paramount. I believe that through his experience and positivity he has and will continue to make a huge impact on the medical cannabis industry, especially as California looks forward to legalization in 2016.

Thank you for your time and consideration. If any questions feel free to contact me directly.

Best regards,  
Celso Barrientos

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

October 12, 2015

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

My name is Leigh Ramirez and I am writing to support Kevin Reed's application for a seat on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. My sisters and I run a family-owned and operated restaurant on 11<sup>th</sup> Street directly across from Mr. Reed's medical cannabis delivery service, known as The Green Cross. Many years ago, when Kevin was first seeking to permit his operation, I opposed the application. Like many individuals unfamiliar with Kevin or medical marijuana dispensaries, I was deeply concerned about how The Green Cross might affect my customers and the potential crime activity that might accompany such an establishment. Simply put, I didn't want another medical cannabis dispensary South of market, especially not across from my family establishment.

Despite my initial objections, Kevin was granted the permit. In the 10+ years he's been in operation, I have come to know Kevin and many of his employees. I am writing today to urge you to support his application for the task force.

As a neighboring business, I can confirm that Kevin runs a professional organization staffed by well-dressed and polite employees, who can be seen sweeping sidewalks, clearing trash and visiting neighbors. Moreover, Kevin frequently patronizes local establishments because he truly cares about supporting neighborhood businesses and creating relationships that ensure the safety and success of the community in which he operates.

I am not a medical marijuana patient, however, with many dispensaries located in the surrounding neighborhood, I wish they all operated as conscientiously and professionally as The Green Cross. Kevin Reed is a generous and sincere operator committed to providing those with a specific need for medical cannabis access in a safe and legal environment. I can't imagine there is a more deserving person than Kevin to be apart of the task force.

Sincerely,



Leigh Ramirez  
Don's Ramons Mexican Restaurant

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

October 12, 2015

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

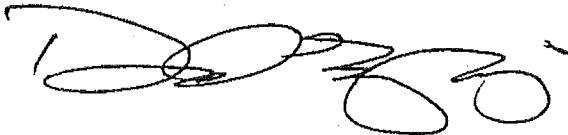
I am writing to urge support for Kevin Reed's application for a seat on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. My parents, Ted and Penny Zouzounis, opened Ted's Market during the summer of love in July of 1967, and I am proud to continue their tradition of providing fresh and wholesome quality food in a family atmosphere.

Ted's is located around the corner from The Green Cross' current delivery service. Over the years, I have observed his operation and interacted with the employees, many who live in the neighborhood. Kevin runs a professional organization with an emphasis on safety and building strong relationships with neighboring businesses.

As a small business owner South of Market, I am surrounded by medical cannabis dispensaries and understand there is no question that some of these facilities operate better than others. The Green Cross is among the best.

Please consider Kevin Reed's appointment; his excellent record of compliance and commitment to professionalism make him worthy of a seat on the task force.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'David Zouzounis', with a stylized flourish at the end.

David Zouzounis  
Ted's Market



Stephanie Nuttman  
60 Lamartine Street  
San Francisco, CA 94112

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

Attn: Alisa Somera

Dear Board of Supervisors,

I am writing this letter in support of appointing Kevin Reed to a seat on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. My experience with his cooperative, The Green Cross has been excellent. I have been a patient since 2005 and been to many clubs in San Francisco. I find very few that are as well run as The Green Cross.

I think it is important to note that The Green Cross has been around for a long time. What impresses me about Kevin and the coop, is they learn from their mistakes and grow. The opening of their 2<sup>nd</sup> location near my home was impressive. They actually make the community safer and cleaner. They help people cross busy Mission Street, beautiful their storefronts and send their staff out for at least 5 blocks patrolling and picking up trash in the neighborhood. They listen to the community, taken their role as a member of this neighborhood seriously. I've even seen changes from my own suggestions.

Kevin and The Green Cross are a great role model of how things should be handled with Cannabis and in my opinion, he is a necessary part of the conversation.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Hummingbird Nuttman, M.A.



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

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9,10,11,12,13 & 14 District: n/a

Name: Tariq Alazraie

Home Address: ██████████ Clement Street Zip: 94121

Home Phone: 415 ██████████ Occupation: President

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: BASA

Business Address: 1326 Grove Street Zip: 94117

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

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Check All That Apply:

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

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:**

I've lived in San Francisco for over 25 years, and appreciate this city for the diverse community it represents. I have have worked in many different neighborhoods including: Union Square, The Mission, Divisidero, and Market Street. It has been enlightening to get to know the people that represent each commmunity.

Please see attached letter to be submitted with this application.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I am a Graduate of San Francisco State, majoring in finance. I have owned and operated a variety of businesses in San Francisco since 1992, and look forward to contributing my professional experience in the medical cannabis movement and beyond to develop sound sustainable policies for San Francisco's future.

Please see attached letter to be submitted with this application.

**Civic Activities:**

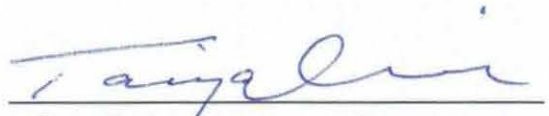
I have participated in a number of boards and commissions based in here in San Francisco including: Lower-Eddy Leavenworth Task Force, North of Market Planning Coalition, Midmarket Street Re development and SF Medical Cannabis Working Group.

Please see attached letter to be submitted with this application

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

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Date: 9/21/15 Applicant's Signature: (required)



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A resident of San Francisco for twenty-six years, I offer both expertise and experience to the Cannabis Task Force. Having owned and operated twelve businesses in the city of San Francisco, including three medical marijuana dispensaries, I'm able to offer a unique insight into the diverse community we serve and a realistic understanding of the issues business owners face as we develop legalization regulations.

As a passionate and long-standing member of this community, I've been afforded the opportunity to sit on a number of city boards and commissions as listed below:

<i>Chair of the Board</i>	-	<i>Lower-Eddy Leavenworth Task Force</i>
<i>Board Member</i>	-	<i>North of Market Planning Coalition</i>
<i>Board Member</i>	-	<i>Mid-Market Street Redevelopment</i>
<i>Working Group Member</i>	-	<i>S.F. Medical Cannabis Working Group</i>

In this respect, I feel confident in my ability to work collectively within the task force to develop services and legislation that better serve and protect our community.

Bay Area Safe Alternatives (BASA) has been operating since 2005. During the time of S.F. permitting regulations, we were the first to apply in S.F. and were subsequently approved as one of the first twenty-six permitted of an initial forty-four applicants. We are proud to maintain our reputation as one of the most legally compliant dispensaries in San Francisco with BASA being chosen to participate in the BETA testing for ASA's Patient Certification Program - a certification based on the national standards written by American Herbal Product Association.

Many of BASA's staff members have been working closely together with our dispensary for over a decade. Coming from a place as an employer, I have a broad understanding of the issues and concerns that effect both employers and employees in medical cannabis dispensaries.

BASA's reach within the community and involvement is broad yet inclusive. We have worked with and supported the following organizations:

- North Panhandle Block Captain
- Haight Ashbury Clinic
- Glide SF
- St. Francis
- San Francisco Chapter of Americans for Safe Access
- Americans for Safe Access
- Farmers Market on Grove & Divisadero
- Access of Love

My goal with the SF cannabis task force is to contribute my fifteen years of experience in this industry and help shape how legalization is formed for the future of business and tourism for the city of San Francisco. I am applying for seats 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, & 14.

Thank you for you time,

Best Wishes,

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Tariq Alazraie

*TariqA@gmail.com*

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

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: CANNABIS TASKFORCE

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9 District: 3

Name: PENELOPE DEVRIES

Home Address: POWELL STREET, APT SAN FRANCISCO Zip: 94108

Home Phone: (415) Occupation: APARTMENT MANAGER

Work Phone: (415) 420-4319 Employer: BALLYHALLINAN PROPERTIES

Business Address: 926 POWELL STREET, APT 31, SAN FRANCISCO Zip: 94108

Business E-Mail: Home E-Mail: LU\_DEVRIES@

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Check All That Apply:

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

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

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I am a 68 year old female who has lived, worked, and owned three businesses in San Francisco since 1966. I have worked primarily with the public most of my life as a restaurant owner and manager, and later as the manager of a medical cannabis referral clinic. For the past eight years, I have managed two apartment buildings in San Francisco. My son Brendan Hallinan lives and works in San Francisco, along with his wife and three children. Our family is invested in the quality of life in San Francisco. To that end, we participate in social and political events with open hearts and open minds.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

For four years, I was President and Managing Member of Greenway Professional Support Services, LLC, providing administrative support for medical cannabis consulting physicians and attorneys. We were located at 965 Mission Street, San Francisco, CA. The Greenway patients' median age was 37 years, from 18 to 91. At the close of our business, the Greenway database represented over 10,000 patients of all sexual, ethnic, financial, and medical backgrounds.


**Civic Activities:**

For the past year and a half, I have acted as Secretary of the Brownie Mary Democratic Club of San Francisco. Our focus is protecting jobs in the medical cannabis industry of San Francisco, and to stand for the humane and fair treatment of medical cannabis patients. To that end, the Brownie Mary Democratic Club agenda encourages standardized health and safety practices for all products for quality assurance, and the affirmation of the 2001-2 Resolution passed by the San Francisco Board of Supervisors. This resolution declares the City and County of San Francisco a sanctuary for medical cannabis use, cultivation, and distribution, and urging the District Attorney for the City and County of San Francisco, the San Francisco Police Department, the San Francisco Sheriff's Department, the Attorney General for the State of California, and the California Department of Consumer Affairs - Medical Board of California not to assist in the harassment, arrest or prosecution of physicians, medical cannabis dispensaries, individual patients, or their primary caregivers attempting to comply with section 11362.5 of the California Health and Safety Code.

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

*NO MEETINGS YET*

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Date: 9/21/15 Applicant's Signature: (required) 

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## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 25, 2015 10:09 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** FW: Support for Penelope DeVries for the Marijuana Legalization Task Force

Alisa Somera  
Assistant Clerk  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244 San Francisco, CA 94102  
415.554.4447 direct | 415.554.5163 fax  
alisa.somera@sfgov.org

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-----Original Message-----

**From:** David Goldman [mailto:[dcgoldman@gmail.com](mailto:dcgoldman@gmail.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 25, 2015 10:08 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS) <[alisa.somera@sfgov.org](mailto:alisa.somera@sfgov.org)>  
**Subject:** Support for Penelope DeVries for the Marijuana Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors:

We are writing today to give our support for Penelope deVries to become a member of the Marijuana Legalization Task Force. As medical patient activists and cannabis law reform advocates, we believe Ms. DeVries will be an asset for the task force's work.

We serve together on the Board of the Brownie Mary Democratic Club, a political club devoted to supporting medical cannabis patients and members of the medical cannabis industry. Her common sense and practical knowledge will be a good fit for the work of the task force. She has been active in medical cannabis advocacy for many years, including the running of Greenway, a physicians' office helping medical cannabis patients obtain their medical cannabis recommendations.



We urge you to support her candidacy. Thank you.

Sincerely,

David Goldman  
dgoldman@gmail.com  
Kenneth Michael Koehn  
kmkoehn@gmail.com  
m: 415-728-7631



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

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: CANNABIS STATE LEGALIZATION TASKFORCE

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9, 11, 12, 22 District: 6

Name: BENJAMIN THOMAS MANTON

Home Address: [REDACTED] HYDE STREET [REDACTED] Zip: 94109

Home Phone: 415 [REDACTED] Occupation: ASSISTANT MANAGER

Work Phone: 415-409-1002 Employer: BAY AREA SAFE ALTERNATIVES

Business Address: 1326 GROVE STREET Zip: 94117

Business E-Mail: BASACOLLECTIVE@GMAIL.COM Home E-Mail: MOONHAWKMANTON@[REDACTED]

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

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AS A BUDTENDER OF MEDICAL CANNABIS AND A RESIDENT OF THE TENDERLOIN, IT IS VERY IMPORTANT TO ME THAT THE DIVERSE INCOMES AND CULTURES OF THE CITY ARE REPRESENTED BY THIS TASK FORCE. MY AGE GROUP WILL LIKELY BE THE LARGEST DEMOGRAPHIC OF RECREATIONAL CANNABIS USERS, AND I LOOK FORWARD TO REPRESENTING THEIR CONCERNS.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I HAVE 8 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN THE SAN FRANCISCO MEDICAL CANNABIS INDUSTRY. DURING THIS TIME I HAVE WORKED AT EVERY LEVEL OF THE ORGANIZATION FROM GROWING TO MANAGING TO WORKING WITH CUSTOMERS IN OUR STORE FRONT DISPENSARY. USING THIS EXPERIENCE, I CAN AID THE TASK FORCE IN RECOGNIZING WHAT MODELS ARE WORKING, AND HOW THEY CAN BE TWEAKED FOR LEGALIZATION!

**Civic Activities:**

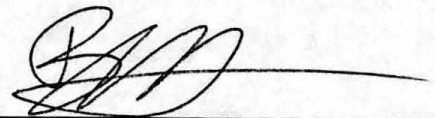
DURING THE PAST FEW YEARS I HAVE DONATED MY TIME TO COMMUNITY FOOD ORGANIZATIONS. IN ADDITION TO THIS, MY WORK AT BAY AREA SAFE ALTERNATIVES HAS LEAD ME TO WORK WITH THE LOW INCOME AND MENTALLY ILL PATIENTS THAT REQUIRE ACCESS TO MEDICAL MARIJUANA

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: 9/27/2015 Applicant's Signature: (required)



(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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Benjamin Manton

Hyde Street San Francisco 94109

Hello my name is Benjamin Manton and I am writing you today to apply for seats 9, 11, 12, and 22 on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. I have lived in San Francisco for 12 years. I first moved here at the age of 18 and I am now 30 years old. Living and growing here during that time has given me an informed view of city politics and culture for those under 30. I have lived in the Presidio, North Beach, Mission, Mid-Market, Castro, and have settled in the Tenderloin. Having a young person who has lived in such diverse neighborhoods aids the task force. By providing insight into what the 21-30 demographic is looking for in legalization and regulation, while being knowledgeable about how different districts would respond to different policies.

In addition to my experience as a resident, I have also been working in the medical cannabis industry since 2007 for Bay Area Safe Alternatives in San Francisco. During this time I have personally worked with hundreds of patients informing them about their medicine, explaining state and local law, and listening to their concerns. My experience and expertise in the cannabis industry, specifically storefront dispensaries, will serve the task force in being able to answer questions about current operational models that work, and how to adapt those models for adult use cannabis retail.

As a patient of medical marijuana, I am concerned for the cannabis consumer as legalization occurs. State standards for testing potency and residual solvents is key. As will be holding the producer of cannabis products accountable for product safety. My knowledge of product and state legislation leads me to believe there is much room for improvement within our state to meet the emerging national industry standards. By bringing both the concerns of the industry and the concerns of the patient/consumer to the table, I can work with the task force to create policies and services that aid the consumer and the city of San Francisco.

It is my hope that in working with the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force, I can contribute the knowledge and experience I have in the industry to help create a city policy that regulates and encourages responsible growth.

Thank you for your time,

Sincerely,  
Benjamin Manton  
[basacollective@](mailto:basacollective@)  
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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: The cannabis task force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): seat #9 District:

Name: Paul Anthony Camilleri

Home Address: Crocker ave Daly City Ca. Zip: 94014

Home Phone: 415- Occupation: Cultivator

Work Phone: 415-713-8421 Employer: Self

Business Address: n/a Zip: n/a

Business E-Mail: camilleri36@gmail.com Home E-Mail:

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Check All That Apply:

Registered voter in San Francisco: Yes No If No, where registered: Daly City

Resident of San Francisco Yes No If No, place of residence: Daly City

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 have 19 years of experience as a medical cannabis indoor cultivator in San Francisco, California. I am currently a active participant in compliance w/ordinance for San Francisco City Certified Medical Cannabis Grows . I am currently registered as a medical cannabis greenhouse with the San Francisco Health Board Department in a nonresidential zone. I strongly believe that medical cannabis grows should be transitioned out of residential zones, and into commercial and industrial zones. Being a 40 year old male native San Franciscan, I have seen first hand how why it is crucial to have ordinances to benefits the communities and their safety. But must importantly it provided safe medicine to medical cannabis patients all all walks of life.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I have 19 years experience as a indoor medical cannabis cultivator. I use to be a San Francisco local 38 Union plumber . I am also the president of a nonprofit Company called Top Horticultural Concepts, who specialize in designing innovative eco-friendly commercial and industrial medical cannabis Grow facilities.

**Civic Activities:**

My civic duties are voting in jury duty when called upon.

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

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**Date:** 09-29-15      **Applicant's Signature: (required)** Paul Anthony Camilleri

(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Kevin Reed <kevinreed@thegreencross.org>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 06, 2015 12:11 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** Paul Camilleri  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legalization Task Force Letter of Support for Paul Camilleri

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I'm writing to support Paul Camilleri's appointment to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. Having worked with Paul for over six years, I believe he would be an excellent candidate, bringing his 19 years of medical cannabis cultivation experience to the task force.

On both a personal and professional level, Paul is extremely passionate and knowledgeable about medical cannabis and all aspects of the plant. He is a fierce advocate for passing ordinances that will promote the regulation and safety of cultivation sites in San Francisco, especially when it comes to transitioning them away from the residential sector.

As one of the few operators of a registered medical cannabis greenhouse in San Francisco, Paul would bring a wealth of knowledge and insight into this area of the medical cannabis industry. I hope you will strongly consider his application to be apart of the task force.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

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Kevin Reed

Founder & President  
The Green Cross  
4218 Mission Street  
San Francisco, CA 94112

Mobile: 415.846.7671  
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## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Holli Bert <holli@thegreencross.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 09, 2015 11:53 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Re: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Hearing - 12/10/15 - 10AM  
**Attachments:** CSLTF Letter of Support.pdf

Hi Derek,

Thank you for keeping us updated. Please find a letter of support from Kevin Reed for eight of the CSLTF applicants, to be shared with the Supervisors for tomorrow's Rules Committee Meeting. If you have any questions or concerns about this, please let me know.

Best regards,  
Holli

On Wed, Dec 9, 2015 at 10:57 AM, Evans, Derek <[derek.evans@sfgov.org](mailto:derek.evans@sfgov.org)> wrote:

Hello,

Thank you to all those who have responded confirming attendance at the meeting tomorrow. If you have not already responded, please do so today and confirm whether you will be in attendance.

Further, please forward any last-minute additions to your application by COB today, so I can ensure that the Supervisors get copies.

Thank you,

**Derek K. Evans**

Assistant Clerk, Board of Supervisors

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, City Hall, Room 244

San Francisco, CA 94102

Phone: [\(415\) 554-7702](tel:(415)554-7702) | Fax: [\(415\) 554-5163](tel:(415)554-5163)

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December 9, 2015

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I am writing today to support the following candidates for seats on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force:

- Nicholas Smilgys
- Sarah Shrader
- Paul Anthony Camilleri
- Stewart Rhoads
- David Hua
- Barbara Fugate
- Laura Thomas
- Terrence Alan

I believe all these candidates would be valuable assets to the task force, bringing a wealth of experience and knowledge, and skill for resolute decision-making.

In my opinion, appointing the aforementioned applicants would lead to the overall success of the task force, benefiting the medical cannabis community as a whole.

In my 11+ years of owning and operating The Green Cross, I have had the pleasure of working with all these individuals in various capacities. I feel confident they would each be stellar additions to the task force and I hope you will strongly consider their appointments.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kevin Reed  
Founder & President  
The Green Cross



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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Fo

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9,22 District: 6

Name: Peter Maxwell

Home Address: Geary St Zip: 94109

Home Phone: 408 Occupation: Retail Manager, The Apothecarium

Work Phone: 415-500-2920 Employer: The Apothecarium

Business Address: 2095 Market St. Zip: 94114

Business E-Mail: peter@apothecariumsf.com Home E-Mail: p.mxwl

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Check All That Apply:

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

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:

I am representative of all of the young adults fresh out of higher education trying to create and maintain a career while residing in San Francisco and especially, the Tenderloin District.
I am also representative of eager individuals trying to be a part of and improve upon the medical cannabis industry, of which there are many in this city. Furthermore, as a member of the medical cannabis industry I understand the interests, needs and desires of patients of all age groups and socioeconomic backgrounds in San Francisco.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I have worked in the medical cannabis field for 5 years. For 2 years as a staff member and then manager of a dispensary in San Jose and for the 3 years as staff and now retail manager of The Apothecarium in the Castro district of San Francisco. I have experience composing educational workshops, consulting patients and managing a medical cannabis dispensary. I understand the demand for medical and soon recreational cannabis and the workings of the industry from cultivation to dispensary maintenance. I am both a leader and educator in the field.

**Civic Activities:**

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

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**Date:** 10/04/2015 **Applicant's Signature: (required)** Peter Maxwell

(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 10, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14 District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Michael J. Nolin

Home Address: ████████ Earnest Street Hercules, CA Zip: 94547

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: Cannabis Industry Consultant

Work Phone: 510-755-3583 Employer: Boss Enterprises and Consulting LLC

Business Address: 843 Howard Street San Francisco, CA Zip: 94103

Business E-Mail: mjnolin@hotmail.com Home E-Mail: ████████████████████

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

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

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Michael J Nolin is the founder and owner of The Green Door, San Francisco's leading medical cannabis dispensary. A pioneer in the medical marijuana movement, Mr. Nolin established The Green Door in Oakland in 2003 and has successfully operated the dispensary in San Francisco since 2005. After a personal experience with his grandmother's diagnosis of terminal stomach cancer he began the groundbreaking task of researching the medicinal values of cannabis. Under Mr. Nolin's leadership, The Green Door has served thousands of patients and has created a new standard throughout the state of California. As a social entrepreneur and celebrated cannabis advocate, Mr. Nolin is passionate about safe and affordable access for patients throughout the United States.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

In 2009, Mr. Nolin founded Boss Enterprises, a cannabis management and consulting firm. With projects and partners across the country, Mr. Nolin travels widely: establishing partnerships, building coalitions, and working with new dispensary owners on issues of management, safety, and lawful distribution. In 2010, he founded Boss Investments in order to provide financing for real estate holdings across the nation. Mr. Nolin has also established personal and professional relationships with numerous charitable organizations in which he is dedicated to helping.

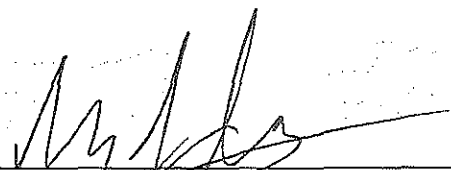
**Civic Activities:**

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: 11/17/2015

Applicant's Signature: (required)



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## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Jessica Cody <jessicacody89@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, November 23, 2015 12:56 PM  
**To:** Mjnolin@gmail.com  
**Cc:** Evans, Derek; Michael Nolin  
**Subject:** Re: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Application Received  
**Attachments:** Letters.pdf; Letters 1.pdf; Letters 2.pdf; Letters 3.pdf; Letters 4.pdf; Letters 5.pdf

Good day gentlemen,

Attached are various letters of recommendation.

On Fri, Nov 20, 2015 at 10:24 AM, Mjnolin@gmail.com <mjnolin@gmail.com> wrote:

It would be my pleasure. I have many. I will get on from her as well. I've cc'd my assistant to follow up. Jessica, could you please forward letters from the senators , congressmen and whatever you have to provide to Mr. Evens.  
Best to all

Michael Nolin  
President CEO  
Boss Enterprises  
[mjnolin@bosseandc.com](mailto:mjnolin@bosseandc.com)

On 19 Nov 2015, at 5:49 PM, Evans, Derek <derek.evans@sfgov.org> wrote:

Thank you. If you can get a letter of recommendation, I can add that to your application. Have a good one!

Regards,

**Derek K. Evans**

Assistant Clerk, Board of Supervisors

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**From:** Michael Nolin [<mailto:mjnolin@hotmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 19, 2015 11:06 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek <[derek.evans@sfgov.org](mailto:derek.evans@sfgov.org)>  
**Cc:** Mike Nolin <[mjnolin@gmail.com](mailto:mjnolin@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Application Received

Good day my friend, I have experience to be on the following seats, 9,10, 11,12,13, and 14. Thank you for your follow up. I'm ready and available anytime.

best regards

Michael Nolin

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**From:** [derek.evans@sfgov.org](mailto:derek.evans@sfgov.org)  
**To:** [mjnolin@hotmail.com](mailto:mjnolin@hotmail.com)  
**CC:** [mjnolin@gmail.com](mailto:mjnolin@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Application Received  
**Date:** Wed, 18 Nov 2015 01:15:02 +0000

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# Hillary Rodham Clinton

August 25, 2015

Mr. Michael J. Nolin  
1205 Earnest Street  
Hercules, CA 94547

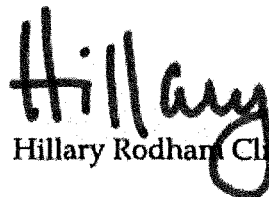
Dear Michael:

Thank you for your generous contribution to our campaign. I'm so grateful for your faith in my candidacy and agenda for change.

This fight is for all of us – for young Americans who are struggling to get started; for small business owners who are working hard to get ahead; for voters who are disenfranchised and kept from the polls; for those denied equal rights and opportunities because of who they are or whom they love; and for anyone who's ever been knocked down but refused to be knocked out. Everyday Americans need a champion, and I want to be that champion.

With deep appreciation and warm regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
Hillary Rodham Clinton



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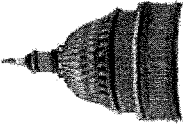
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Michael,

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DANA ROHRBACHER  
MEMBER OF CONGRESS  
FORTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT  
CALIFORNIA



July 6th, 2015

To whom it may concern,

Over the past few years, I have come to know Michael Nolin as a competent, credible, and thoughtful businessman.


He has provided me with credible information with regards to the medical cannabis industry, and I would like to thank him for the work that he has done both for the patients and for the communities at large in which he exists.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dana Rohrabacher". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the word "Sincerely,".

Dana Rohrabacher  
Congressman  
48th Congressional District

# YerbaBuena



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October 24, 2014

Green Door  
Mr. Michael Nolin  
Owner, CEO  
843 Howard Street  
San Francisco, CA 94103

Dear Mr. Nolin:

On behalf of the Yerba Buena Alliance, we would like to thank you and Green Door for sponsoring the 23rd anniversary gala and celebrating with us at the Metreon Cityview. Thank you so much for your sponsorship in the amount of \$750 to support the Yerba Buena Alliance.

It is with your support the Yerba Buena Alliance is able to achieve its mission of strengthening partnerships, providing neighborhood-wide leadership and infrastructure, serving as an information source and forum for the area's diverse interests. Sponsorship from the Gala goes to support the Alliance in its goals of bringing our neighborhood partners together and to create that sense of community we can all be proud of.

Thank you for joining us this year as we honored the *Unsung Hero Award* to Belva Davis and the *Organizational Champion Award* to the San Francisco Marriott Marquis Hotel. These awards are carefully chosen by the Alliance Gala committee to recognize the excellence in our community and to provide recognition and gratitude to the key players that make our neighborhood great. Thank you for celebrating the Yerba Buena, our honorees and this vibrant community that gives us all a reason to be proud.

As the neighborhood fast forwards into the future, the Alliance will be helping the neighborhood as we transition. We hope that you will join us at Yerba Buena neighborhood meetings and community meetings about the future of the Gardens the Alliance will hold in addition to the Art Walks and Third Thursday that we collaborate with on a monthly basis. We look forward to the New Year and collaborating with you as we work to engage and inform the community about the issues that matter most.

We would like to extend our deepest gratitude and thanks to you for joining us in celebration of this event and for your sponsorship and support of the Yerba Buena community. Working together, we are able to ensure that Yerba Buena remains one of the most vibrant and vital neighborhoods in San Francisco.

Sincerely,



Virginia Grandi  
Executive Director  
Yerba Buena Alliance



# UNITED • PLAYAZ

1038 Howard Street • San Francisco, CA 94103

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July 7, 2015

To Whom It May Concern,

My name is Rudy Corpuz Jr. I am the Founder and Executive Director of United Playaz, a violence prevention and leadership organization designed to provide youth with positive role models and activities to engage in as an alternative to involvement with gangs, drugs and other high-risk behaviors.

I am writing this letter of support on behalf of the Green Door. The Green Door is a valuable community partner and has worked hard to support many community efforts. One such effort were recent Gun Buy Back events that our organization hosted late last year and early this year. The Green Door partnered with UP, SFPD, the Mayor's Office of Violence Prevention and many other community organizations and city agencies. Through this partnership we were able to remove 200 guns off the streets of San Francisco. These types of efforts would not be possible without the support of valuable partners such as the Green Door. We appreciate their involvement as an active and positive member of our community and look forward to continuing to work with them.

If you have any questions or require more information, please feel free to contact me at 415-573-6219.

Thank you,

Rudy Corpuz Jr.  
Executive Director  
United Playaz



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

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: [REDACTED] \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Business E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-Mail: [REDACTED]

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

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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)** \_\_\_\_\_

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# Sharon Golden

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Alameda, CA 94501  
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510.938.3754

## APPLICATIONS

- 40+ WPM – WINDOWS/MAC, WORD, EXCEL, POWERPOINT, INTERNET, POS. MJFREEWAY AND MMJMENU. SOME QUICKBOOKS, PUBLISHER, ACROBAT, AND PHOTOSHOP. EASILY TRAINABLE ON ANY COMPUTER PROGRAM.

## RELATED EXPERIENCE

- **WATERFALL WELLNESS HEALTH CENTER** **SAN FRANCISCO, CA** **2013-2015**  
*ASSISTANT TO GENERAL MANAGER, NEW PRODUCT LIAISON, PROCESSING MANAGER, RECEPTION MANAGER, ASSISTANT FLOOR MANAGER, TENDER*
  - GUIDING TRAINEES ON PLEASANT PATIENT RECEPTION, AND THE LEGALITIES OF REGISTRATION AND VERIFICATION. DEVELOPED AND IMPLEMENTED RECEPTIONIST AND PROCESSING PROCEDURES FOR FUTURE TRAININGS. MEMBER OF THE STAFF EDUCATION COMMITTEE;
  - EXPEDITIOUS PROCESSING SKILLS – UNIT PROCESSING AVERAGE – 4 UNITS/MINUTE; METICULOUS QUALITY CONTROL WITH EXPERIENCED AWARENESS FOR FLOWER AND CONCENTRATE IMPERFECTIONS; INVENTORY MANAGEMENT TO MAINTAIN A BALANCED SELECTION OF MEDICINE FOR THE PATIENTS.
  - MEMBER OF THE STAFF EDUCATION COMMITTEE - TRAINING AND EDUCATING BUDTENDERS WITH CUTTING EDGE RESEARCH, SCHEDULING TRAININGS WITH OUTSIDE ORGANIZATIONS TO SUPPLEMENT TENDER EDUCATION.
  - OBTAINING AND FACILITATING THE INCORPORATION NEW AND TRENDING COMPANIES AND PRODUCTS, SCHEDULING VENDING APPOINTMENTS, ENSURING LASTING RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN VENDOR AND PURCHASING AGENT.
- **HOLISTIC HEALING CENTER** **RICHMOND, CA** **2011-2012**  
*PERSONAL ASSISTANT/PRE-LAUNCH ASSOCIATE*  
DUTIES FULFILLED: PERMITTING PREPERATION INCLUDING FLOOR LAYOUT, ADHEREANCE TO STATE AND COUNTY GUIDELINES, AND WORKING CLOSELY WITH RICHMOND CITY COUNCIL AND ITS ASSOCIATES TO OBTAIN PERMIT. PERMIT OBTAINED MAY, 2012
- **CONTRA COSTA LABOR CAMPAIGN CENTER** **RICHMOND, CA** **MIDTERM-2010**  
*'LABOR2NEIGHBOR' CAMPAIGN MANAGER*  
DUTIES FULFILLED: RESEARCHED AND DEVELOPED TARGET PRECINCTS TO BEST UTILIZE FINANCIAL AND PRODUCTION RESOURCES, RECRUITED, COORDINATED AND TRAINED VOLUNTEERS TO BE ABLE TO ARTICULATE AND DISCUSS OUR ORGANIZATIONS ISSUES TO THE PUBLIC, IN MULTI-FACETED EFFORTS. WORKED CLOSELY WITH STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR TO ALIGN RESOURCES AND OPTIMIZE EFFORTS.
- **CANNABIS BUYERS CLUB OF BERKELEY** **BERKELEY, CA** **2010**  
*BUDTENDER/PROCESSING*  
DUTIES FULFILLED: PHONES, PATIENT CHECK-IN, BUDTENDING, PROCESSING, INVENTORY, NEIGHBORHOOD OUTREACH
- **HARBORSIDE HEALTH CENTER** **OAKLAND, CA** **2007-2009**  
*PROCESSING, INVENTORY BUDTENDING & RECEPTION*  
DUTIES FULFILLED: PATIENT RECEPTION, REGISTRATION AND VERIFICATION; DEXTEROUS PROCESSING AND QUALITY CONTROL, AND METICULOUS INVENTORYING; EXPERIENCED AND KNOWLEDGEABLE BUDTENDING AND CLONE RETAIL WITH FAST-PACED AND EFFICIENT CUSTOMER SERVICE.



- **AMERICANS FOR SAFE ACCESS** **OAKLAND, CA** **2006-2007**  
**MEMBERSHIP COORDINATOR**  
**DUTIES FULFILLED:** DONOR SERVICES, MEMBER OUTREACH, DATA ENTRY, ONLINE MERCHANDIZING AND PROMOTIONS, SHIPPING AND RECEIVING AND MAIL MERGERS
  
- **CONTRA COSTA LABOR COUNCIL** **MARTINEZ, CA** **2005-2006**  
**CAMPAIGN ORGANIZING ASSISTANT**  
**DUTIES FULFILLED:** FAST PACED FLEXIBILITY, MULTI-TASKING, PREPARING COINCIDING PRECINCT WALKS AND PHONE BANKS WEEKLY, GENERATING VOLUNTEER MATERIALS, COORDINATION WITH OUTSIDE SOURCES

### OTHER EXPERIENCE

- **ASSEMBLY MEMBER SANDRÉ SWANSON** **OAKLAND, CA** **SUMMER 2011**  
**DISTRICT INTERN**  
**DUTIES FULFILLED:** AS A CONSTITUENT LIAISON, I RESEARCHED AND RESOLVED CIRCUMSTANCES RELATED TO STATE BUREAUCRACY. OUT OF THE 10 CASES RECEIVED, I SUCCESSFULLY CLOSED 8 IN THE SHORT TIME I WAS INTERNING. ALSO PERFORMED GENERAL CLERICAL TASKS; PHONES, FILING, DATABASE MAINTENANCE.

### LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

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- **STATE SENATOR MARK DESAULNIER, ASSEMBLYMEMBER'S SANDRÉ SWANSON AND SUSAN BONILLA, CONGRESSMEN GEORGE MILLER, JOHN GARAMEDI,** **2000- CURRENT**  
PHONE BANKING, WALKING AND WALKER PACK PREPARATION
- **BAY AREA SCHOOL OF ENTERPRISES** **2001**  
COMMUNITY OUTREACH, CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT, APPROVAL OF CHARTER FROM BOARD OF EDUCATION
- **CLUB INCLUSION – YOUTH-RUN, YOUTH-ORIENTED NIGHT CLUB** **2001-2002**  
DEVELOPED CONTRACTS AND PROPOSALS FOR VARIOUS ARTISTS PERFORMING AT OUR VENUE, PROMOTIONS- MEDIA AND TARGET AUDIENCE

### EDUCATION

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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: SF Cannabis Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): #9, #13, #19 District: 5

Name: James Asher

Home Address: Lyon San Francisco Zip: 94117

Home Phone: 646-263-5586 Occupation: cultivation, delivery, performer

Work Phone: Employer: self

Business Address: 4014 24th st. Sf, CA Zip: 94114

Business E-Mail: james@joinviva.com Home E-Mail:

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As a cultivator of cannabis and delivery service provider as well as a patient myself I have hands on experience with the hurdles faced by small cannabis entrepreneurs in San Francisco. I have tried to make it easier for patients to access cannabis for the past 8 years here in San Francisco and to bring the cannabis industry out of the shadows and into the light where this medicine belongs. No one in this city should have less access to this medicine. All of San Francisco's demographics need to be served by medical cannabis providers and I hope to facilitate their access with a seat on the Task Force.
I want to provide voice to the smaller, independent business people like my self who have struggled for years to bring this opportunity to California and who don't want to see it monopolized by a few special interests. Of course larger business interests have helped in the struggle too so I don't want to see people excluded but rather bring some balance to the table as we work together toward safe and fair regulation of this powerful plant :)

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I have 15 years cultivation experience of both indoor and sun-grown medical cannabis and cannabinoid concentrates. I grew up with my mother cultivating cannabis in the 70's in Northern California. I've seen this industry emerge, slowly and painfully from out of the darkness when I went to high school in Humboldt County in the 80's to where its at today treating illness and improving the lives of so many like my father who turned to it for relief from aggressive Cancer. I started a cannabis delivery service last year to help more people access the power of this plant and I continue to be closely involved with grass roots organization around the movement. Additionally I bring 25 years in the film and theater industry to the Task Force. I have years of experience building consensus among passionate colleagues on the set of a film or working at Berkeley Rep or the SF Opera. I know how to take two, sometimes divergent visions and bring them together to make a thing a beauty. I know how make compromises to achieve a greater good.

**Civic Activities:**

I've been a care-giver to the sick and dying including my father and others with cancer and other debilitating diseases. It's a powerful expression of community to give care to the ill even with something as simple as offering them a plant that I've grown with love. I've also been a member of the Brownie Mary Democratic committee since 2014 - a community activist forum that has been doing exceptional work over the past several years to help bring about sensible legislation in the legalization movement. My San Francisco based delivery service is currently developing a donation program amongst our collective members to provide cannabis products to those in need who cannot afford the medicine. There's long been a spirit of community among the culture of cannabis and we feel it's our duty to uphold this spirit even as the industry explodes with exponential growth. I intend to make sure we know where we came from as we all move into this exciting new era for the people of San Francisco and California. I was born and raised on a Buddhist monastery here in San Francisco and my parents instilled in me a deep appreciation for seeing the other as myself - a sensibility that effects my artistic expression, my business practices and my civic life.

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

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Date: 11/24/15 Applicant's Signature: (required) James Asher

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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9, 11, 12, 13, 14 District: 10

Name: Stewart M. Rhoads

Home Address: Topeka Ave. San Francisco, CA Zip: 94124

Home Phone: 415-225-6892 Occupation: Consultant

Work Phone: same Employer: Independent Contractor - N/A

Business Address: same Zip:

Business E-Mail: SRhoads@stanfordalumni.org Home E-Mail: same

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Residing in and working with the medical cannabis community of San Francisco for 15 years, I've collaborated with patients, doctors, hospice workers, sellers, growers, legalization advocates, security experts, attorneys, contractors, architects, engineers, ancillary service providers, and city staff, collectively embodying the ethnic, racial, age, sex, orientation, and gender diversity described above. I've also had extensive personal contact with disabled and economically disadvantaged individuals through charitable efforts as an MCD affiliate. Each of these individuals brings unique perspective on the personal impact of public policy formulation. Living and working in the Bayview, the only remaining industrial area in San Francisco, offers special insight on neighborhood impact, land use, and other issues facing the City with likely legalization of adult use cannabis in 2016. Please see addendum for proposed CSL Task Force objectives, additional personal information, and excerpts from my Medical Cannabis Task Force application.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

- Medical cannabis cultivation efforts commencing in 1999 with a personal use garden.
- B.S. Stanford University, 2005
- Cultivator for HopeNet & other San Francisco licensed MCD's
- Electrical safety/efficiency/load management professional consultant
  - In business since January 2015.
  - Providing services within San Francisco since July 12, 2015

**Civic Activities:**

- Civic: - Participant in SF Medical Cannabis Working Group (2009-2010)
- Served on SF Medical Cannabis Task Force (2011-2012)
  - Chair, Cultivation Committee of SFMCTF (2011-2012)
  - Pro bono electrical safety consultant (2012-2014)
  - Volunteer, SF Food Bank
  - Organized donations to: United Playaz, Soma Rotary Club
- Electoral: - Signature collection in lieu of filing fee efforts in several San Francisco elections

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

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## Addendum

### California State Legalization Task Force Application - Stewart Rhoads

The new San Francisco CSL Task Force will need to accomplish 3 main objectives in fulfilling its mandate:

- I. Protect public safety
    - A. Develop regulations for cannabis production, testing, and sales, edibles especially, in advance of ballot initiative passage.
    - B. Address issues related to product quality control, land use, and building safety.
    - C. Develop protocols preventing children from obtaining cannabis.
  - II. Facilitate capture of tax revenues
    - A. Differentiate between adult use and legitimate therapeutic use of medical cannabis by seriously ill individuals for certain conditions only, including HIV/AIDS and cancer.
    - B. Ensure residents and tourists have access to venues for acquisition and consumption.
    - C. Direct revenues to maximize public benefit, such as was done in Colorado by funding the education system.
  - III. Support the San Francisco entertainment industry
    - A. Determine whether and how cannabis can be sold and/or consumed in nightclubs, restaurants, and cafes.
    - B. Limit undue impact on neighborhoods and actively promote San Francisco's reputation as a world class destination.
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Reasons why I'm desirable as a member of this body include:

- I've been a medical cannabis patient since 1999, participating actively with seminal medical cannabis organization leaders.
- Born in San Francisco (1979), resident and registered voter since 2001.
- Familiarity with California medical cannabis law, as well as federal statutes.
- Knowledgeable about business operation, statutory entity creation/maintenance, and finance.
- Versed in San Francisco land use law and California building code.
- Ongoing study of policy already implemented in Colorado, Oregon, and Washington.
- Extensive cultivation experience.
- Degree in chemistry yields insight into the future of manufacturing.
- Expert electrical safety, planning, automation, and efficiency consultant. I use thermal imaging for preventative maintenance of electrical systems under heavy loads.
- Frequently work with architectural, engineering, and real estate professionals.
- Several years experience in advocacy and interaction with local governments, including small interagency meetings, primarily in San Francisco, also in City of Berkeley and Mendocino County.
- In 2010 spoke as Chair of the SF City Medical Cannabis Working Group's Cultivation Subcommittee at a series of SF Police Commission hearings, resulting in the return of 7 pounds of wrongfully seized medical cannabis.
- Worked with Berkeley City Council members to substantially alter Measure T, a voter initiative that passed successfully in 2010.
- Member of the former San Francisco Medical Cannabis Task Force, appointed in 2011. Experience was enjoyable, educational, and I know exactly what will be required of me in this forum. Teamwork was and will be top priority.
- Primary author of the "Nursery Safety Guidelines," adopted by the SFMCTF.

Thank you for considering me.

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Holli Bert <holli@thegreencross.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 09, 2015 11:53 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Re: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Hearing - 12/10/15 - 10AM  
**Attachments:** CSLTF Letter of Support.pdf

Hi Derek,

Thank you for keeping us updated. Please find a letter of support from Kevin Reed for eight of the CSLTF applicants, to be shared with the Supervisors for tomorrow's Rules Committee Meeting. If you have any questions or concerns about this, please let me know.

Best regards,  
Holli

On Wed, Dec 9, 2015 at 10:57 AM, Evans, Derek <[derek.evans@sfgov.org](mailto:derek.evans@sfgov.org)> wrote:

Hello,

Thank you to all those who have responded confirming attendance at the meeting tomorrow. If you have not already responded, please do so today and confirm whether you will be in attendance.

Further, please forward any last-minute additions to your application by COB today, so I can ensure that the Supervisors get copies.

Thank you,

**Derek K. Evans**

Assistant Clerk, Board of Supervisors

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December 9, 2015

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I am writing today to support the following candidates for seats on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force:

- Nicholas Smilgys
- Sarah Shrader
- Paul Anthony Camilleri
- Stewart Rhoads
- David Hua
- Barbara Fugate
- Laura Thomas
- Terrence Alan

I believe all these candidates would be valuable assets to the task force, bringing a wealth of experience and knowledge, and skill for resolute decision-making.

In my opinion, appointing the aforementioned applicants would lead to the overall success of the task force, benefiting the medical cannabis community as a whole.

In my 11+ years of owning and operating The Green Cross, I have had the pleasure of working with all these individuals in various capacities. I feel confident they would each be stellar additions to the task force and I hope you will strongly consider their appointments.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kevin Reed  
Founder & President  
The Green Cross

Supervisors Avalos, Cohen, and Wiener:

My name is Michael Buff. I am the owner of Medorganics LLC, a cannabis cultivation consulting company. I am writing this recommendation concerning my work with Stewart Rhoads as we have worked closely together as consultants in the medical cannabis industry for some time. I am the Director of Cultivation and the named person of responsibility for all Cannabis Operations on an approved application and license in the State of Massachusetts for Medical Cannabis Cultivation and Sales for our client Massmedicum Corp. of Massachusetts. I have a degree from UCLA in 1990 and am considered a national expert in cultivation, strain evaluation, and issues revolving around medical cannabis.

Massmedicum Corp, my client, has been licensed with two locations and is currently building its platform in MA under State Department of Public Health regulations and oversight. I have been fully background checked and vetted during a very long and competitive application process in MA. Massmedicum Corp. relies on myself and my company Medsorganics for 100% of its cultivation and Medical Cannabis IP. Massmedicum Corp. is only one client of my company, and we also have Colorado and Oregon/Washington clients who I consult with on a regular basis in the industry.

Stewart Rhoads has assisted in cultivation platform design, work with architects and mechanical engineers on site plans, building plans, code issues, electrical planning and all of the detail work that goes into building cultivation platforms for our clients. Stewart has years of cultivation and cultivation platform design experience. Stewart has always provided valuable and needed insight into all aspects of cultivation including pest controls, yield per watt analysis, energy efficiency research, cultivation flow design and work flow ideas and strain evaluation.

What you need to understand most is that Stewart's personal values drive his research and focus his attention on issues commonly ignored, including product safety through the use of exclusively biological pest and fungus control methods, and electrical safety through the use of obscure components and custom spec systems anticipating unusually heavy demands incurred by industrial scale cultivation. Use of a 3 phase power analyzer and thermal imaging for preventative maintenance is a level of sophistication common only to utilities and heavy industry, yet Stewart has pioneered application of these techniques in the interest of improving the image and safety record of medical cannabis operators.

In developing any sort of regulatory program, Stewart's integrity and passion for his work, combined with extensive knowledge of regulatory considerations in California, Massachusetts, and Colorado has proven to be invaluable time after time. His inclusion in the Medsorganic LLC network will offer him access and insights and information known only to national industry insiders.

I recommend Stewart Rhoads completely and without reservation as he has been an outstanding and vital resource for my company Medsorganics and myself. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Michael Buff

858-888-5273

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Carol Holland <holland.carol.d@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 08, 2015 7:54 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Stewart Rhoades

Greetings,

My name is William Holland, I'm a native San Franciscan, and my wife and I have been living in the Excelsior since 1983. I was a partner in Crown Ironworks since 1967, I now run Holland Ironworks, and I'm the Secretary of the Asian-American Contractor's Association.

I'm writing in support of Stewart Rhoades. He is a person of upstanding character and unusual ability. His expertise in building and electrical safety, and the sciences in general, will be helpful in creating policy for San Francisco. If you have any questions, please call me at 415-586-2313.

Very Truly Yours

W.P. Holland



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

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 9 District: 11

Name: Alejandro del Calvo

Home Address: Concord St Zip: 94112

Home Phone: 707.291.4988 Occupation: Clerk

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: City & County of San Francisco

Business Address: 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl. SF, CA Zip: 94102

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

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As a younger citizen of this city, I believe, I can add an important perspective to this task force. As the plant itself has become less and less taboo, and the medical benefits become more aparent, my generation has had less of a stigma than previous ones. More and more people of my generation are active in the industry, active users or sympathetic to the needs of medical users.

I live in District 11 where just down the street from me there are two of the city's most popular cannabis clubs. I have spoken to several neighbors about the positive an negative impacts of the surrounding clubs. Being fluent in Spanish has also given me the ability to converse with ethnically diverse neighbors and fellow citizens concernign the topics this task force hopes to reconcile.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

Industry experience only:

I have spent several years assisting in medical cannabis cultivation. I have worked on co-ops, and volunteered at medical centers. Through the years, I have overseen all facets of growing, from seedlings to bucking and sealing. I have worked and assisted across several counties from Humboldt, Mendocino and Sonoma. I am also a member of two medicinal clubs here in the city and one in Oakland.

Also having lived and studied in Humboldt County, I have witnessed first hand the continuous effort, of people in the business, to prepare for the legalization of the industry. I have assisted with the creation of the first "Bud'n'Breakfasts". Even though the business never came to fruition, it was a learning experience in seeing how the potential future legalization and regulation of the industry can positively impact the local economy.

**Civic Activities:**

Member of Young Democrats  
Regularly Volunteer at regional Library branches  
Tutor ESL students in Social Studies  
Currently completing SFFD NERT training

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

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Date: 12/2/2015      Applicant's Signature: (required) Alejandro Alberto del Calvo

(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Alejandro del Calvo <alejandrodcalvo@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, December 07, 2015 11:53 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Re: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Hearing - 12/10/15 - 10AM

Derek,

Thank you for your email and the opportunity to speak in front of the rules committee. I do plan on attending the meeting on December 10. Besides Vacant Seat # 9 that I have applied for, I would also be interested in Vacant Seat #22. I do plan on obtaining at least two letters of support and I will forward them to your email for distribution to the Supervisors.

Regards,

Alejandro Alberto del Calvo

On Fri, Dec 4, 2015 at 10:02 AM, Evans, Derek <[derek.evans@sfgov.org](mailto:derek.evans@sfgov.org)> wrote:

Hello Alejandro,

Thank you for submitting your application to the **Cannabis State Legalization Task Force**. I noticed you only list one seat you are applying for (Seat 9); are there other seats for which you may be qualified?

The Supervisors like to have a full scope of applicants' qualifications and, if you were to be appointed, they would place you in the seat they feel most appropriate.

Your application will be considered by the Board of Supervisors Rules Committee at the following meeting:

*Thursday, December 10, 2015*

*10:00 a.m.*

*City Hall, Legislative Chamber, Room 250*

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Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: California State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Patient Advocacy/Blkg District: \_\_\_\_\_  
Advocacy 10, 11, 21

Name: Shona Lezana Grohencen

Home Address: [Redacted] Eddy Apt [Redacted] Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: [Redacted] Occupation: Patient Advocate

Work Phone: (415) 240-5247 Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: 1260 Mission SF, CA Zip: 94103

Business E-Mail: AxisofLoveSF@gmail.com Home E-Mail: [Redacted]

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I have helped create public Policy regarding cannabis since 2001, with decaying Sentencing, have worked Locally, and on Federal level,  
 Axis of Love SF has served San Francisco patients for over a decade, we are cure a people of color majority team of disabled low income patients



**Business and/or professional experience:**

|                                        |              |                           |
|----------------------------------------|--------------|---------------------------|
| Sanctuary legislation 2001             | champ 2000-1 | Senator + Supervisor      |
| Sanctuary MDC 2005                     |              | Lead                      |
| worked with Sup Mark Leno, Campos, Kim |              | current proponent         |
| The honorable chairman John Conyers Jr |              | of legalization effort    |
| office of Nancy Pelosi                 |              | And on steering committee |
|                                        |              | MCR                       |

**Civic Activities:**

Act of love SF peer services  
 neighborhood DS  
 Awards from Harvey Milk LGBT

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

Founder of Medical Cannabis Taskforce + Oversight committee of  
 lowest priority for marijuana offenses, held Patient advocate  
 seat for 2 terms

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant's Signature: (required) Arena Shehena

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## Shona Levana Gochenaur

(415) 240-5247

[Axisoflovesf@gmail.com](mailto:Axisoflovesf@gmail.com)

### OBJECTIVE

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To be seated on the state legalization taskforce of the city of San Francisco, in any seat in which the board of supervisors finds appropriate. This application is put in for three seats: the policy seat, and the two legalization advocate seats.

### QUALIFICATIONS

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- Chairwoman of the Harvey Milk Club Cannabis Caucus
- Co-author of the oversight committee of our city's lowest priority for cannabis arrests
- Sat on the working group that created the law via Tom Ammianno's office, one of the first in the nation to make cannabis arrest lowest priority
- Created a working relationship with the SFPD under Chief Heather Fong
- The only application that is a proponent of two state ballot measures.
- I have been serving on the steering committee of MCLR 2016, since 2013.  
MCLR is the first open source law ever filed in California, it has been coined by the media as "the inclusive process ballot measure" with input from thousands of legalization advocates globally. As well as having garnered the advocacy of most of California top cannabis attorneys. The proposed law is based in fair public policy. Many of the other entries are via lobbyist for clients that desire to bottle neck the process and garner a monopoly.
- Organized against Prop 19 - the ballot measure failed due to its monopoly structure, and alongside many other cannabis policy educators was able to block a well-funded effort that jeopardized nearly everyone that wasn't to benefit from the restrictions at the state level.
- Advised on cannabis policy at the national, state and local levels.
- Co-authored a letter to the DEA with Chairman John Conyers Jr. Of the Congressional Judiciary Committee.
- Worked with Rep. Pelosi, Mark Leno, Carol Midgen, Ross Mirkarimi, David Campos, the SF Planning and Health Departments, Betty Yee, Jane Kim, Chris Daly, etc..
- I am centered on public policy that brings equity and justice. I am an advocate for poor people and for cannabis justice and have done a lot of work in support of prisoners.

In closing, I have advised the city of San Francisco for over a decade on public policy regarding cannabis, with emphasis upon equity in access for low-income patients and preserving our community-based medical cannabis small businesses.

Since 2013, I have been a member of a steering committee for the state ballot measure MCLR 2016. I am the only application that's a proponent of a statewide ballot measure. I intend to collaborate with the city departments and businesses to assure a fair public policy is established, one which protects our environment and serves both patients and consumers.



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Seat # or Category (If applicable): 10 District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Wyatt Lin

Home Address: ████████ Ocean Ave Zip: 94127

Home Phone: ████████████████████ Occupation: Manager

Work Phone: 415 239 4766 Employer: 1944 Ocean Cooperative

Business Address: 1944 Ocean Avenue Zip: 94127

Business E-Mail: orders@1944ocean.com Home E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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I am a SF resident interested helping craft policy of Cannabis legalization.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

Operations Manager for 1944 Ocean Cooperative, a licensed SF medical marijuana dispensary.

**Civic Activities:**

[Empty box for Civic Activities]

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

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Date: 11/18/15    Applicant's Signature: (required)   
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**Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces**

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

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Seat 11/12 District: 8

Name: Troy Brunet

Home Address: Church St. San Francisco CA Zip: 94114

Home Phone: 415 Occupation: Retired Finance Director

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Business E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Home E-Mail: BRUNETTROY@

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

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I am a 50 year old AIDS survivor & I live in Castro/Duboce Triangle area and care about the welfare of my community. I am Black, Gay and Physically Disabled. Many Hip & Joint replacements. I serve on the Philanthropic Advisory Board of the Aphoracarium & Media Marijuana Dispensary, on the Board of the SFPA (San Francisco Pool Association). I care and am dependable. I only want people to have the Medicinal Marijuana they need to survive this wonderful life!

**Business and/or professional experience:**


Activist / Fund Raiser / Activist Volunteer for the Aids Emergency Fund / Breast Cancer Emergency Fund  
I sit on the Board of the SFPA, Advisory Board of the Apothecarium Medical Marijuana Dispensary & the Advisory Board of Mandame Ballet Company  
In the past I served on the Tenderloin Health Board as well as the Community Housing Partnership Board of Direct

**Civic Activities:**

I Volunteer as Lead for Project Honduras Connect Reading Class Program. Also volunteer time to my church of the Metropolitan Community Church of San Francisco. I am a Starwalker Fundraiser for the S.F. Aids Walk & Give time where needed.

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

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Date: 7/28/15 Applicant's Signature: (required) 

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To: Cannabis Task Force

From: Troy Brunet

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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Seat #11 and 13 District:

Name: Nick Lanza

Home Address: West Portal San Francisco, CA Zip: 94127

Home Phone: Occupation: Small Business Owner

Work Phone: 850-207-1714 Employer: Beach Basement Enterprises LLC

Business Address: 236 West Portal #217, San Francisco 94127 Zip: 94127

Business E-Mail: BeachBasementEnterprisesLLC@gmail.com Home E-Mail:

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I'm a passionate cannabis user who uses cannabis sativa for medicinal purposes. I moved to California four years ago because I wasn't able to treat my chronic pain with traditional pharma products. I've had a few surgeries from sport injuries years back and have had a very difficult time learning how to get back into physical shape without chronic pain. Cannabis helps me keep an active lifestyle, without physical pain. I'm also connected with local chapters in SF from different industry groups such as Women Grow, NORML, and other cannabis related community groups. I would be a great liason to the board because of my medicinal use and knowledge of the plant, my connections to local cannabis groups who are passionate about leagalization, and my overall ability to play well on a team with others.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

1. Owner of a small business in San Francisco serving a Cannabis Business
2. Owner of a nutrition/lifestyle consulting group
3. Over 7 years of consulting/sales business experience
4. BSBA University of Central Florida

**Civic Activities:**

1. Leadership Committee of FOGG (Friends of the Golden Gate) in San Francisco
2. Habitat for Humanity
3. Surf Riders Foundation Member
4. Participant of Ocean Beach's Local Beach Clean up

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**Date:** 11/18/15    **Applicant's Signature: (required)** Nick Lanza

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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

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

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 12, 14, 15, 19 District: 2

Name: Sabrina Matlin

Home Address: [Redacted] Broadway Apt [Redacted] Zip: 94109

Home Phone: 617-[Redacted] Occupation: HR Director

Work Phone: 415-282-2300 Employer: Bacchus Management

Business Address: 3450 3rd st Zip: 94124

Business E-Mail: sabrina@bacchusmanagement.com Home E-Mail: srmatlin@[Redacted]

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I am a native San Franciscan who returned to the city in 2008. I grew up in the Financial district and lived in the Richmond when I moved back. I am now a resident of Pacific Heights for over 6 years. I am incredibly passionate about San Francisco and consider myself and ambassador to the city at all times. I smoke marijuana recreationally and will benefit from legalization personally. I understand that there are many issues that need to be discussed thoroughly in order to recommend the best possible policies for San Francisco to adopt. I have the ability to see other perspectives and opinions besides my own, and weigh options in a balanced and effective manner. I have been involved with marijuana reform since 2000 in California and Massachusetts. I understand the complexity of this new reality and keep myself educated as much as possible. I am aware of the state recommendations however I greatly value San Francisco organizing a task force to establish city level policies for possible legalized Marijuana. I believe my passion for the city, my knowledge in the area and my desire to contribute to a well formulated list of suggested policies makes me an excellent candidate for the task force.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I work in Human Resources for a San Francisco restaurant company. I have over ten years restaurant experience as a manager. As the HR Director for a restaurant company, the lives of the employees has the potential to be impacted if marijuana becomes legalized. As many people who work in the industry are recreational consumers. I also represent the complex employment issues that will come about should the people vote to legalize marijuana. Employment issues is something that needs to be considered and I represent that consideration.

I began working with marijuana reform in 2000 while a student at Sacramento State University and I established the NORML chapter on campus. Whether attending conferences, meetings or rallies, I continue to educate myself on the complexity of marijuana policy. I actively watch what other states and cities are doing in addition to other countries that have some form of legalization. I continued to be involved when I moved to Massachusetts and have never wavered in my support of legalization.

**Civic Activities:**

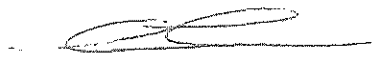
I am an active member of the Junior League where I achieve more of my civic involvement. As an organization of women I have an amazing opportunity to give back to my community by volunteering at numerous events and fundraisers across San Francisco. The Junior League has allowed me to continue to develop as a leader and this year I am in a position of leadership within the league.

In addition to league activities and volunteer opportunities, I am active in neighborhood clean ups, neighborhood meetings, Office of Work Force Development, Late night transportation coalition, and anything else that impacts my city and the restaurant employees.

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

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Date: 08/31/2015 Applicant's Signature: (required) \_\_\_\_\_



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Kris Krane  
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Boston, MA 02131  
(510) 387-2440  
[kris@4front-advisors.com](mailto:kris@4front-advisors.com)

August 13, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I'm writing today to strongly recommend Sabrina Matlin for a position on Supervisor Scott Weiner's proposed Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. I've personally known Sabrina for over fifteen years, since she was a college student who passionately fought for social justice reform of all kinds, including ending the arrests of otherwise law-abiding citizens who choose to consume marijuana.

I have personally spent my entire career working in marijuana law reform and the emerging cannabis industry, so I take proposals like Supervisor Weiner's very seriously. In my career I have served as the associate director of the National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws and executive director of Students for Sensible Drug Policy. I currently serve on the national boards of directors of SSDP, Marijuana Majority, and the National Cannabis Industry Association. In my current job, I am managing partner of 4Front Advisors, a national cannabis business consulting firm with a reputation for helping our clients establish some of the most professional and compliant dispensaries in the country. In my previous role, I was involved in helping develop successful dispensary models in the greater Bay Area, including SPARC in San Francisco, and Harborside and Elemental Wellness in San Jose.

Given my background, it is of the utmost importance to me that commissions such as this are populated by people who will take their roles seriously, and dedicate themselves to crafting policies that will positively impact their communities and mitigate any potential harms that come with major policy changes such as legalizing cannabis. In my experience, the city of San Francisco could do no better than Sabrina Matlin serving on such a committee. Sabrina is a conscientious advocate for reform and a consumer herself, but also a native resident of San Francisco who cares deeply about her community and has spent countless hours volunteering to improve civic life in the city.

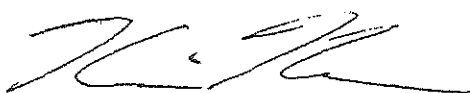
Through the years Sabrina has volunteered for marijuana reform efforts across the country, never as a paid professional but as a concerned citizen. A consumer herself, Sabrina has resisted the path of many in California to get a doctor's recommendation to purchase from dispensaries, because she does not consider herself a patient and refuses to trivialize the suffering of those truly in need by attempting to exploit the medical cannabis system in California. Instead she has

continued to obtain product in the black market, despite the inherent risks involved in doing so.

Sabrina has been a well-informed and conscientious advocate for marijuana policy reform for many years, but has never received payment for her work. She has done so because she cares about the issue. Should she be selected for this commission, she would no doubt work tirelessly to ensure the commission develops the best possible recommendations for the city of San Francisco.

I'm happy to discuss this in more detail if there's interest. Feel free to reach out to me at the contact info in the header of this letter.

Sincerely,

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Kris Krane

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Samantha Higgins <samantha@ggra.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 09, 2015 2:03 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legalization Task Force Appointment Support Letter  
**Attachments:** GGRA\_SupportLetter.pdf

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Jon Ballesteros  
Jacob Cross  
Janet Griggs  
Duncan Ley  
Sabrina Matlin

Let me know if you have any questions or need anything else from me.

Thanks!  
Samantha

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Samantha M. Higgins

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December 10, 2015

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Re: Appointments, Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors Avalos, Tang, Cohen, and Wiener,

The Golden Gate Restaurant Association (GGRA) strongly supports the following candidates for the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force: Jon Ballesteros, Jacob Cross, Janet Griggs, Duncan Ley, and Sabrina Matlin.

Jon Ballesteros has been a leader in the Tourism and Hospitality Industry for many years. In his role as Vice President of Public Policy for San Francisco Travel, Jon has been the voice of the tourism industry, ensuring that the visitor experience is the very best for the City's guests. Additionally, Jon has been a tireless advocate for the jobs and economic impact that tourism brings to the City of San Francisco. He would bring a great deal of experience, leadership, and thought to the Task Force.

Furthermore, the GGRA recommends Jacob Cross, Janet Griggs, Duncan Ley, and Sabrina Matlin as appointees to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. The above candidates have all shown years of dedication to the City of San Francisco in multiple capacities.

As the VP of Marketing and PR for one of the most successful restaurant groups in the City, Back of the House, Jacob Cross has proven to be a strong voice and advocate for the interests of business, and Jacob would approach the Task Force with the same level of dedication and responsibility.

Janet Griggs has years of experience with hospitality business in San Francisco, and would be an excellent appointee to the Task Force. She has the ability to provide thoughtful insight and leadership on key issues that will affect the City.

Tonic Nightlife Group's Duncan Ley is a smart, strategic innovator in the hospitality and nightlife space. His creative ideas and dedication to the industry, combined with his unparalleled experience, make him an ideal candidate for the Task Force.

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in different facets of the hospitality industry throughout her career. With a deep passion for the issue, Sabrina will bring the dedication and deep thought to the questions raised throughout the entire process.

Again, the Golden Gate Restaurant Association strongly recommends the above-mentioned individuals to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. As a leader in the hospitality community, we have worked on numerous issues with all the candidates mentioned, and we would be proud to have them representing tourism, hospitality, and business for the City of San Francisco.

Sincerely yours,

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Seat # or Category (If applicable): Seat 13,14,15 District: 10

Name: Janet W. Griggs

Home Address: Gypsy Hill Road, Pacifica, CA Zip: 94044

Home Phone: 415- Occupation: Business Owner

Work Phone: 415-550-6464 Employer: Tout Sweet Patisserie

Business Address: 3450 Third Street #4D, San Francisco, CA Zip: 94124

Business E-Mail: janet@tastecatering.com Home E-Mail: janet@

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I represent the professional women's point of view as a certified women-owned business owner. Approximately 60% of our full time employees are Hispanic and residents of the Mission.
I am born and raised in San Francisco and until July 2015, resided in San Francisco. My family settled in San Francisco in 1907, immigrating from Europe to help rebuild the then labor-starved post-quake City.
I attended Longfellow Elementary School, St. Michael's Elementary School, Mercy High School, earned a BA in Mathematics from Mills College and an MBA from Stanford Graduate School of Business.



**Business and/or professional experience:**

I have owned Taste Catering since 1992 and it is a certified woman-owned business and one of the largest companies serving the local hospitality industry. Our clients include Twitter, Google, Salesforce, HBO, etc. We employ over 500 people, 102 of which are full-time employees. My business partner, MeMe Pederson, and I have strong ties to the community having served on several local non-profit boards.

**Civic Activities:**

Currently, I am Treasurer of San Francisco Travel Association and serve on its Executive Committee. I also serve on the Public Policy Committee of the San Francisco Travel Association. I also served on the Board of Cuesa, the sponsor and operator of the Ferry Plaza Farmers Market--6 years of which were spent as Board President. Ms. Pederson and I, with Chef Yigit Pura, are also owners of Tout Sweet Patisserie, a local pastry company started in 2012.

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

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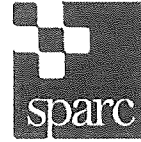
**Date:** 8/6/2015 **Applicant's Signature: (required)** Janet W. Griggs

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October 7, 2015  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
Re: Cannabis Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors,

I am a candidate for the San Francisco Cannabis Legalization Task Force writing to endorse Janet Grigg's candidacy for the Task Force as well.

I believe Janet's unique experience in the hospitality industry in addition to her business acumen will provide invaluable insight to this Task Force. Janet has owned Taste Catering since 1992, which is a certified woman-owned business and one of the largest companies serving the local hospitality industry. Her clients include Twitter, Google, Salesforce, HBO, and they employ over 500 people, 102 of which are full-time employees. This Task Force would be hard-pressed to find a more qualified candidate for the tourism and hospitality seats than Janet.

Not only is Janet an expert in San Francisco's tourism and hospitality industry, she routinely advises government agencies on some of the very same issues this Task Force will be addressing. For example, Janet currently serves as the Treasurer of San Francisco Travel Association and is also on the Public Policy Committee. Janet also served on the Board of Cuesa, the sponsor and operator of the Ferry Plaza Farmers Market--6 years of which were she spent as Board President.

I believe Janet's proven ability to provide expertise to multiple organizations will be an asset to this Task Force and the other candidates. As a candidate of the Task Force myself, I look forward to the prospect of working together with Janet on this very important chapter in San Francisco governance.

Sincerely,

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Erich Pearson  
SPARC - President

## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** dlavinsf@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 20, 2015 10:16 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Legalization Task Force

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**From:** dlavinsf <dlavinsf@aol.com>  
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Diane Lavin  
Diane Lavin Accounting  
42 Portola Dr.  
San Francisco, CA 94131

October 20, 2014  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
RE: Cannabis Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors:

I am writing to endorse Janet Grigg's candidacy for the San Francisco Cannabis Legalization Task Force. I have worked with Janet for over 20 years in the many businesses of which she has been a partner and managed, including Taste Catering (CFO), Restaurant Teatro Zinzanni and Tout Sweet. Her experience and expertise in the hospitality industry will bring a wealth of knowledge for the issues that affect San Francisco employers and employees.

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In the past, she served 6 years as President of Cuesa, the sponsor and operator of the City's Ferry Plaza Farmer's Market, giving her a unique experience in working with the farmers and understanding what it takes to bring a product to market. She also has an understanding and appreciation for sustainable agriculture.

Janet has built a reputation for being task oriented in a collaborative manner. She respects each person's point of view, while focusing on reaching a consensus for action. I cannot imagine a person more qualified to sit on the task force.

Sincerely,

Diane Lavin

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Seat # or Category (If applicable): 13 - Small Business, 19 - entertainment/nightlife District:

Name: Duncan Talento Ley

Home Address: Hyde St San Francisco, CA Zip: 94109

Home Phone: 415 Occupation: self employed

Work Phone: Employer:

Business Address: 2961 Mission St San Francisco, CA Zip: 94110

Business E-Mail: duncan@tngsf.com Home E-Mail: duncan.ley@

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I believe that engaged small businesses are the life blood of San Francisco's communities. As the owner of nine bar-restaurants in San Francisco, I am a highly active small business advocate for many diverse local communities from the Marina to the Castro to the Mission.
At Rebel, our popular LGBT nightclub and drag show space, I organized charity fundraisers with community leaders to raise tens of thousands of dollars fo Aids Lifecycle, the SF LGBT Center and countless other community non-profits. As the President of the Polk District Merchant Association, I worked alongside the Russian Hill Neighbors, Middle Polk Neighborhood Association and the SFMTA to find common ground to move the Polk Streetscape Project forward. Also, as a member of the Wells Fargo Community Advisory Board, I personally facilitated Wells Fargo's involvement with the Tenderloin Health Improvement Partnership which was instrumental in the programming success at Boeddeker Park.
I believe that these examples show my experience in bringing business and communities together to enact positive change in our neighborhoods, and I hope to do the same as a member of the Cannabis Taskfoce.



**Business and/or professional experience:**

Tonic 2360 Polk St - owner - September 2008 to present  
Bullitt 2209 Polk St - owner - December 2009 to present  
Tonic Nightlife Group - managing partner - January 2010 to present  
Rebel 1760 Market St - owner - January 2011 to September 2014  
Mayhem 2323 Mission St - owner - April 2011 to present  
Lightning Tavern 1875 Union St - owner - July 2012 to present  
Wild Hare - 2801 California St - owner - April 2013 to present  
Royal Tug Yacht Club - 895 Bush St - June 2013 to August 2014  
Civic Activities listed below are also relevant professional experience

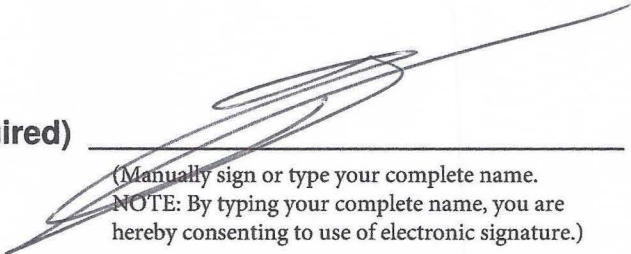
**Civic Activities:**

Polk District Merchant Association - President  
Union Street Association - Member  
Russian Hill Neighbors - Member  
St. Francis Foundation - Board Member  
Wells Fargo Community Advisory Board - Board Member  
Northern Station Community Police Advisory Board - Member  
California Music and Culture Association - Co-Chair

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

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Date: 8.24.15 Applicant's Signature: (required) \_\_\_\_\_

  
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Heklina  
Owner, SF Oasis  
298 11th St., San Francisco, CA 94103

August 20th, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing you to express my enthusiastic support for Duncan Ley for a seat on the upcoming San Francisco Cannabis Task Force, organized by City Hall. Simply put, there is no better candidate to represent small business or nightlife on this task force.

I worked with Duncan at his LGBT nightclub and drag show space, Rebel on Market St. for three years. In that time, I came to know him as a passionate advocate for local communities, a builder of bridges between different local actors and a fair and balanced person.

It is my understanding that the Cannabis Task Force will have the responsibility of advising the City on the best and most equitable way to prepare for increased, legal marijuana use and sale in San Francisco. Now as the owner and operator of my own small business, the nightclub, Oasis, in SOMA, I am adamant that Duncan Ley should have a seat on this task force to represent the interests of either nightlife or small business as a whole.

Sincerely,

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Heklina

**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Mitchell Bearg <mbearg@sbcglobal.net>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 03, 2015 10:58 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Cannabis Task Force

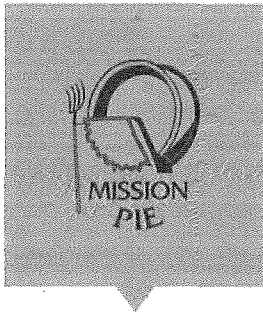
To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing you to express my support for Duncan Ley for a seat on the San Francisco Cannabis Task Force. He would be an excellent asset and a good representative for small business on this task force.

I have worked with Duncan as a fellow merchant on Polk St, dealing with many of the difficult issues facing our Neighborhood Commercial District. Duncan has proven to be extremely open to others viewpoints and able to work with groups and individuals that do not always see eye to eye. The ability to help people come to a consensus or compromise would be very beneficial on a task force such as this.

It is my understanding that the Cannabis Task Force will advise the City on the best and most equitable way to prepare for legal marijuana use and sale in San Francisco. As the owner and operator of my own small business I am confident that Duncan Ley would do an excellent job representing small business and be an asset to the city.

Sincerely,  
Mitchell Bearg  
Bow Wow Meow  
2150 Polk St  
San Francisco, CA. 94109



September 11, 2015

2901 Mission St  
San Francisco, Ca.94110

415.282.4PIE  
415.282.1500

eatpie@missionpie.com

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**San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
Rules Committee**

To Rules Committee Members,

I am writing you to express my enthusiastic support for Duncan Ley for a seat on the upcoming San Francisco Cannabis Task Force, organized by City Hall.

It is my understanding that the Cannabis Task Force will have the responsibility of advising the City on the best and most equitable way to prepare for the legalization of recreational marijuana use and sale in San Francisco. With his relevant experience in owning and managing bars and restaurants, and deep knowledge of alcohol and other relevant regulation, I can think of nobody who is more qualified than Duncan Ley to sit on this important Task Force.

I have worked with Duncan on several community issues and small business goals and needs in San Francisco during the last 3 years. I see Duncan as a rare optimistic realist, a believer in respectful process and ethical practice. Duncan is always aiming to get the best outcome while taking into account the full range of perspectives and factors bearing on an issue. He is fair-minded, and seems to naturally build bridges and gather others into productive dialogue and action.

As the owner and operator of my own small business, I strongly recommend Duncan Ley for a seat on this task force to represent the interests of small business as a whole.

Simply put, there is no better candidate to represent small business or nightlife on this the task force.

Sincerely,

Karen Heisler  
Co-owner

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## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Causey, Kevin - SFMH <Kevin.Causey@DignityHealth.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, September 21, 2015 11:34 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Cc:** Ley, Duncan - SFMH  
**Subject:** Duncan Ley

Supervisors Avalos, Tang & Cohen:

I am writing you to express my enthusiastic support for Duncan Ley for a seat on the upcoming San Francisco Cannabis Task Force, organized by City Hall. Simply put, there is no better candidate to represent small business or nightlife on this task force. I also know of few people that have more responsible passion for the well-being of our City.

I work with Duncan on a number of issues, as he is a member of the Foundation Board of Directors, and a member of the Board of the Saint Francis Foundation Associates (our young professionals support group). I have had the privilege of working with him for the past three years. In that time, I have come to know him as a passionate advocate for local communities, a builder of bridges between different local constituents, and a fair, balanced and hardworking person.

It is my understanding that the Cannabis Task Force will have the responsibility of advising the City on the best and most equitable way to prepare for legalized recreational marijuana use and sale in San Francisco. As a community leader I am very hopeful that Duncan Ley should have a seat on this task force to represent the interests of all members of our fair City.

Sincerely,

Kevin Causey

**saint+francis**  
FOUNDATION

Kevin Causey President  
900 Hyde Street / Suite 1208  
San Francisco CA 94109  
T 415-353-6654 / F 415-353-6653

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Samantha Higgins <samantha@ggra.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 09, 2015 2:03 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legalization Task Force Appointment Support Letter  
**Attachments:** GGRA\_SupportLetter.pdf

Derek,

Attached is GGRA's letter of support for the following candidates:

Jon Ballesteros  
Jacob Cross  
Janet Griggs  
Duncan Ley  
Sabrina Matlin

Let me know if you have any questions or need anything else from me.

Thanks!  
Samantha

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Samantha M. Higgins

Policy and Community Manager  
Golden Gate Restaurant Association  
220 Montgomery Street, Suite 990  
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December 10, 2015

Rules Committee  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
San Francisco City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Appointments, Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors Avalos, Tang, Cohen, and Wiener,

The Golden Gate Restaurant Association (GGRA) strongly supports the following candidates for the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force: Jon Ballesteros, Jacob Cross, Janet Griggs, Duncan Ley, and Sabrina Matlin.

Jon Ballesteros has been a leader in the Tourism and Hospitality Industry for many years. In his role as Vice President of Public Policy for San Francisco Travel, Jon has been the voice of the tourism industry, ensuring that the visitor experience is the very best for the City's guests. Additionally, Jon has been a tireless advocate for the jobs and economic impact that tourism brings to the City of San Francisco. He would bring a great deal of experience, leadership, and thought to the Task Force.

Furthermore, the GGRA recommends Jacob Cross, Janet Griggs, Duncan Ley, and Sabrina Matlin as appointees to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. The above candidates have all shown years of dedication to the City of San Francisco in multiple capacities.

As the VP of Marketing and PR for one of the most successful restaurant groups in the City, Back of the House, Jacob Cross has proven to be a strong voice and advocate for the interests of business, and Jacob would approach the Task Force with the same level of dedication and responsibility.

Janet Griggs has years of experience with hospitality business in San Francisco, and would be an excellent appointee to the Task Force. She has the ability to provide thoughtful insight and leadership on key issues that will affect the City.

Tonic Nightlife Group's Duncan Ley is a smart, strategic innovator in the hospitality and nightlife space. His creative ideas and dedication to the industry, combined with his unparalleled experience, make him an ideal candidate for the Task Force.

Lastly, Sabrina Matlin, currently the HR Manager for Bacchus Management Group, one of the top tier restaurant groups in the Bay Area, brings a ton of experience to the table, having worked

in different facets of the hospitality industry throughout her career. With a deep passion for the issue, Sabrina will bring the dedication and deep thought to the questions raised throughout the entire process.

Again, the Golden Gate Restaurant Association strongly recommends the above-mentioned individuals to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. As a leader in the hospitality community, we have worked on numerous issues with all the candidates mentioned, and we would be proud to have them representing tourism, hospitality, and business for the City of San Francisco.

Sincerely yours,

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Gwyneth Borden  
Executive Director



**Board of Supervisors**  
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## Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Owner of a small business in SF 13 District: SOMA

Name: David Hua

Home Address: ██████████ Union St, San Francisco CA Zip: 94133

Home Phone: (610) ██████████ Occupation: CEO and Co-Founder, Meadow Care

Work Phone: (610) 462-7333 Employer: Meadow Care

Business Address: 60 13th St, San Francisco CA Zip: 94103

Business E-Mail: hua@getmeadow.com Home E-Mail: hua.david@██████████

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

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My name is David Hua and I'm the CEO of software company Meadow Care. At Meadow, our mission is to make intelligent software to power efficiency and compliance across the legal cannabis supply chain, from seed to sale. We build for producers, distributors, physicians and patients. Our team is small but diverse and dynamic. Together we have partnered with a plethora of stakeholders throughout San Francisco and my job is to understand and represent their needs and interests.



**Business and/or professional experience:**

I have a diverse range of professional experience, including entrepreneurship, growth, marketing and management. I am currently the CEO and co-founder of Meadow Care. Prior to founding Meadow, I served as Head of Mobile Growth at Provide Commerce and Head of Platform at Sincerely.

I have also held the positions of: VP of Content at HealthCentral; Director of Blogger Relations at Wellsphere; Manager for the indie band Downtown Harvest; VP of Marketing at Genesis Interactive (a company I helped found in 2006); Sales and Trading Analyst at Citigroup.

**Civic Activities:**

Over the past 6 months, I've helped assemble a community of active stakeholders, advocates and thought leaders in the legal cannabis industry and hosted meet-ups for presentations, community gatherings, and discussions about legislation, compliance, and Best Practices.

This summer I participated in the SF Citi Youth Program for the fourth year in a row. We work closely with the SFPD and Police Chief Greg Suhr to place 2 interns at Meadow. We look forward to continuing to work with this program.

I am also active member of SOMA Bend Neighborhood Association.

Have you attended any meetings of the Board/Commission to which you wish appointment?

Yes  No

SF Cannabis Legalization Taskforce meeting on June 11

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: 09 / 24 / 2015

Applicant's Signature: (required)

David Hua

(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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Dear Board of Supervisors & City and County of San Francisco,

I'm writing to support David Hua's candidacy for a seat on the Cannabis Legalization Task Force. Hua's involvement as both a small business that partners with multiple stakeholders throughout the legal cannabis community and as a community organizer will bring valuable insight and perspective to the Task Force.

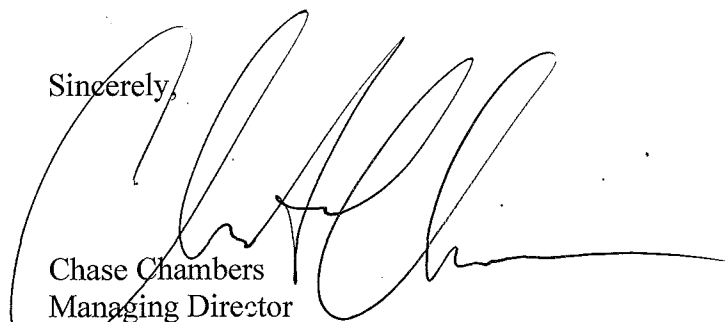
Hua currently serves as CEO and co-founder of Meadow Care, a technology start-up dedicated to creating intelligent software to power efficiency and compliance across the legal cannabis supply chain, from seed to sale. Hua has a diverse range of professional experience, with expertise in technology, entrepreneurship, growth, marketing and management. He has also worked extensively in health and wellness. Hua and Meadow Care have partnered with a diverse group of cannabis stakeholders throughout San Francisco – including producers, distributors, physicians and patients – and have made it his mission to understand and represent their needs and interests.

Hua brings a deep understanding of technology and how it can be incorporated to power efficiency and compliance across the legal cannabis supply chain. This expertise will be vital to the success of the Task Force as they build a modern framework for Adult Use cannabis legislation, regulation, and implementation in San Francisco. Hua is a key organizer in San Francisco's cannabis community. He has spent the past year organizing business owners, advocates, patients and other community stakeholders and hosting meet-ups for presentations, community gatherings, and discussions about legislation, compliance, and best practices. Hua has demonstrated an ability to create a forum where community members can be heard and take action, including:

- Growing a meet up of 8 cannabis entrepreneurs to a community of 450+ members.
- Creating a coalition of over 30 delivery services and provided a channel to voice their concerns to Assemblymen and legislators in Sacramento.
- Hosting over 50 events focused on education, building a community, and informing attendees on how to take action.

Hua will be instrumental in bringing this community-oriented perspective and approach to the Cannabis Legalization Task Force and making sure his diverse network of community stakeholders are informed and represented.

Sincerely,



Chase Chambers  
Managing Director  
The Apothecarium

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Holli Bert <holli@thegreencross.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 09, 2015 11:53 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Re: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Hearing - 12/10/15 - 10AM  
**Attachments:** CSLTF Letter of Support.pdf

Hi Derek,

Thank you for keeping us updated. Please find a letter of support from Kevin Reed for eight of the CSLTF applicants, to be shared with the Supervisors for tomorrow's Rules Committee Meeting. If you have any questions or concerns about this, please let me know.

Best regards,  
Holli

On Wed, Dec 9, 2015 at 10:57 AM, Evans, Derek <[derek.evans@sfgov.org](mailto:derek.evans@sfgov.org)> wrote:

Hello,

Thank you to all those who have responded confirming attendance at the meeting tomorrow. If you have not already responded, please do so today and confirm whether you will be in attendance.

Further, please forward any last-minute additions to your application by COB today, so I can ensure that the Supervisors get copies.

Thank you,

**Derek K. Evans**

Assistant Clerk, Board of Supervisors

1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, City Hall, Room 244

San Francisco, CA 94102

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December 9, 2015

Dear San Francisco Board of Supervisors,

I am writing today to support the following candidates for seats on the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force:

- Nicholas Smilgys
- Sarah Shrader
- Paul Anthony Camilleri
- Stewart Rhoads
- David Hua
- Barbara Fugate
- Laura Thomas
- Terrence Alan

I believe all these candidates would be valuable assets to the task force, bringing a wealth of experience and knowledge, and skill for resolute decision-making.

In my opinion, appointing the aforementioned applicants would lead to the overall success of the task force, benefiting the medical cannabis community as a whole.

In my 11+ years of owning and operating The Green Cross, I have had the pleasure of working with all these individuals in various capacities. I feel confident they would each be stellar additions to the task force and I hope you will strongly consider their appointments.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kevin Reed  
Founder & President  
The Green Cross



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

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Seat 13 District: 8

Name: Kelton Finney

Home Address: [Redacted] Noe Street Zip: 94114

Home Phone: 415-[Redacted] Occupation: Structural Engineer

Work Phone: 415-516-3569 Employer: Bonza Engineering

Business Address: 42 Otis Street, STE 4 Zip: 94103

Business E-Mail: kelton@bonzaengineering.cc Home E-Mail: kelton356@[Redacted]

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Check All That Apply:

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

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:**

I have been a San Francisco resident for 27 years. I currently live with my wife of 25 years in the building we own in the Castro District. We have lived in our current neighborhood for 17 years. I am white, 51 years old, female, and lesbian. I am an engineer and small business owner.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I am applying for seat 13, which is reserved for a small business owner. I am a structural engineer, and I own Bonza Engineering, Inc., which is located here in San Francisco. I started my business in 2011.

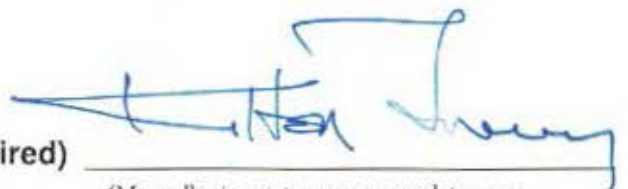
**Civic Activities:**

I have been active in local politics, serving on the board of directors for the Alice LGBT democratic club. Although I am not currently serving due to work demands, I remain active in the community and in local politics. During my tenure at Alice, I served on the PAC committee, and as PAC co-chair for the last two years that I served.

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: 10/1/15 Applicant's Signature: (required)



(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: cannabis state legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): #13, #14, #16, #17 #19 District: #5

Name: Alex Aquino

Home Address: Waller St. Zip: 94117

Home Phone: Occupation: business owner

Work Phone: 415-355-9152 Employer: Black Scale

Business Address: 1409 Haight St. Zip: 94117

Business E-Mail: Alex@black-scale.com Home E-Mail:

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Check All That Apply:

Registered voter in San Francisco: Yes [X] No [ ] If No, where registered:

Resident of San Francisco [X] 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:

I'm a San Francisco Native, born in 1970 at St. Lukes Hospital on Army St (now Cesar Chavez). My mother was a registered nurse there for 18+ years. I'm a proud Filipino who grew up in the mission. I've been a San Francisco business owner and entrepreneur for the last 20+ years. I am a current and active member in the community through various community groups. My extensive experience in business and deep roots in the community make me a highly qualified applicant for the various seats listed above.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

-Co-founder & COO of San Francisco based clothing brand Black Scale, 2008-current, 30-40 employees, 5 stores, (SF, NY, LA, Tokyo, Shanghai) SF location: opened on Grant Ave. & Geary then moved to new location on Haight & Masonic Ave.

-Co-founder of Ankh Marketing, San Francisco based events marketing and production company, 2005-current, Sr. Advisor and Lead on all major events, company won best club promoter 2015, SF NITEY Awards & nominated again for 2016. Involved in over 1,200 events to date.

**Civic Activities:**

-Board Member, Haight Ashbury Merchants Association 2014-current.  
-Member, Haight Ashbury Neighborhood Council 2014-current.  
Supporter and Consultant for Taking it to the Streets, Non-profit org on Haight St. hiring homeless individuals to clean the streets. Donated work-space to operate.

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:** nov 18th      **Applicant's Signature: (required)** Alex Aquino

(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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Recommendation Letter for Alex Aquino  
Cannabis State Legalization Task Force Applicant

Dec 8<sup>th</sup> 2015

To whom it may concern:

As a long time local business owner (Cha Cha Cha, circa 1984. parada22 2001), and property owner (1801 Haight street. 242 carl street), i would strongly recommend that Alex Aquino have a seat on this task force. given Alex's background and wide experience; as a fellow member on the HAMA board, life long residency in the Haight, music promoter, business owner, and family man, he brings with him lively intelligence and perspective that i think would be invaluable. I've had an opportunity to watch Alex deal with various issues that have come before the HAMA board, and i feel strongly that his reasoned, thoughtful approach would definitely be just as much of an asset on this task force as it has been for the HAMA board. Therefore, once again, i enthusiastically recommend Alex for this position.

Philip Bellber

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December 9, 2015

Board of Supervisors,

My name is Kent Uyehara, owner of FTC Skateboarding on Haight Street and lifetime City resident. I'm writing in support of Alex Aquino to be selected for a seat on SF's Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. I've know Alex for 20+ years and can confidently say that he'd be a great asset. He is a native San Franciscan who wears multiple "hats" as a partner in multiple businesses (retail store and nightlife industry), community activist and concerned resident. As a board member of the Haight Ashbury Merchants Association (HAMA) he has helped improve our neighborhood which continues today. Additionally, Alex is outgoing and personable always seeking cooperation with others while listening to all viewpoints on a given issue, a quality I find very important when dealing with how our city deals with cannibus legalization . He is very easy to work with as I know he would do if given this opportunity. Alex is acutely aware of the needs of all San Franciscans bringing a fair, level-headed approach to creating these needed regulations in the City. Please contact me if additional information or comments are needed. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kent Uyehara  
1632 Haight Street  
SF, CA 94117  
415-407-2208



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

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 13, 14 District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Henry Karnilowicz

Home Address: [REDACTED] 22nd St. San Francisco CA Zip: 94103

Home Phone: [REDACTED] Occupation: Contractor/permit consultant

Work Phone: 415. 621. 7533 Employer: Occidental Express

Business Address: 101a Howard St. San Francisco CA Zip: 94103

Business E-Mail: occeexp@aol.com Home E-Mail: [REDACTED]

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*I am the owner of a general contracting and permit consulting business for over forty years. For over ten years I have been president of the South of Market Business Association and for the past three years I have been president of the San Francisco Council of District Merchants Associations.*







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

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Fo

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Seat 13, Small Business Owner District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: William Carl White

Home Address: █ Berry Street, █, San Francisco, CA Zip: 94158

Home Phone: █ Occupation: Attorney (SBN: 271741)

Work Phone: (415) 322-3330 Employer: Solo Practitioner/ Self-Employed

Business Address: 660 4th Street, #265, San Francisco, CA Zip: 94107

Business E-Mail: mail@willwhitelaw.com Home E-Mail: █

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To qualify for appointment to seat 13, the candidate must be a small business owner. I have operated my own law office for the past 5 years. The main focus of my practice is post-conviction relief for noncitizens facing adverse immigration consequences as a result of criminal convictions (e.g. removal, denial of naturalization, etc.). I also provide legal research and writing services to criminal defense attorneys. The majority of defendants have been charged with crimes involving controlled substances. I have small business law experience focused on bars, clubs, and restaurants (e.g. business formation, contracts, leases, permitting, ABC licensing, etc.). Prior to practicing law, I worked for small businesses in the San Francisco entertainment & nightlife industry.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

Please see attached resume.

**Civic Activities:**

I volunteered in the office of former Board of Supervisors member Matt Gonzalez (approx. 6 months in 2001)

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

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Date: 12/04/15 Applicant's Signature: (required) William Carl White

(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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## William Carl White

San Francisco, California 94158

Phone: [REDACTED]  
willwhite@willwhitelaw.com

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### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

**Attorney (Self Employed)**

December 2010 – Present

**Law Office of William Carl White, San Francisco, CA**

Post-conviction relief for noncitizens facing adverse immigration consequences as a result of criminal convictions (e.g. removal, denial of naturalization, etc.); Legal research & writing services (criminal defense); Post-conviction relief.

**Attorney (Independent Contractor) [Law Clerk (02/08 – 11/10)]**

December 2010 – Present

**Law Office of Steve Emery Teich, San Francisco, CA**

Legal research, motion drafting, and defense consultation for criminal defense attorney Steve Teich.

**Attorney (Independent Contractor)**

January 2011 – September 2012

**Law Office of Mark E. Rennie, San Francisco, CA**

Business law with a focus on restaurants, bars, and nightclubs. I assisted Mr. Rennie in areas including business formation, California Alcoholic Beverage Control licensing, licensing and permitting by the city & county of San Francisco, purchase & sale of small businesses, commercial lease negotiations, and defense against accusations of liquor license violations brought by Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control.

**Ticketing Manager/Business Development/Legal Affairs**

October 2003 – April 2010

**Slim's/Great American Music Hall, San Francisco, CA**

Numerous positions and responsibilities over course of employment at live music venues. Various positions and responsibilities included day box office, managing ticketing operations, bookkeeping, business development, industry relations, and legal affairs.

### ADMISSIONS

California State Bar, December 1, 2010, State Bar No. 271741

United States District Court for the State of California, Northern District, December 12, 2011

United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit, January 20, 2011

### EDUCATION

**San Francisco Law School – San Francisco, CA**

Juris Doctor, June 2010 (Graduated Third in Class)

**San Francisco State University – San Francisco, CA**

Music/Recording Industry Certificate, May 2005

**Indiana University – Bloomington, IN**

Bachelor of Arts in General Studies with Minor in Religious Studies, December 1997

### LAW SCHOOL HONORS

Dean's List - 2008-2009

Tyler Moot Court - Best Oral Argument - Third Place, 2008-2009

Eric A. Falconer & Leon and Ester Blum Memorial Scholarship - Third in Class, 2008-2009; 2007-2008

Eric A. Falconer & Leon and Ester Blum Memorial Scholarship - Second in Class, 2006-2007



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

Medical Cannabis Task Force

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

Seat # or Category (If applicable): #16 & 17 also: #14 \_\_\_\_\_ District: 8 \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Brian A. Wallace \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Hyde St Unit \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: 94109 \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: 415- \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: Accountant \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: Same \_\_\_\_\_ Employer: Ponce and Assoc \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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Being a black man that lives in Nob Hill San Francisco has allowed me a unique perspective. On one hand there are a lot of unique ideas and perspectives to add to the groups I am involved with. On the other hand sometimes I feel my perspective is not realized by other members until I fully explain my reasoning.

While I share the demographic of being a 30 something year old that is upwardly mobile I have also lived in district 1 (the inner richmond) for 2+ years I have seen the different needs throughout the city. I have a great ability to see the perspective of those from other demographics. I have consistently integrated the cultures I live in with my core values. This means I am superube at pivoting between groups, all while being liked. I can transition from a Chinese Democratic Club meeting to a Grace Cathedral Leader meeting with ease.

Working with the groups mentioned above means I actively seek feedback from everyone in



**Business and/or professional experience:**

Throughout my professional career I have sought to work on a team to gain trust and achieve pragmatic goals. I also love pairing my people skills with my analytical skills. Paperwork and administrative tasks are part of any organization, and I have chosen a career path that fosters and develops these skills.

I am looking to combine my skills of reading and interpreting information to being able to explain and teach others. Throughout my career I have been able to take very complex information and whittle it down to a pragmatic and digestible format. The groups I have been interested in have taught me a lot about gaining trust and coming up with reasonable

**Civic Activities:**

Board of Directors & Co-Treasurer Middle Polk Neighborhood Association  
Friend of Safety Awareness For Everybody (SAFE) Neighborhood Watch  
Friend of Chinese American Democratic Club  
Member of Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB)  
Treasurer Men Of Grace, Grace Cathedral  
Congregation Council Grace Cathedral

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

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Date: Sept. 25 2015 Applicant's Signature: (required) Brian Anthony Wallace

(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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To: Cannabis Oversight Task Force  
TO: Alisa Somera (alisa.somera@sfgov.org)  
September. 25 2015

From: Brian Wallace  
[REDACTED] Hyde St Unit [REDACTED]  
San Francisco Ca 94109

*Since I was unable to show all of the verbiage in the application I wanted to show you what was written in its entirety.*

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Working with the groups mentioned above means I actively seek feedback from everyone in the group. It also means I have to understand the community and work with them to achieve goals. I am looking to add to my community for the embetterment of all those around.

Having served on the Board of The Middle Polk Neighborhood Association for several years it has afforded me opportunities to meet and work with some of San Francisco's influencers. Navigating the different departments and influencers can be an arduous

exercise in agility. My ability to communicate my perspective as well as my ability to pivot between groups makes me qualified to represent the communities of interest.

**Education:**

Thomas S. Wootton HS Rockville MD 1997-1999  
The Ohio State University BS Financial Management 1999-2006  
Golden Gate University MS Taxation 2009-2011  
Certified Public Bookkeeper 2007-2014

**Business and/or professional experience:**

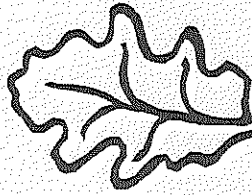
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I am looking to combine my skills of reading and interpreting information to being able to explain and teach others. Throughout my career I have been able to take very complex information and whittle it down to a pragmatic and digestible format. The groups I have been interested in have taught me a lot about gaining trust and coming up with reasonable outcomes.

I am looking to do the same for the Cannabis Task Force here in San Francisco. I am looking forward to explaining research and findings to the board. I am looking forward to meeting entrants to the industry and finding the pulse of the community. I take pride in doing community work on a local level.

**Civic Activities:**

Board of Directors & Co-Treasurer Middle Polk Neighborhood Association  
Friend of Safety Awareness For Everybody (SAFE) Neighborhood Watch  
Friend of Chinese American Democratic Club  
Member of Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB)  
Treasurer Men Of Grace, Grace Cathedral  
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September 12, 2015

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Lauren McCombs  
Theresa Nagle  
Susan Pierpoint  
Tom Power  
Sean Swift*

## **Honorary Member**

*Lloyd W. Aubry*

Brian Wallace  
1325 Hyde Street Unit 4  
San Francisco, CA 94109

Dear Brian,

Thank you for your thoughtful gift of volunteer work at The Bishop's Ranch August 7-9, chipping fallen wood, trimming the rose hedge and freezing corn from our vegetable garden. We are grateful for your support of this gathering place as it fulfills its role providing renewal and refreshment for many people.

The Bishop's Ranch continues to be a place of reflection and human connection utilized by many groups throughout the year. Guests gather around a fireplace, watch the fog roll away across the Russian River Valley as the sun rises, or talk together about the future and find an invaluable resource at the Ranch: renewal. Increasing numbers of people are discovering firsthand the beauty of the 340 acres surrounding the Ranch. The thousands of guests who visit here each year praise the comfortable buildings, the delicious food and the beauty of the property. Thank you again for helping to support renewal in people's lives through The Bishop's Ranch.

Sincerely,

Sean Swift  
Executive Director

*Thanks so much  
It was a big help and  
great to see you. S.*

We thought you might want to know that some generous supporters offered matching funds for new gifts or for increased giving to the Annual Fund. If you know someone who enjoys the Ranch who might be inspired by a matching gift, please let them know about this opportunity. We respectfully mention that the amount of increase over last year's Annual Fund gift will also be matched.

*Please note: Donor names are published alphabetically without dollar amounts in the Ranch newsletter, "Coming Home". If you do not wish your name to be listed, please inform us. Your donation is fully tax deductible. Our tax ID number is 68-0098783. We strongly recommend that you keep this acknowledgment letter with your tax records. The IRS says: "...it is the donor's responsibility to obtain the acknowledgment from the charity and to prove that the acknowledgment was obtained by the due date." and "A taxpayer can no longer rely solely on a canceled check to substantiate a cash contribution of \$250 or more." No material goods or services were provided to you by The Bishop's Ranch in return for this contribution.*

**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Brian Wallace <bwsfwallace@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 25, 2015 9:56 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Support Letter for Brian Wallace, Applicant for the Cannabis Club Oversight Task Force - DRAFT

Date: September 24, 2015

RE: Support Letter for the Application of **Brian Wallace**, 1325 Hyde Street Unit 4, San Francisco, CA 94109 to serve on the Cannabis Oversight Task Force

TO: Alisa Somera ([alisa.somera@sfgov.org](mailto:alisa.somera@sfgov.org))

FROM: Bayard Fong, 311 Montcalm Street, San Francisco CA, 94110, SF Native, married with 3 children 26,25, and 22.

Employed with the SF Human Rights Commission, 29 years, and 2 years with the Contract Monitoring Division, GSA.

Contract Compliance Officer, Implement Chapter 12B, (Equal Opportunity and Non-discrimination in Employment) and

Chapter 14B Equal Opportunity and Non-Discrimination for Small Local Businesses and City Contracting).

I have known Brian Wallace for the past 5 years. He was my fathers neighbor when my dad lived at 1325 Hyde Street. He use to check in on my dad and was not only friendly, but helpful. The is the good neighbor type guy. He's has invited me to join in his organization and causes and so have I in return. We've been active in neighborhood organizations, the Chinese American Democratic Club, Candidates that have run for the Board of Education for SF, Brian is interested in seeing that San Francisco has "Quality Schools in Every Neighborhood", a strong community college system, good public education College and University opportunities for all and wants to support educators that want to do the same. He believes in community participation, family, seniors, children, and newcomers. He also supports the celebration of diversity and culture in San Francisco, probably one of the most diverse cities in the whole world.

I believe Brian, would be a great asset to your Task Force. He will bring a level head, he is a good listener and wants San Francisco to be and continue one of the best places to live. His energy, follow-up, and tenacity will be an asset, as well as his ability to support and to lead.

If you have any questions, that I may be of help to expand or clarify about Brian, please don't hesitate to call me at 415 672-9015.

Your thoughtful consideration of Brian Wallace will be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Bayard Fong, 311 Montcalm Street, SF 94110, graduate of St. Mary Chinese Mission,  
Galileo High School, City College, UC Berkeley.

415 672-9015

**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Brian Wallace <bwsfwallace@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, September 25, 2015 9:57 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Cannabis Task Force

To Whom it May Concern,

Please accept this email as a recommendation for Brian Wallace to be a representative on your Cannabis Task Force. I have know Brian for the past three years as he has been a member of my Community Police Advisory Board (CPAB) at Northern Police Station. In that capacity, Brian has represented the Middle Polk Neighborhood Association as the liaison between the community and the Police Department. During my interactions with Brian he has shown to be an engaged, informative, and collaborative member of the community with interest in the safety and well being of the community he represents. In addition, Brian lives in a community where the use of Cannabis is often seen which affords Brian a unique perspective that can be useful in a task force such as yours. It is for these reasons and Brian's commitment to the community that I give you my recommendation for Brian to participate as a representative on your Cannabis Task Force. Should you have any other questions feel free to contact me at anytime.

Sincerely,

***Captain Greg McEachern***

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***Commanding Officer  
Northern Police Station  
Office: (415) 614-3400  
FBINA 239***



October 23, 2015

Brian Wallace  
1325 Hyde St Apt 4  
San Francisco, CA 94109

Dear Brian,

Thank you for your attendance and participation at the Shared Schoolyard kick-off event at Spring Valley Elementary School on Saturday, October 17.

I hope that you stay involved with our effort. The success of the Shared Schoolyard Project depends on the participation of neighbors like you. Thank you for joining us and our community partners in the pursuit of having a safe, clean place to play within walking distance of every child and family in San Francisco.

You can check for other schoolyards that are being opened around the city, more schoolyard events in your neighborhood, or sign up for project updates at [www.SFSharedSchoolyard.org](http://www.SFSharedSchoolyard.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mark E. Farrell".

Supervisor Mark E. Farrell  
District 2  
City and County of San Francisco

A handwritten note in cursive script that says "Thank you!".



**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Beverly Popek <bhpopek@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 24, 2015 10:02 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Recommendation for Brian Wallace for the Cannabis Task Force

To Whom It May Concern:

I met Brian Wallace through the Middle Polk Neighborhood Association during my time running for the school board in 2012. His civic spirit brings energy and follow-through to the table.

Brian is a dedicated and engaged citizen. He understands the importance of being involved in the surrounding community and would bring leadership and sensibility to any organization he joins. I highly recommend Brian Wallace to the Cannabis Task Force.

Regards,

Beverly Popek

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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 14 District:

Name: Jacob Cross

Home Address: Webster Zip: 94117

Home Phone: Occupation: Vp Marketing & PR

Work Phone: 415-269-6696 Employer: Back of the House Inc.

Business Address: 1829 Union St Zip: 94123

Business E-Mail: jacob@backofthehouseinc.com Home E-Mail:

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I'm the Vice President of Marketing and Public Relations for the group that owns 18 different Bay Area restaurants. In my role, I work with neighboring businesses to understand their impact on our restaurants, explore potential partnerships and leverage insight to better attract the clientele we want in each of our locations.
The impact of cannabis is something we are interested in given we have locations in the following neighborhoods: Mission, Castro, Hayes Valley, Cow Hollow, Marina, Union Square, Financial District, and Downtown.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I oversee all the marketing, public relations, and branding for each property we own. In addition, I'm responsible for partnership outreach and have also worked closely with the neighborhood organizations and associations to further the overall visitor traffic to each neighborhood while maintaining the balance for residents. I've worked with retailers, other restaurants, and real estate developers to ensure we our enriching each neighborhood and adding value through our involvement.

**Civic Activities:**

Volunteer work includes:  
Up On Top  
Glide Church  
The Cooking Project  
LGBT Center

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

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Date: 12-4-15 Applicant's Signature: (required) Jacob Cross

(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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From the Desk of

**Brent Tippen**

December 7, 2015

San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
1 Carlton B Goodlett Place, Ste 244  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Dear Supervisors,

As a registered California voter and someone who lives and votes in San Francisco, I am contacting you as a personal reference for Jacob Cross for the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. Through my personal experiences, I know first-hand that Jacob is trustworthy, fair and hard working.

As California and more specifically, San Francisco consider the legalization of marijuana we need honest, fair and nonbiased people to further explore the implications, both positive and negative, this would have on our community. Having known Jacob for over seven years I have witnessed his character first hand and have experienced his articulate points of view on many subjects. I believe he would be a major asset to this Task Force to help San Francisco evaluate all situations that could arise from this potential legalization.

I find Jacob to be honest and composed at all times. As a friend I'm sure you can imagine that some subjects require full honesty to gain trust, even when you may not want to hear it. What I think sets him apart from others is that once the facts are on the table he is always willing to talk through alternatives and problem solve to help create the best outcome possible. He is passionate and caring, while also fair and levelheaded.

I have included my contact information should you like to speak with me further. Again, thank you for the opportunity to provide this recommendation for Jacob. I look forward to your response and will be monitoring the progress of this Task Force.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Brent Tippen".

Brent Tippen

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**442A Fell Street, San Francisco CA 94102**  
**415-672-8525**  
**Brent.Tippen@gmail.com**  
**Twitter: @brenttippen**

## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Samantha Higgins <samantha@ggra.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 09, 2015 2:03 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legalization Task Force Appointment Support Letter  
**Attachments:** GGRA\_SupportLetter.pdf

Derek,

Attached is GGRA's letter of support for the following candidates:

Jon Ballesteros  
Jacob Cross  
Janet Griggs  
Duncan Ley  
Sabrina Matlin

Let me know if you have any questions or need anything else from me.

Thanks!  
Samantha

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Samantha M. Higgins

Policy and Community Manager  
Golden Gate Restaurant Association  
220 Montgomery Street, Suite 990  
San Francisco, CA 94104  
p (415) 781-5349  
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@samanthamaryyy

SAVE THE DATE: [Eat Drink SF](#) August 25-28, 2016



December 10, 2015

Rules Committee  
San Francisco Board of Supervisors  
San Francisco City Hall  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Re: Appointments, Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Dear Supervisors Avalos, Tang, Cohen, and Wiener,

The Golden Gate Restaurant Association (GGRA) strongly supports the following candidates for the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force: Jon Ballesteros, Jacob Cross, Janet Griggs, Duncan Ley, and Sabrina Matlin.

Jon Ballesteros has been a leader in the Tourism and Hospitality Industry for many years. In his role as Vice President of Public Policy for San Francisco Travel, Jon has been the voice of the tourism industry, ensuring that the visitor experience is the very best for the City's guests. Additionally, Jon has been a tireless advocate for the jobs and economic impact that tourism brings to the City of San Francisco. He would bring a great deal of experience, leadership, and thought to the Task Force.

Furthermore, the GGRA recommends Jacob Cross, Janet Griggs, Duncan Ley, and Sabrina Matlin as appointees to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. The above candidates have all shown years of dedication to the City of San Francisco in multiple capacities.

As the VP of Marketing and PR for one of the most successful restaurant groups in the City, Back of the House, Jacob Cross has proven to be a strong voice and advocate for the interests of business, and Jacob would approach the Task Force with the same level of dedication and responsibility.

Janet Griggs has years of experience with hospitality business in San Francisco, and would be an excellent appointee to the Task Force. She has the ability to provide thoughtful insight and leadership on key issues that will affect the City.

Tonic Nightlife Group's Duncan Ley is a smart, strategic innovator in the hospitality and nightlife space. His creative ideas and dedication to the industry, combined with his unparalleled experience, make him an ideal candidate for the Task Force.

Lastly, Sabrina Matlin, currently the HR Manager for Bacchus Management Group, one of the top tier restaurant groups in the Bay Area, brings a ton of experience to the table, having worked

in different facets of the hospitality industry throughout her career. With a deep passion for the issue, Sabrina will bring the dedication and deep thought to the questions raised throughout the entire process.

Again, the Golden Gate Restaurant Association strongly recommends the above-mentioned individuals to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. As a leader in the hospitality community, we have worked on numerous issues with all the candidates mentioned, and we would be proud to have them representing tourism, hospitality, and business for the City of San Francisco.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Gwyneth Borden', with a stylized, looped initial 'G' and a long, sweeping tail.

Gwyneth Borden  
Executive Director

# **BACKOFTHEHOUSE**

1829 Union Street  
San Francisco, CA 94123

December, 7<sup>th</sup> 2015

Board of Supervisors:

Back of House, Inc. has had the privilege of employing Jacob Cross in the role of Vice President of Marketing and Public Relations. During his continuing tenure, he has played a vital role in the promotion and growth of our numerous concepts throughout San Francisco and the surrounding area. His attention to detail is impeccable, facilitated through the anticipation and preparation for a multitude of scenarios, including those outside of his direct responsibilities whether it be operational support or financial implications. However, it is his unmatched knowledge of the community, culture, and customer that has given Back of House an advantage in the restaurant industry and more specifically each of our brands in their respective verticals. With an impressive combination of both strategic vision and roll-up-your-sleeves tactical execution, Jacob is a rare breed that has proved invaluable. We have no doubt that regardless of what industry he contributes to, he will bring his tenacious enthusiasm, his passionate pursuit to acquire expertise, and his holistic, multi-faceted approach to any endeavor.

Let this letter convey our support for Jacob Cross for the seat on the State Cannabis Taskforce. I am sure the board will find that any research, insight, or recommendations are articulated in a robust, yet impartial fashion that is grounded in a deep learning and outreach.

Edmonodo Sarti  
Owner and Co-Founder

Adriano Paganini  
Owner and Co-Founder



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December 9, 2015

To Whom it May Concern:

As an entrepreneur for over 10 years in San Francisco, I have had the privilege to work with countless local 3<sup>rd</sup> party partners, external vendors, neighborhood organizations, and of course talented employees of my firm. One such resource was Jacob Cross who helped forge and maintain many of those relationships. With the breadth of clients that AF&Co served, Jacob was tasked with understanding complex projects, the origin of such complexity often stemmed from identifying the nuances associated with the locales of each development. For instance, Jasper's Corner Tap and Kitchen, a concept in the Tenderloin was conceived and executed to balance the tourist crowds exploring Union Square while acknowledging the area's history as a marginalized community, all the while embracing the pockets of revitalization. The scope was not limited to developing appropriate concepts, but entailed an exhaustive register of administrative and bureaucratic legwork to ensure the client was a welcome addition to the neighborhood that filled a civic void, abided by regulatory policies, and represented a constructive springboard for continued growth. After his employment with my firm Jacob has continued to work not only indirectly with me, but many of the organizations, proving his ability to strengthen and continue relationships regardless of his role or company.

Having served in a past or present role on the board of Meals on Wheels San Francisco, Dress for Success San Francisco, The Richmond Ermet AIDS Foundation, the San Francisco Convention & Visitors Bureau and the Anti-Defamation League, I have a first-hand awareness of the responsibilities that board members are challenged with. I have the deepest faith that if Jacob is appointed to the State Cannibus Taskforce, he will serve dutifully and diligently in such a capacity, reflecting the same outstanding qualities and strong relationships he continues to build.

Sincerely,

Andrew Freeman  
President

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# YerbaBuena

ALLIANCE

December 9, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

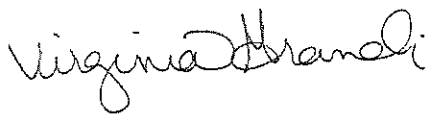
I am writing a letter of recommendation for Jacob Cross to sit on a task force that will look at cannabis regulation in the City of San Francisco if legalization should occur.

I am the Executive Director of the Yerba Buena Alliance, a neighborhood organization for the Yerba Buena neighborhood. The Alliance is comprised of members who represent the stakeholders of the Yerba Buena Gardens which include hotels, restaurants, Retail, residential and cultural organizations, including major businesses and museums. The Alliance works closely with the down town San Francisco neighborhoods.

I have worked with Jacob in the capacity of getting a neighborhood meeting presenter for our October meeting we held at the Contemporary Jewish Museum. Delarosa restaurant opened in Yerba Buena Lane and I worked with Jacob to welcome them to the neighborhood and to introduce the management and owners to the neighborhood stakeholders. Through these positive interactions and further discussing Jacob's interest to step up and lead and serve the citizens of San Francisco, I can recommend him for a position on a task force.

If you have any questions, please contact [Virginia@yerbabuena.org](mailto:Virginia@yerbabuena.org) or call (415)541-0312.

Thank you,



Virginia Grandi  
Executive Director



**Board of Supervisors  
City and County of San Francisco  
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(415) 554-5184 FAX (415) 554-7714**

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

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

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 18 or 21 District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: Nikolas P. Lemos, PhD, FRSC, F-ABFT

Home Address: ██████████ Castro Street, San Francisco California Zip: 94114

Home Phone: 415 ██████████ Occupation: Chief Forensic Toxicologist

Work Phone: 415 553-9009 Employer: City and County of San Francisco

Business Address: Forensic Lab Division, Office of Chief Medical Examiner, 850 Bryant Street Zip: 94103

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**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:

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

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:**

I am an immigrant gay forensic toxicologist living in the Castro and working in SoMa. I have been the first out-gay chief forensic toxicologist in the USA and in San Francisco. I am socially, professionally and personally connected to San Franciscans who rely on cannabis as medicine and those who enjoy its recreational aspects as well. I run the Diversity and Inclusion Group of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences (presence on AAFS and Facebook) and I also run a Facebook page advocating change in the American currency in order to enable all of us (even those with visual or other disability) to be able to use it (FB: We, The People Demand Modern, Secure, Accessible Currency for the USA). Finally, in recent years, I have promoted the values of San Francisco on the national and international stage as Lady Libearty (FB: Lady Libearty).

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I am an internationally-educated, award-winning, board-certified forensic toxicologist with experience spanning more than 15 years specializing in alcohol and drug toxicology, drug-drug interactions and drug effects on humans. I work as the City and County's Chief Forensic Toxicologist since 2003. I am also Full Clinical Professor at UCSF's School of Medicine and I have testified more than 300 times as expert on behalf of public defenders and district attorneys in county, state, federal and international courts. I have published numerous peer-reviewed papers including several on cannabis in forensic toxicology and have consulted on the needed safety for food products and medicines containing cannabis which the Federal government doesn't regulate given its antiquated approach to cannabis. In 2005, I received a proclamation from the 109th US Congress for my 'prestigious involvement in crime investigation' and for 'dedicating my life and career to community safety and social awareness.'

**Civic Activities:**

I am a very active member of the LGBT and Bear Communities of San Francisco (both as Nikolas Lemos and as Lady Liberty) and I have worked extensively on substance abuse, suicide prevention, overdose prevention and many other matters of public health in San Francisco since I was recruited to move here from London in 2003. I have served on our Methamphetamine Task Force and I have advised former political and other appointees on the drug incidence in San Francisco including on cases of DUIs, Date Rapes, Fatal Drug Overdoses and other Toxic manifestations.

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: 08/05/2015 Applicant's Signature: (required) NIKOLAS P. LEMOS

(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: \_\_\_\_\_

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Curriculum Vitae  
August 2015

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## CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

- 2003 – Chief Forensic Toxicologist  
Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, City and County of San Francisco
- 2005 – Director, ABFT-Accredited Forensic Laboratory Division  
Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, City and County of San Francisco
- 2011 – Professor (Clinical)  
Department of Laboratory Medicine, School of Medicine, University of California, San Francisco

## BOARD CERTIFICATIONS

- 2014 – Fellow – American Board of Forensic Toxicology
- 2011 – 2014 Diplomate – American Board of Forensic Toxicology

## EDUCATION

- 1999 Ph.D., Forensic Medicine and Science (Forensic and Analytical Toxicology)  
University of Glasgow, Scotland, UK  
Thesis: *Analysis of Bile and Nail as Alternative Biological Specimens in Forensic Toxicology*  
Supervisor: Dr. Robert A. Anderson
- 1996 M.S., Forensic Science (Criminalistics & Forensic Toxicology)  
John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York, New York, NY, USA  
Thesis: *Biliary Excretions of Alcohols*  
Supervisor: Dr. Arvind K. Agarwal, PhD
- 1993 B.S., Criminalistics/Forensic Chemistry  
State University of New York – College at Buffalo, Buffalo, NY, USA

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- 2006 – 2011 Associate Professor (Clinical)  
Department of Laboratory Medicine, School of Medicine, University of California, San Francisco
- 2002 – 2003 Head  
Forensic Toxicology Service, St George's Hospital Medical School, University of London
- 2001 – 2003 Director of Research, Training & Education  
Centre for International Forensic Assistance, University of Glasgow
- 1999 – 2001 Senior Lecturer in Forensic Science  
School of Applied Science, London South Bank University
- 1994 – 1996 Lecturer (Adjunct) in Forensic Science  
Department of Science, John Jay College of Criminal Justice, City University of New York
- 1993 Intern  
Forensic Laboratory, Niagara County Sheriff's Department

## **PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS**

- 2011 – Custodian of Records – State of California
- 2004 – Forensic Alcohol Supervisor – State of California
- 2003 – Breath Test Operator – State of California
- 2003 – 2004 Forensic Alcohol Analyst – State of California
- 2003 – 2004 Forensic Alcohol Analyst Trainee – State of California

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Pharmacology and Toxicology of Cannabis

Characterisation of postmortem redistribution (PMR) and postmortem interval (PMI) in Forensic Toxicology

The evaluation of keratinous biological matrices in the determination of past substance exposure

Oral Fluid in Driving Under the Influence Forensic Toxicology Investigations

Development and validation of analytical methodologies for the detection and quantitation of alcohol, drugs and other substances in toxicology-related specimens

The application of LC/MS/MS to Forensic Science

Epidemiology in Forensic Toxicology

Drug testing and interpretation in alleged sexual assault cases

Development and implementation of online and distance teaching and learning techniques in Forensic Science

## **AWARDS**

- 2014 American Association of Clinical Chemistry – Outstanding Speaker Award
- 2009 American Association of Clinical Chemistry – Outstanding Speaker Award
- 2005 American Association of Clinical Chemistry – Outstanding Speaker Award
- 2005 109<sup>th</sup> Congress of the United States of America – Proclamation of Achievement
- 2005 State University of New York – College at Buffalo: Young Alumnus Achievement Award
- 2000 London South Bank University – School of Applied Sciences Award
- 1995 Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists – Scholarship Award
- 1993 Chemcon Associates Inc. – Achievement Award

**GRANTS**

- 2014 Committee on Information Technology – San Francisco OCME LIMS Phase II Grant
- 2010 California Emergency Management Agency – Paul Coverdell Federal Grant
- 2007 National Institute of Justice – Paul Coverdell Federal Grant
- 2005 National Institute of Justice – Paul Coverdell Federal Grant
- 2004 Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) – Travel Grant
- 2002 The Royal Society – Parliamentary Grant
- 2001 The Royal Society – Conference Grant
- 2000 London South Bank University – Course Development Grant
- 1999 Royal Society of Chemistry (Analytical Division) – Conference Grant

**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION FELLOWSHIPS & MEMBERSHIPS**

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|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| Fellow           | Royal Society of Chemistry                              |
| Fellow           | American Academy of Forensic Sciences                   |
| Member           | American Society of Crime Laboratory Directors          |
| Member           | American Chemical Society                               |
| Member           | California Association of Criminalists                  |
| Member           | California Association of Crime Laboratory Directors    |
| Member           | California Association of Toxicologists                 |
| Member           | Society of Forensic Toxicologists                       |
| Member           | British Academy of Forensic Sciences                    |
| Member           | The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists |
| Member           | London Toxicology Group                                 |
| Affiliate Member | National Association of Medical Examiners               |
| Associate Member | National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers        |

**INVITED MEMBERSHIP OF EXAMINATION BOARDS & EXTERNAL EXAMINERSHIPS**

- 2013 Judge, Emerging Forensic Scientist Award  
American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Washington, DC, USA
- 2012 Judge, Emerging Forensic Scientist Award  
American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

- 2002 – Examiner, Diploma in Forensic Human Identification (DipFHID)  
The Worshipful Society of Apothecaries of London, London, UK
- 2001 – 2011 Examiner, Diploma in Forensic Medical Sciences (DipFMS)  
The Worshipful Society of Apothecaries of London, London, UK
- 2007 Judge, Emerging Forensic Scientist Award  
American Academy of Forensic Sciences, San Antonio, Texas, USA
- 2003 Doctoral Student Assessor, Doctoral Candidates in Forensic Science  
Anglia Polytechnic University, Cambridge, UK
- 2002 – 2003 Examiner, Year Four Objective Structured Clinical Examination (OSCE)  
St George's Hospital Medical School, University of London, London, UK

### COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIPS

- 2015 – Member, Alcohol and Drug Impaired Vertical Prosecution Program  
Office of Traffic Safety, State of California
- 2014 – Chair, ad hoc Committee on Forensic Toxicology  
National Association of Medical Examiners
- 2014 Member, International Scientific Committee  
52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists  
Buenos Aires, Argentina
- 2014 – Chair, Ethics Committee  
California Association of Toxicologists
- 2014 – Member, Special Committee on Academic Advancement in Biochemistry & Toxicology  
School of Health Sciences, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece
- 2013 – Member, Social Media Committee  
The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists
- 2013 Member, International Scientific Committee  
51<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists  
Funchal, Madeira, Portugal
- 2013 Member, ad hoc Committee on Forensic Toxicology  
National Association of Medical Examiners
- 2012 – Member, Ethics Committee  
The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists
- 2012 – Member, Committee on Human Research  
University of California, San Francisco
- 2012 – Member, 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting Organising Committee  
The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists
- 2011 – Member, ad hoc Committee on Medical Examiners' Independence  
National Association of Medical Examiners
- 2010 – 2011 Member, Committee on Biological Evidence Handling  
San Francisco Police Department



- 2009 – 2011 Member, ad hoc Committee on Forensic Toxicology  
National Association of Medical Examiners
- 2009 – Chair, Northern Toxicology Study Group  
California Association of Criminalists
- 2009 – Chair, Northern Alcohol Study Group  
California Association of Criminalists
- 2008 Member, Nominating Committee  
Society of Forensic Toxicologists
- 2008 Member, Annual Meeting Minute Reviewing Committee  
American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Toxicology Section
- 2006 – 2008 Member, San Francisco Citywide Task Force on Crystal Methamphetamine  
City and County of San Francisco
- 2005 – Member, Sexual Assault Response Team  
City and County of San Francisco
- 2005 – Chair, Future Meetings and Short Courses Committee  
California Association of Toxicologists
- 2000 – 2001 Member, Academic & Educational Forum  
Forensic Science Society
- 1999 – 2000 Member, Academic & Educational Committee  
Forensic Science Society

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51. Lemos NP. A Review of the Operations of the Centre for International Forensic Assistance. Proceedings of the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences 9: 138 (2003).
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53. Vanezis P and NP Lemos. Training in Forensic Medicine and Toxicology in Great Britain. Forensic Medicine & Toxicology in Europe 1:8 (2002).
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56. Lemos NP. The Use of Keratinous Tissues as Alternative Biological Specimens in Forensic Toxicology. Presented at the Joint Meeting of the London Toxicology Group & the Belgian Luxembourg Toxicology Group, Antwerp, Belgium, March 2002.
57. Lemos NP. Nail Them with Good Forensics: the Use of Nail in Forensic Toxicology. Presented at the Meeting of the Forensic Science Society, Chorley, England, UK, November 2001.
58. Takaichi K, NP Lemos and RA Anderson. Analysis of Opiates in Nail Clippings from Chronic Heroin Abusers. Presented at the Annual Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Prague, Czech Republic, August 2001.
59. Lemos NP, F Bortolotti and G Manetto. Capillary Electrophoresis: A New Tool in Forensic Medicine & Science. Presented at the Meeting of the Forensic Science Society, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, April 2001.
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63. Lemos NP, RA Anderson and JR Robertson. Nail Analysis for Drugs of Abuse. Presented at the Joint Meeting of SOFT and TIAFT, Albuquerque, NM, USA, October 1998.
64. Lemos NP and RA Anderson. Biliary Analysis of Dextropropoxyphene and Norpropoxyphene by Solid Phase Extraction. Proceedings of the XXXV TIAFT Annual Meeting 1: 695-698 (1997).
65. Agarwal AK and NP Lemos. Significance of Drug Overdose Cases. In Aspects on Forensic Toxicology 1: 142-146. Thessaloniki, Greece, August 1995.

## INVITED LECTURES

2015

Lemos NP and JJ Hackett. Validation of the RANDOX Biochip Array Technology. Presented at the 2015 Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists. San Francisco, California, USA

Lemos NP. Principles and Examples of Toxicology-Aided Human Identification. Presented at the 2015 Postgraduate Diploma in Forensic Human Identification Course. London, England, UK

Lemos NP. Postmortem Alcohol Toxicology. Presented at the 2015 Postmortem Interpretive Toxicology Course of The Center for Forensic Science Research and Education of the Fredric Rieders Family Renaissance Foundation, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA

2014

Lemos NP. Forensic Alcohol Analysis: The Basics. Presented to the Office of the District Attorney, San Francisco, California, USA

Lemos NP. Cannabis: A Review of Forensic Toxicologic Knowledge. Presented to the Office of the District Attorney, San Francisco, California, USA

Lemos NP. Title 17 Forensic Alcohol Analysis Basics for Phlebotomists. Presented to Arcadia Home Care & Staffing, San Francisco, California, USA

Lemos NP. Forensic Alcohol Analysis: The Basics. Presented at the Office of the Public Defender, San Francisco, California, USA

Lemos NP. Comparison of Presumptive Screening Techniques. Presented at Spring Meeting of California Association of Toxicologists: Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, Sacramento, California, CA

Lemos NP. Forensic Toxicology as Aide to Identification. Presented at the 2014 Postgraduate Diploma in Forensic Human Identification Course. London, England, UK

Lemos NP. Cannabis: A Review of Forensic Toxicologic Knowledge. Presented at the Office of the Public Defender, San Francisco, California, USA

Lemos NP. SF OCME LIMS Phase II. Presented at the Committee on Information Technology, Budget & Performance Subcommittee. San Francisco, California, USA

2013

Lemos NP. Pharmacology of Stimulants. Presented at the Workshop of the Continuing Education Committee of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists on Overview & Review of Forensic Toxicology. Orlando, Florida, USA

Lemos NP. Pharmacology of Cannabis. Presented at the Workshop of the Continuing Education Committee of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists on Overview & Review of Forensic Toxicology. Orlando, Florida, USA

Lemos NP. Hair Specimen Collection for Investigating Drug Facilitated Crimes. Presented to the Special Crimes Unit Inspectors of the San Francisco Police Department. San Francisco, California, USA

Lemos NP. Keynote Lecture: Current Issues and Trends in Forensic Toxicology. Presented at the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Summit on Toxicology. Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Lemos NP. Cannabis in Forensic Toxicology: Poison or Panacea? Presented to the British Columbia Centre for Disease Control, University of British Columbia. Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

Lemos NP. Alcohol Basics. Presented to the Office of the District Attorney. San Francisco, CA, USA

Lemos NP. Operations of the Forensic Laboratory Division of the San Francisco Office of the Chief Medical Examiner and Review of Alcohol Toxicology and Cannabis Toxicology. Presented at the San Francisco Field Office of the California Highway Patrol, San Francisco, CA, USA.

Lemos NP. Driving Under the Influence of Drugs – Interesting Case Studies. Presented at the Spring Meeting of the California Association of Forensic Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA USA.

Lemos NP. Cannabis. A Review of the Current State of Pharmacological, Toxicological and Epidemiological Knowledge. Presented at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, New York, NY USA.

Lemos NP. Cannabis. A Review of the Current State of Pharmacological, Toxicological and Epidemiological Knowledge. Presented as part of the Spring Lecture Series of the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, San Francisco, CA USA.

Lemos NP. Postmortem Redistribution. Presented at Chaminade University, Honolulu, HI USA.

Lemos NP. Cannabis. A Review of the Current State of Pharmacological, Toxicological and Epidemiological Knowledge. Presented at Chaminade University, Honolulu, HI USA.

Lemos NP. So, You Want to Be a (Forensic) Scientist? Presented to Students of the Phillip & Sala Burton Academic High School, San Francisco, CA, USA.

Lemos NP. Hair Testing: Collection, Analysis and Interpretation. Presented to the Special Victim's Unit of the San Francisco Police Department, San Francisco, CA, USA.

Lemos NP. Introduction to Human Performance Toxicology. Presented to the Office of the Public Defender, San Francisco, CA, USA

Lemos NP. Introduction to Postmortem Forensic Toxicology Case Investigations. Presented to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, San Francisco, CA, USA

Lemos NP. Forensic Toxicology: Title-17 Forensic Alcohol Analysis and Drug Toxicology Theory and Case Examples. Presented to the Driver Safety Hearing Officers of the California Department of Motor Vehicles, San Francisco, CA, USA

2012

Lemos NP. Introduction to Alcohol Analysis by Headspace Gas Chromatography. Presented to the Driver Safety Hearing Officers of the California Department of Motor Vehicles, San Francisco, CA, USA



Lemos NP. Forensic Alcohol Analysis. Presented to the Attorneys of the Office of the District Attorney, San Francisco, CA, USA

Lemos NP. Human Performance Toxicology in the City and County of San Francisco. Presented to the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, San Francisco, CA, USA

2011

Lemos NP. Forensic Alcohol Analysis in the City and County of San Francisco. Presented to the Office of the Public Defender, San Francisco, CA, USA

Lemos NP. Forensic Alcohol Analysis in the City and County of San Francisco. Presented to the Office of the District Attorney, San Francisco, CA, USA

2010

Lemos NP. Forensic Alcohol Analysis in the City and County of San Francisco. Presented to the Office of the District Attorney, San Francisco, CA, USA

2007

Lemos NP. Forensic Alcohol Analysis in the City and County of San Francisco. Presented to the Office of the District Attorney, San Francisco, CA, USA

2006

Lemos NP. Toxicology at the San Francisco Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. Presented to the Forensic Pathology and Toxicology Department of the University of Athens. Athens, Greece.

2005

Haller C and NP Lemos. The Party's Over: The Rise and Fall of Gamma Hydroxybutyrate (GHB). Presented to the Northern California Section of the American Association of Clinical Chemists. Berkeley, CA, USA

Lemos NP. Toxicology at the San Francisco Office of the Chief Medical Examiner: Only for the Dead? Presented to the Forensic Science Student Society of the State University of New York – College at Buffalo. Buffalo, NY, USA

Lemos NP. Nail Them with Good Forensics: The Use of Nail Clipping Analysis in Forensic Toxicology. Seminar presented to the Department of Chemistry of the State University of New York – College at Buffalo. Buffalo, NY, USA

Lemos NP. Forensic Toxicology in San Francisco. Presented at the National Student Leadership Conference. Stanford University, Stanford, CA, USA

Lemos NP. Toxicology at the San Francisco Office of the Chief Medical Examiner: Only for the Dead? Presented at City College of San Francisco's Briefings in Biotechnology, San Francisco, CA USA

2002

Lemos NP. New Analytical Methods in Forensic Toxicology. Presented to the South East Wales Section of the Royal Society of Chemistry. Cardiff, Wales, UK

Vanezis P, S Black and NP Lemos. An Introduction to the Centre for International Forensic Assistance. Presented at the Foreign & Commonwealth Office, London, England, UK

2001

Lemos NP. A New Method for the Monitoring of Chronic Drug Abuse Using Nail Clippings. Presented at the House of Commons, London, England, UK

### **CONTINUING MANAGEMENT & SUPERVISORY EDUCATION**

2014

Respirator Safety Training for GSA Employees, General Services Agency, City and County of San Francisco

2013

Preventing Workplace Harassment for CCSF CA Supervisors, Workplace Answers

Supervisor Safety Training – General Services Agency, City and County of San Francisco

2012

Understanding Equality and Diversity - Barts and the London School of Medicine and Dentistry, Queen Mary, University of London, England, UK

2011

Communication and Conflict Resolution – San Francisco, CA, USA

Communicating Effectively to Prevent and Resolve Conflict – San Francisco, CA, USA

Preventing Violence at the Workplace – San Francisco, CA, USA

2010

The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People® Signature Program – San Francisco, CA, USA

2009

How to Identify and Prevent Workplace Harassment – San Francisco, CA, USA

The Art of Leadership: Skills for Effective Organizational and Interpersonal Communication - California Association of Criminalists, Lake Arrowhead, CA, USA

2008

The Secrets of Face-to-Face Communication – San Francisco, CA, USA

2007

Making a Case for Financial Need – Annual FBI Crime Laboratory Symposium, Fisher College of Business, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, USA

Developing an Effective Mentoring Program – Annual FBI Crime Laboratory Symposium, Fisher College of Business, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, USA

Maximizing Success with Performance Management – Annual FBI Crime Laboratory Symposium, Fisher College of Business, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, USA

Dealing with Grouches, Grumps and Grudges – Annual FBI Crime Laboratory Symposium, Fisher College of Business, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, USA

Change Management – Annual FBI Crime Laboratory Symposium, Fisher College of Business, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, USA

Unleashing the Power of a Multi-Generational Workplace – Annual FBI Crime Laboratory Symposium, Fisher College of Business, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, USA

How to Excel at Managing and Supervising People – Skill Path Seminar, San Francisco, CA, USA

Incident Command System and the National Response Plan, San Francisco, CA, USA

2006

Overview of Good Laboratory Practice and Current Guidelines – American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Team Building – San Francisco, CA, USA

Performance Plan and Appraisal Report – San Francisco, CA, USA

Progressive Discipline – San Francisco, CA, USA

2005

Labour Relations – San Francisco, CA, USA

How to Identify and Prevent Workplace Harassment – San Francisco, CA, USA

2001

Postgraduate Student Supervisor Training – South Bank University, London, England, UK

Media Training – South Bank University, London, England, UK

## **CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION**

2015

General Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Z-Drugs, Workshop at the Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Scientific Neutrality in Expert Witness Testimony, Workshop at the Annual Meeting, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Orlando, FL, USA

Mass Fatality Incidents: An Integrated Approach, Workshop at the Annual Meeting, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Orlando, FL, USA

Clinical Toxicology of the Poisoned Patient, Workshop at the Annual Meeting, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Orlando, FL, USA

Annual Meeting, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Orlando, FL, USA

Postmortem Interpretive Toxicology Course, The Center for Forensic Science Research and Education of the Fredric Rieders Family Renaissance Foundation, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

2014

52<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

World Forensic Festival – Triennial Meeting of the International Association of Forensic Sciences, Seoul, South Korea.

Neuropathology of Acceleration/Deceleration Injury in Infants and Small Children. Presented by Bruce H. Wainer MD, PhD. Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, San Francisco, California

National Legislation, Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, California

California Legislative Changes, Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, California

National Safety Council – Standardized Limit of Detection Drugs, Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, California

Marijuana Legislative Changes in Colorado State, Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, California

Marijuana Legislative Changes in Washington State, Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, California

Laboratory Testing of Legalized Cannabis, Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, California

Oral Fluid Testing in the Field, Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, California

Oral Fluid Portable Devices and Collection, Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, California

Automated Extraction Techniques, Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, California

Automated Extraction Techniques for Urine Samples, Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, California

LCMSMS – BTHC Validation, Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, California

LCMSMS – Benzo/Other Drug Validation, Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, California

Drug Screen Method Validation on Perkin Elmer, Time of Flight, Breaking Through, Advances in the Science of Forensic Toxicology: New Technology, New Legislation, New Methods, New Emerging Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, California

Annual Meeting, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

2013

The Indiana University Robert F. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Oral Fluid Analysis: Prevalence of Drugs in Drivers CA 2010 and 2012 Surveys. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Statement of the Problem: The Canadian Roadside Survey and Drug Involvement in Fatal Traffic Crashes. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

The FARS data system potential and limitations. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Standardized Field Sobriety Tests: History, Performance and Validation. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

The Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) Program. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Successful administration and governance of a DRE program in 2013. Best Practices, Resources and Outcomes. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Strengths and limitations of Per Se approaches to DUID enforcement. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

The Special case of the THC per se law. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Pharmacokinetics: Absorption, Distribution, Metabolism and Elimination. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Review of Pharmacology and Drug Effects I: Stimulants. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Cocaine and Amphetamines: Effects on Human Performance and Behavior. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

On Road Driving Studies: Examples with MDMA. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Principles of Pharmacology and Drug Effects II: Cannabinoids. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Marijuana: Effects on Human Performance and Behavior and Crash Risk. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

On-Road Driving Studies: Cannabis. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Calculation of time since last use of Marijuana: Utility and Limitations. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Synthetic Cannabinoids – Effects on Behavior and Performance. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Principles of Pharmacology and Drug Effects III: Opiates. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Opiates: Effects on Human Performance and Behavior. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Principles of Pharmacology and Drug Effects IV: Benzodiazepines and CNS Depressants. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Benzodiazepines and Driving Impairment: Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Zolpidem and other Imidazopyridines and Driving. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Carisoprodol and Butalbital: Effects on Human Performance and Behavior. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

On-Road Driving Studies with Anxiolytics and Depressant Drugs. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Principles of Pharmacology and Drug Effects V: Hallucinogens and Dissociative Drugs. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Hallucinogens and Dissociative Drugs: Effects on Human Performance and Behavior. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

“Bath Salts” compounds – Case Studies in DUID. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

DUID Information Resources and Online Research. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

The Los Angeles Oral Fluid Project. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Forensically Defensible Drug and Alcohol Testing in DUID – Laboratory Aspects. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

A practical approach to preparing and testifying in drug impaired driving cases, with examples. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Tips for successful testimony in DUID cases. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Recognizing and responding to Defense Tactics in DUID cases. Borkenstein Course on the Effects of Drugs on Human Performance and Behavior. 3 - 8 November 2013, Sacramento, California, USA

Annual Meeting of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Orlando, Florida, USA

SWGTOX Standard Practices for Method Validation in Forensic Toxicology. Workshop of the Annual Meeting of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Orlando, Florida, USA

Pharmacology & Toxicology of Synthetic Cannabinoids. Workshop of the Annual Meeting of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Orlando, Florida, USA

Marijuana: Old Drug, New Data. Workshop of the Annual Meeting of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Orlando, Florida, USA

2<sup>nd</sup> International Summit on Toxicology, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Is Full Scan High Resolution MS Analysis Enough for Broad Spectrum Drug Screening? Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Results from Sober FST and DRE Evaluations of C.A.T. Members, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Weight of the Evidence, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Designer Drugs and Updates for Toxicologists, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Case Study of Pharm-Party Death, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

The Forensic Implications of Drug-Drug Interactions, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Are You Suppressed, or the Great Suppression!, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Levels and Incidence of THC in Drivers within Harris County, 2010-2012, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

The New DUI, Driving While InTEXTicated, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Analysis of Cannabinoids in Blood by LC/MS/MS, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Paranoid Behavior after Ingestion of Designer Drugs: A Study of Three Cases, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

The Emergence of Phenazepam and its Frequency in North Texas, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Stability and Distribution Study of Phenazepam, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Chlophedianol: An Atypical Antitussive, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Ketamine: Not Your Average "Special K," Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Transdermal Absorption as a Mechanism of Toxicity in Infants, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Survey of Postmortem Pediatric Methamphetamine Cases in Oklahoma from 2003-2012, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Toxicology Related Child Deaths in Tarrant County, Texas: 2010-Present, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

Pediatric Death Due To Morphine Toxicity, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

A Look at Ethanol in Breast Milk, Joint Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists and the Southwestern Association of Toxicologists, Las Vegas, Nevada, USA

51<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Funchal, Madeira, Portugal

Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

The past, present & future of EU Risk Assessment of New Psychoactive Substance, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

Development and Validation of an Improved Method to Screen for Stimulants Including New Psychoactive Compounds, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

Trends in Prevalence of New Psychoactive Substances in Ireland 2008-2012, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

A Designer Life-Trends in cases linked to new psychoactive substances, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

The identification of the isomers of substituted cathinones, the isomers of aminopropylindoles, 4-methylamphetamine and amphetamine, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

The Case of the Known Knowns, the Known Unknowns and the Unknown Unknowns - a Unified Approach to Drug Screening, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

The Irish Coroners Service, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

Vitreous Humour: A serious fluid for consideration for toxicological analyses, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

Strategies for human drug residue analysis by LCMS, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

Analysis of Propofol (2,6-diisopropylphenol) and its metabolites in one injection using a Dual Ionization Source, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

Taking THC Carboxylic Acid Detection Limits to another dimension, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

Recent Developments relating to Driving under the Influence of Drugs and Roadside Drug Testing in the United Kingdom, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland



Drug depots in Oral Tissue, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

Roadside Chemical Drug Testing and the Republic of Ireland, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

Alcohol Ignition Interlocks, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

Concentrations of drugs determined in blood samples collected from suspected drugged drivers in England and Wales, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

Human Factors in Collision Investigation, Annual Conference, United Kingdom and Irish Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Dublin, Ireland

Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Office of Traffic Safety – DUID Oral Fluid Study, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Field Sobriety Tests: Past, Present and Future, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

DRE and FST, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

FST Workshops, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Pharmacology: Opiates, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Pharmacology: Alcohol/Sedatives, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Pharmacology: Marijuana, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Pharmacology: Stimulants, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Pharmacokinetics/Pharmacogenomics, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Philatelic Ramble Through the History of Forensic Toxicology, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Immunoassays in Toxicology: Then and Now, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Novel Approaches to Toxicology, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Postmortem Toxicology: Then and Now, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Hair Today, gone tomorrow: Problems and Resolutions with Hair Testing, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Drug Facilitated Crimes, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Fifty Years of Alcohol, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Thailand Toxicology Guidelines and Emerging Toxicology, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Drugs and Driving, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Chronic Daily Cannabis SmokingL Neuroadaptation, Residual Cannabinoid Excretion & Psychomotor Impairment, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Metabolism and detectability of Emerging Drugs of Abuse, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Toxicology Alphabet Soup: Cooking Up Designer Highs, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

New Drugs in Europe: Perspectives from the EU Early Warning System, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Emerging Toxicology on South America, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

The Young Scientists, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Detection of Insulin, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

A 'Call to Arms" – Future of Forensic Toxicology, The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), London, England, UK

Development in Emerging and Designer Drug Markets 2013, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Washington, DC, USA

Beyond the Numbers: An Objective Approach to Forensic Toxicological Interpretation, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Washington, DC, USA

Annual Meeting, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Washington, DC, USA

Status Update, California Transplant Donor Network, San Francisco, CA, USA

Local Overdose Prevention and Intervention Efforts, Roundtable Discussion with R. Gil Kerlikowske, Director of the White House Office of National Drug Control Policy, San Francisco, CA, USA

2012

Strategies for Expanding DUID Testing: Is Oral Fluid the Way?, Annual Meeting, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Boston, MA, USA

LC/MS/MS Method Development & Validation for Forensic Toxicologists, Annual Meeting, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Annual Meeting, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Boston, MA, USA

Annual Meeting, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Boston, MA, USA

Annual Meeting, The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Hamamatsu, Japan

Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Jose, CA, USA

The Twisted Trail of Cannabis, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Jose, CA, USA

California Cannabis Laws, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Jose, CA, USA

State & Federal Cannabis Laws, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Jose, CA, USA

The Current State of the Cannabis Trade, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Jose, CA, USA

Cannabis Cultivation, Yields, Processing, Preparation, and Dosage, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Jose, CA, USA

Pharmacodynamics and Pharmacokinetics of Acute & Chronic Cannabis Intake, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Jose, CA, USA

Cannabis Abuse, Addiction, and Treatment, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Jose, CA, USA

Analytical Methodologies for Cannabis, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Jose, CA, USA

Calculating Uncertainty in Toxicology, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Jose, CA, USA

Pot, Psychomotor Performance, and Public Policy, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Jose, CA, USA

Interpretation of Cannabis Results: Differentiating New Drug Use from Residual Drug Excretion, Spring Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, San Jose, CA, USA

Annual Meeting, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Atlanta, GA, USA

Using Pharmacokinetics to Analyze Forensic Toxicology Cases, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Atlanta, GA, USA

Postmortem Examination and Personal Identification of Victims of the Great East Japan Earthquake, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Atlanta, GA, USA

The Cleveland Cyanide Murder Case: A Multidisciplinary Approach to Crime Investigation, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Atlanta, GA, USA

The Battle of Gettysburg: How Today's Technology Connected Jennie Wade to Abraham Lincoln After 145 Years, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Atlanta, GA, USA

2011

Semi Annual Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, Glendale, CA, USA

Forensic Alcohol: The Challenges and Successes in the Field, Lab and Courtroom, California Association of Toxicologists, Glendale, CA, USA

Alcohol Withdrawal and its Effects on the Human Brain, California Association of Toxicologists, Glendale, CA, USA

Validation of Field Sobriety Tests in Marine Environment, California Association of Toxicologists, Glendale, CA, USA

Volatiles in Post-Mortem, California Association of Toxicologists, Glendale, CA, USA

Alcohol Statistics, California Association of Toxicologists, Glendale, CA, USA

Mouth Alcohol Study, California Association of Toxicologists, Glendale, CA, USA

*People v. McNeal*, California Association of Toxicologists, Glendale, CA, USA

Field Sobriety Test Validation at 0.08%, California Association of Toxicologists, Glendale, CA, USA

Alcohol Blackout, California Association of Toxicologists, Glendale, CA, USA

Alcohol Poisoning, California Association of Toxicologists, Glendale, CA, USA

Alcosensor® V Retrofit, California Association of Toxicologists, Glendale, CA, USA

Drug Recognition Expert Evaluation on Drugs and Ethanol, California Association of Toxicologists, Glendale, CA, USA

Joint Meeting of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SOFT) and The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), San Francisco, CA, USA

Pairing Clinical and Postmortem Toxicology Findings for Interpretative Purposes. Workshop Co-Chaired at the Joint Meeting of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SOFT) and The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), San Francisco, CA, USA

Semi Quarterly Meeting, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

The Future of Drug Abuse and Designer Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Synthetic Cannabinoids – An Overview, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Synthetic Cannabinoids – Routine Analysis, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Designer Drugs – Absorption, Distribution, Metabolism and Excretion, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Diversion Control and Designer Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Bath Salt, Air Freshener and Fertilizer – Metabolism and Analytical Toxicology of Emerging Designer Drugs of Abuse, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Performance Enhancing Designer Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

BZP and TFMPP – What the Forensic Toxicologists Need to Know, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

MDMA – Case Studies, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Disposition of Cannabinoids in Oral Fluid, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Synthetic Cannabinoids in Oral Fluid, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Synthetic Cannabinoids in Oral Fluid – Routine Testing, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Activities of the SWGTOX, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Disposition of MDMA in Oral Fluid, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Development of New Polyclonal Antibodies for the Screening of JWH Synthetic Cannabinoids and Metabolites, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Challenges of Interpreting Hair Analysis Results, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Acceptability of Alternate Matrices in Court, California Association of Toxicologists, Napa, CA, USA

Tips and Tricks to Improve the Interpretative Value of Postmortem Toxicology, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Chicago, IL, USA

Psychology of Homicide: What Every Forensic Scientist Should Know About Homicidal Behavior, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Chicago, IL, USA

Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) Evidence: Extrapolation, Interpretation, and Testimony in the Post-NAS Era, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Chicago, IL, USA,

Annual Meeting, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Chicago, IL, USA

2010

Annual Meeting, National Association of Medical Examiners, Cleveland, OH, USA

Introduction to Agilent LC/QQQ MS/MS, Santa Clara, CA, USA

Annual Meeting, The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Bonn, Germany

Sleep and Driving Under the Influence Workshop, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, CA, USA

Alcohol Drinking and Driving Correlation Study, California Association of Criminalists, Yosemite, CA, USA

Northern Toxicology Study Group, California Association of Criminalists, Davis, CA

Northern Joint Alcohol and QA Study Groups, California Association of Criminalists, Davis, CA, USA

2009

Annual Meeting, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Oklahoma City, OK, USA

Autopsy Hair Collection – Just Pull It, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Oklahoma City, OK, USA

Bridging the Gap in Postmortem Laboratory Practices and Case Interpretations, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Oklahoma City, OK, USA

ABFT Certification Preparation Class, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Oklahoma City, OK, USA

Annual Meeting, National Association of Medical Examiners, San Francisco, CA, USA

Annual Meeting, The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Geneva, Switzerland

Spring Meeting, California Association of Criminalists, Lake Arrowhead, CA, USA

Alcohol Drinking & Driving Correlation Study, California Association of Criminalists, Lake Arrowhead, CA, USA

Annual Meeting, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Denver, CO, USA

Pharmaco-Basics: Introduction to Pharmacology for Toxicologists, California Association of Toxicologists & Society of Forensic Toxicologists Continuing Education Committee Workshop, San Francisco, CA, USA

2008

Tips & Tricks of Injector Maintenance, Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA, USA

Tips & Tricks of Troubleshooting the GC System, Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA, USA

Tips & Tricks of Faster GC Analyses, Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA, USA

Pharmacogenomics for Toxicologists, California Association of Toxicologists, Ventura, CA, USA

Blood & Urine Analyses Under California's 11550 Law, California Association of Toxicologists, Ventura, CA, USA

Advances in LC/MS/MS Applications in Forensic Toxicology, California Association of Toxicologists, Ventura, CA, USA

Uncertainty of Measurement in Toxicology, California Association of Toxicologists, Ventura, CA, USA

Newer Approaches to Opiate Addiction Treatment, California Association of Toxicologists, Ventura, CA, USA

Recent California Legislation and its Effects on Forensic Laboratories, California Association of Toxicologists, Ventura, CA, USA

Dean Switch Solutions to Challenging Analytes: Fentanyl and Norcocaine, California Association of Toxicologists, Ventura, CA, USA

ChemStation® Productivity, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Washington, DC, USA

2007

Pharmacological Treatments of Alcoholism, California Association of Toxicologists, Phoenix, AZ, USA

Pharmacokinetics: Some Principles and Applications to Forensic Toxicology, California Association of Toxicologists, Phoenix, AZ, USA

Neuropharmacology of Drugs of Abuse and Addiction, California Association of Toxicologists, Phoenix, AZ, USA  
LC/MS/MS IN Forensic Toxicology, California Association of Toxicologists, Phoenix, AZ, USA

Expectation, Craving & the Acute Effect of Cocaine in the Addicted Human Brain, California Association of Toxicologists, Phoenix, AZ, USA

Measuring Cocaine-Seeking in Rats, California Association of Toxicologists, Phoenix, AZ, USA

Opioids: Mechanisms of Pain, Tolerance and Receptor Pharmacology, California Association of Toxicologists, Phoenix, AZ, USA

Down on the Pharm, California Association of Toxicologists, Phoenix, AZ, USA

Pharmacogenomics as Molecular Autopsy, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, San Antonio, TX, USA

Medicine, Murder and Mayhem in Ancient Greece, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, San Antonio, TX, USA

Finding the Needle in the Haystack: Investigating Drug Facilitated Sexual Assaults, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, San Antonio, TX, USA

Problems in the Investigation, Prosecution and Defense of Health Care Professionals who Systematically Kill their Patients, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, San Antonio, TX, USA

2006

Medical Assessment of Drug Endangered Children, California Association of Toxicologists, Indian Wells, CA, USA

What Happens to the Children of Illicit Drug Makers? California Association of Toxicologists, Indian Wells, CA, USA

Clandestine Laboratories First Responder, California Association of Toxicologists, Indian Wells, CA, USA

The Coming Revolution in Pharmaceuticals – Designing Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, Indian Wells, CA, USA

The Driving Dead: Driving Under the Influence of Potentially Fatal Drug Levels or Combinations, California Association of Toxicologists, Indian Wells, CA, USA

Methamphetamine Involvement in Serious/Fatal Traffic Collisions, California Association of Toxicologists, Indian Wells, CA, USA

Two Paediatric Methadone Facilities: Case Reports from the OCME, Phoenix, AZ, California Association of Toxicologists, Indian Wells, CA, USA

Misuse, Abuse and Suicide with Ecstasy/MDMA, California Association of Toxicologists, Indian Wells, CA, USA

Forensic Applications of LC/MS, California Association of Toxicologists, Indian Wells, CA, USA

Clinical Applications of LC/MS, California Association of Toxicologists, Indian Wells, CA, USA

Introduction to LC/MS, California Association of Toxicologists, Indian Wells, CA, USA

Derivatization Workshop, California Association of Toxicologists, Indian Wells, CA, USA

How does your QA/QC Program Measure Up? Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Austin, TX, USA

Postmortem Pharmacokinetics: the Good, the Bad and the Ugly, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Austin, TX, USA

Standardized Field Sobriety Tests: Principles and Practice, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Austin, TX, USA

Method Validation & Measurement Uncertainty, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Austin, TX, USA

The Application of Hair as an Alternate Matrix for Forensic Applications, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Austin, TX, USA

Opiate Fields Forever, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Austin, TX, USA

Addiction & Pain Management for Forensic Toxicologists: Update on Drug Therapy, Clinical and Forensic Toxicology & Emerging Role of Pharmacogenetics, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Austin, TX, USA

New Antidepressants & Antiepileptics: Clinical Pharmacology, Pharmacogenomics, Gene Expression, and Neurobiology of Depression & Suicide & Forensic Toxicology, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Austin, TX, USA

ETD: From Conception to Introduction, Thermo Electron Corporation, Foster City, CA, USA

Recent Advances in FTMS, Thermo Electron Corporation, Foster City, CA, USA

Metabolite ID Characterization with an LTQ: Identification of in vivo metabolites, Thermo Electron Corporation, Foster City, CA, USA

Challenges and Solutions using an LTQ Orbitrap, Thermo Electron Corporation, Foster City, CA, USA

Analysis of GSH Adducts by LTQ MS, Thermo Electron Corporation, Foster City, CA, USA

Recent Software Improvements for Metabolite ID, Thermo Electron Corporation, Foster City, CA, USA

Clinical Chemistry CSI: Interesting Cases from the San Francisco General and Stanford Hospital Laboratories, American Association of Clinical Chemistry, Newark, CA, USA

Overview of the DEA Western Laboratory, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Dextromethorphan Abuse, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

The Toxicology of Substance Abuse: Opiates and Opioids, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

A Practical Method for the Extraction and GC/MS Analysis of Seven Opiates in Urine, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

What's Going On in a Veterinary Toxicology Laboratory? California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

While you were Sleeping: A Cancer was Growing in the Private Sector for the Drug Testing Industry, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Hallucinogenic Tryptamines, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Benzodiazepines Screen/Confirmation by LC/MSD, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Urine Marijuana Analysis and Interpretation, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Mood, Psychosis, and Personality: A Clinical Perspective, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Suicide, Treatment Resistant Depression, Safety and Efficacy of Depression Treatments, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Clinical Effects of Overdose: Emergency Medical Toxicology associated with Depression/Psychosis, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Clinical Depression in the Workplace, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Anti-Psychotics Drugs, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Antidepressants: Many Different Types and Analytical Schemes, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

Driving Under the Influence of CNS Depressants, California Association of Toxicologists, San Francisco, CA, USA

World Trade Center Disaster: Characterizing the Nature and Extent of Contamination and Accessing Health Effects, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

How to evaluate and Use your MS Guidelines, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

The Holistic View of Analytical Toxicology, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Ongoing Work for GC/LC-MS(-MS) Guidelines, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Forensic Toxicology: The World Outside of Drugs, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA



Biological Monitoring of Exposure to Biomass Smoke, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Past, Present and Future of Elemental Testing in Forensic Toxicology, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Biological Monitoring and Forensic Implications, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Pathology of Environmental and Occupational Toxic Exposures, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Opioids in the Elderly, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

The Pathology of Aging, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Antidepressants in the Elderly, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Pharmaceutical Pitfalls in the Elderly, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Calcium Channel Blockers in the Elderly, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Solving Challenges in Bioanalysis, Thermo Electron Corporation, Foster City, CA, USA

Unattended LC/MS/MS Method Development for Drug Discovery Utilizing QuickQuan™ Software, Thermo Electron Corporation, Foster City, CA, USA

Strategies for Optimizing Metabolism Strategies, Thermo Electron Corporation, Foster City, CA, USA

Characterization of Lipid A Heterogeneity with an LTQ-FT Hybrid Mass Spectrometer, Thermo Electron Corporation, Foster City, CA, USA

Solving Challenges in Food and Environmental Analysis, Thermo Electron Corporation, Foster City, CA, USA

Strategies for Structural ID in Complex Matrices, Thermo Electron Corporation, Foster City, CA, USA

2005

LC/MS/MS for Forensic Toxicology, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Nashville, TN, USA

Oral Fluids – Research and Applications, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Nashville, TN, USA

Post-mortem Toxicology Interpretation, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Nashville, TN, USA

The Post-mortem 'Blood Drug Screen': Analytical and Managerial Approaches, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Nashville, TN, USA

Alternative Matrix Drug Testing, California Association Toxicologists, Las Vegas, NV, USA

Blood, Urine & Tissue Collection, Handling and Analysis following the passing of California Senate Bill 1623, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, CA, USA

Records of Blood, Urine and Tissue Analysis and Individual Certification following the passing of California Senate Bill 1623, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, CA, USA

Medical Conditions and DUI Investigation, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, CA, USA

Sexual Assault Analysis, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, CA, USA

Quality Control and Accreditation, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, CA, USA

Screening & Extraction in Toxicology, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, CA, USA

Evidence-Based Forensic Science: Interpreting Postmortem Toxicology in the Light of Pathologic Findings, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, New Orleans, LA, USA

2004

Statistics and Method Validation, Federal Bureau of Investigations, Washington, DC, USA

New and Unique Technologies for Forensic Toxicology Laboratories, Federal Bureau of Investigations, Washington, DC, USA

Advanced Mass Spectrometry Theory and Interpretation, Federal Bureau of Investigations, Washington, DC, USA

Drug-Facilitated Sexual Assault, Federal Bureau of Investigations, Washington, DC, USA

Value and Purpose of Forensic Alcohol Analysis, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

Common Court Challenges to Forensic Alcohol Analysis, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

California Title 17 Regulations, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

Pharmacology, Toxicology and Physiology pertaining to Forensic Alcohol Analysis, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

Widmark Hypothesis, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

Legal Aspects of Forensic Alcohol Analysis, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

Wet Chemical Methods of Forensic Alcohol Analysis, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

Gas Chromatographic Methods for Forensic Alcohol Analysis, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

Method Theory for Breath Testing for Forensic Alcohol, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

Breath Calibration Device, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

DOJ and Orange County Breath Programs, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

Driving Impairment, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

Standard Field Sobriety Tests, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

Drinking Study & Drinking Study Data Analysis, California Department of Justice, Sacramento, CA, USA

Exotic Drugs and Toxins, California Association of Toxicologists, Sacramento, CA, USA

How to be a Better Expert Witness, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Dallas, TX, USA

Ephedrine: Drug or Supplement? Ephedrine Related Compounds and the Debate on their Potential for Contribution to Injury, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Dallas, TX, USA

Application of the principle of Pharmacology and Pharmacokinetics to the Interpretation of Drug Blood Levels, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Dallas, TX, USA

2003

Forensic Alcohol Breath Test Operator Course, San Francisco Police Department, San Francisco, CA, USA

Forensic Science Fact and Fiction, Forensic Science Society, Oxford, England, UK

Reconstruction of a Traffic Accident: The Lady Diana, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Chicago, IL, USA

Death Dealing Caregivers, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Chicago, IL, USA

Clinical Chemistry and Forensic Toxicology – A Symbolic Relationship in Death Investigation, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Chicago, IL, USA

Antipsychotics – Medicines for the Minds, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Chicago, IL, USA

Asthma – Prevalence, Treatment and Death Investigation, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Chicago, IL, USA

2002

Quality Matters, Forensic Science Society, Glasgow, Scotland, UK

Crime Scene Workshop, Forensic Science Society, Bromsgrove, England, UK

2001

Forensic Science & the Crime Scene, Forensic Science Society, York, England, UK

Applications of Microscopical Techniques in Forensic Science, Forensic Alliance, Abingdon, England, UK

The Agony of Ecstasy: Clinical, Pathological and Toxicological Aspects of MDMA, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Raves, Night Clubs and the New Youth Drug Culture, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Forensic Applications of Raman Spectroscopy, American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Seattle, WA, USA

Interpretation of Bloodstain Evidence, Forensic Alliance, Abingdon, England, UK

2000

From Crime Scene to Court Room, Irish Forensic Science Laboratory, Dublin, Ireland

1999

The Scientific Investigation of Drugs, Airth Castle, Scotland, UK

Pathology for Toxicologists, Society of Forensic Toxicologists, Puerto Rico

1998

Current Applications of Thin Layer Chromatography in Forensic Toxicology, Society of Forensic Toxicologists & The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Albuquerque, NM, USA

Practical Aspects of CI/MS for Drugs of Abuse, Society of Forensic Toxicologists & The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Albuquerque, NM, USA

1997

Capillary Electrophoresis in the Forensic Sciences, University of Verona, Verona, Italy

1995

Annual Meeting, International Association of Forensic Toxicologists, Thessaloniki, Greece

**SERVICE TO JOURNALS***Journal of Forensic Sciences*, Wiley*Journal of Analytical Toxicology*, Oxford Journals*Journal of Forensic Science & Criminology*, Annex Publishers*Journal of Forensic and Legal Medicine*, Elsevier*Medicine, Science and the Law*, The Royal Society of Medicine Journals*Science & Justice*, Elsevier*Toxicologie Analytique et Clinique*, Elsevier**OTHER SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES**

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| Co-Chair     | 2015-2016 Toxicology Section Scientific Program<br>American Academy of Forensic Sciences                                                                                                                                                              |
| Host         | Spring 2014 Proficiency Survey<br>California Association of Toxicologists                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Convener     | Diversity and Equality in Forensic Sciences Reception<br>65 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences<br>21 February 2013, Washington, DC, USA                                                                   |
| Convener     | Inaugural Diversity and Equality in Forensic Sciences Reception<br>2012 Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences<br>23 February 2012, Atlanta, Georgia, USA                                                                        |
| Co-Moderator | Pediatric Postmortem Toxicology: Children Are Not Small Adults<br>Annual Multidisciplinary Session<br>Part of the Annual Meeting of the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, 1999 –                                                                 |
| Host & Chair | 2011 Joint International Conference & Exposition of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SOFT) and The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT)<br>25 – 30 September 2011, San Francisco, California, USA                        |
| Co-Chair     | Pairing Clinical and Postmortem Toxicology Findings for Interpretative Purposes.<br>Joint Meeting of the Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SOFT) and The International Association of Forensic Toxicologists (TIAFT), San Francisco, California, USA |

- Co-Host                      *Pharmaco-Basics: An Introduction to Pharmacology for Toxicologists* Winter Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists & the Society of Forensic Toxicologists' Continuing Education Committee Workshop  
16 & 17 January 2009, San Francisco, California, USA
- Co-Host                      Summer Meeting of the California Association of Toxicologists  
10 June 2006; San Francisco, California, USA
- Co-Host                      Depression and Psychosis Workshop of the California Association of Toxicologists  
9 June 2006; San Francisco, California, USA
- Scientific Consultant      *Forensic Practice in Criminal Cases*  
The Law Society, Published in London, January 2004
- Scientific Consultant      *Crime Scene: The Ultimate Guide to Forensic Science*  
Dorling Kindersley Publishing, Published in London, June 2003
- Convener                    "Human Rights – Torture – Genocide – Identification"  
International Conference of the Centre for International Forensic Assistance & the British Association for Human Identification  
16 & 17 November 2002; London, England
- Scientific Consultant      Open University Adult Education Program on BBC  
*Ever Wondered: Forensic Detection*  
2001 – 2003
- REFERENCES**            Available Upon Request

**Evans, Derek**

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**From:** Lemos, Nikolas (ADM)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 08, 2015 8:00 AM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** RE: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Hearing - 12/10/15 - 10AM

**Importance:** High

Thank you for your email.

Unfortunately, I am scheduled to be on an interview panel this same day and, therefore, I am unable to be present during the Rules Committee Meeting on 12/10.2015.

Please express my sincere apologies to the Committee but please reassure them that I continue to be interested in serving on the Task Force.

Sincerely,

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**Nikolas P. Lemos, PhD, FRSC, F-ABFT**  
Chief Forensic Toxicologist &  
Director, Forensic Laboratory Division  
Office of Chief Medical Examiner  
City and County of San Francisco  
&  
Clinical Professor  
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**From:** Evans, Derek  
**Sent:** Monday, December 07, 2015 2:16 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** RE: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force - Hearing - 12/10/15 - 10AM

Hello,

Please see the agenda for the December 10, 2015, Rules Committee rescheduled meeting:

<http://www.sfbos.org/index.aspx?page=18579>

Applicants will speak in the order listed on the agenda. Please use the link to [File No. 151248](#) to view the committee packet.

See also sponsor of establishing ordinance (File No. 150436; Ordinance No. 115-15) contact information provided:

Supervisor Scott Wiener ([scott.wiener@sfgov.org](mailto:scott.wiener@sfgov.org))  
Aides: Adam Taylor ([adam.taylor@sfgov.org](mailto:adam.taylor@sfgov.org))



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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

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

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 20 District: 9

Name: James Araby

Home Address: [Redacted] Hampton Rd Zip: 94553

Home Phone: 510-[Redacted] Occupation: Executive Director

Work Phone: 415-861-7840 Employer: United Food and Commercial Workers

Business Address: 1980 Mission St Zip: 94103

Business E-Mail: j.araby@ufcwstatescouncil.org Home E-Mail: seuorg399@[Redacted]

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Check All That Apply:

Registered voter in San Francisco: Yes [ ] No [x] If No, where registered: Contra Costa

Resident of San Francisco [ ] Yes [x] No If No, place of residence: Martinez, CA

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 work for the UFCW which represents over 6,000 workers in the city and county of San Francisco. We represent workers in multiple industries but primarily concentrated in the food retail and non-food retail industries in the city of San Francisco. We also represent workers in the Cannabis industry in San Francisco.
I am the statewide Executive Director with knowledge in both California politics and policy as it relates to the Cannabis industry and have worked for the past 18 months with numerous stakeholders to try and craft a state regulatory framework for medical Cannabis industry in California.
I believe I am very qualified to understand the nuance as it pertains to this subject and its impact on the communities surround medical Cannabis businesses, the workers who work in the industry and the government agencies who are primarily responsible for the regulatory oversight.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I currently serve as the Executive Director of the UFCW Western States Council. Eleven local unions in 4 states are affiliated with the council and we represent close to 200,000 workers in diverse industries. My primary responsibilities are to work with policy makers in the state of California to craft policies that help UFCW members and working families. I also help coordinate the union's coalition work on numerous subjects related to the food, agriculture and retail industries.

In addition to my work as an Executive Director I sit on numerous board of directors including the Contra Costa Labor Council, the Labor-Management Advisory board for the ALRB, I am a board member of CORO Northern California and sit on the advisory board for the UC-Berkeley Labor Center.

**Civic Activities:**

I am currently a board member of CORO Northern California, whose mission is to train future civic and public policy leaders. I founded a group in Contra Costa County for working dads who deal with issues related to family and childcare. I have volunteered at numerous food banks and soup kitchens in Contra Costa County and joined the PTA for my child's school in Martinez.

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

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Date: 7/28/15 Applicant's Signature: (required) James Araby

(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: Cannabis State Legalization

Seat # or Category (If applicable): 20 District: 9

Name: Elliot S. Beckelman

Home Address: ██████████ 21st Street, SF, CA Zip: 94110

Home Phone: 415-██████████ Occupation: Attorney

Work Phone: 415-577-5900 Employer: self-employed

Business Address: P.O. Box 40038 Zip: 94140

Business E-Mail: beckelmanlaw@gmail.com Home E-Mail: ebeckelman@██████████

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Check All That Apply:

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

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:**

I have lived in San Francisco since 1979. I have been a homeowner in the Mission since 1987. I have worked in the city since I first arrived. My wife and I have raised 2 children who attended public school through graduation. My historical connection to the city, as well as my socio-economic background, will enable me to have a "city-first" point of view in analyzing the impact of any future cannabis legislation. The most current form of a bill pending in Sacramento that seeks to regulate medical marijuana envisions a two-stage system where the cannabis operation must comply with local permits before being allowed to be issued a state license. I anticipate that the same two-staged system will apply to "recreational" marijuana. As a parent, home owner, long-term resident who has worked with and assists my diversified neighbors regarding problems, which included drug selling and gang activities, at my corner and in my neighborhood, I would bring an experienced point of view.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I am a former union organizer, representative and lawyer for Local 2 which at the time was Hotel Employees & Restauant Employees Union (now UNITE HERE). I also worked as an attorney for the Retail Clerks Union, Local 1100, which is now UFCW, and it represents the cannabis workers. I recently worked as Staff Attorney for the California Labor Comissioner (5 years) which represents low-wage workers, primarily in the underground economy. I have extensive knowledge of the state's labor laws. The potential legalization of marijuana will have a tremendows effect upon our economy, its workers and business owners. Further, legalization will move the regulation of cannabis into the world of administrative law where I also have a great deal of experience. I am a former prosecutor (15 years) and worked closely with Terrence Hallinan and Kamala Harris who were and may yet still be important for the smooth introduction of recreational cannabis into our city. (Note that the Pathways Report headed by Lt. Governor Newsom stated that legalization will not be an event but a "process.") Mr. Hallinan and Ms. Harris attempted to balance the compassionate use of medical marijuans with publi safety and I expect we will need to do the same with recreational marijuana.

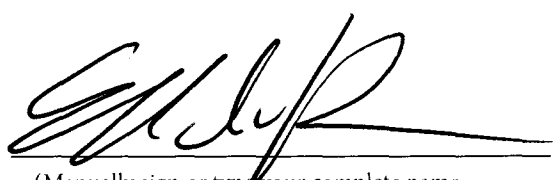
**Civic Activities:**

I am member of San Franciso Elks Club which provides many fund raisers and offerings for youth and veterans. I volunteer for the Success Center SF, which is a non-profit agency that provides educational services for adjudicated youth. I am active in my neighborhood with my neighbors and local merchants.

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

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Date: Septmeber 1, 2015 Applicant's Signature: (required)



(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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## Somera, Alisa (BOS)

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**From:** Su, Julie@DIR <JSu@dir.ca.gov>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 13, 2015 6:33 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Ms. Somera,

I am writing in support of Elliot Beckelman's application to be appointed to the Board of Supervisor's Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. I am the California Labor Commissioner, appointed by Governor Brown in April 2011. My job is to ensure that the strong labor laws that are the policy of the State are enforced in every workplace in California. I have 18 offices across the State and over 500 staff.

I met Elliot soon after I was appointed and he stood out from the beginning as an intelligent, thoughtful, creative attorney and a strong advocate for working people and their families. He could provide excellent counsel on the effect of legalization of cannabis including how it may affect our working families. As a former Assistant District Attorney and then an attorney for the Labor Commissioner, Elliot has a breadth of experience, combined with a deep knowledge of labor laws, unions, collective bargaining, and labor law enforcement in both traditional and nontraditional employee situations that would make him invaluable on your Task Force. He was instrumental in helping me to start the first Criminal Investigation Unit in a labor law enforcement agency in the country. Elliot is strong in his opinion while still being open to input and the opinions of others. I received consistent compliments on his ability to work in a team, to lead, and to get things done. In addition, he is a longtime resident of San Francisco with deep networks in various communities.

If you have any questions please contact me at the above email address. Thank you.

-Julie

Julie A. Su  
California Labor Commissioner

**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** lisa.jaicks@gmail.com on behalf of Lisa Jaicks <ljaicks@unitehere.org>  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 13, 2015 11:14 PM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** To The Honorable Board of Supervisors of San Francisco

To The Honorable Board of Supervisors of San Francisco

I am writing in support of Elliot Beckelman's application to be appointed to Seat 20, the labor chair, of the Board of Supervisors' Cannabis State Legalization Task Force. For identification purposes only, please note that I have been a member of Unite Here Local 2 for thirty-two years and an organizer with Unite Here for thirty years. In 1983 Elliot and I organized with our coworkers at a San Francisco restaurant and won union representation with Local 2 Unite Here. Following his years as a waiter, Elliot became an attorney and served as in-house council for Local 2. Since then, he continued to be a union member and activist and has taught and practiced labor and wage and hour law. He is a strong advocate for working people and their families. Elliot could provide excellent counsel on the effect of legalization of cannabis including how it may affect employees in the cannabis industry and our larger community of working families. If you have any questions please contact me at the above email address.

Thank you,  
Lisa Jaicks

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Lisa Jaicks  
(415) 994-7964  
[lisa.jaicks@gmail.com](mailto:lisa.jaicks@gmail.com)

**Somera, Alisa (BOS)**

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**From:** Local2@aol.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 15, 2015 10:34 AM  
**To:** Somera, Alisa (BOS)  
**Subject:** Cannabis State Legalization Task Force -- Seat 20 Labor Chair

San Francisco Board of Supervisors

Attention: Ms. Alisa Somera  
Assistant Clerk to the Board

*Dear Supervisors:*

I am writing to support the appointment of Elliot Beckelman to the **Cannabis State Legalization Task Force**. Elliot has deep experience with and respect for unions, labor law, and both the state and city's wage and hour regulations. He could provide thoughtful, well-informed counsel on the possible effect of the legalization of cannabis, especially on working people and their families.

I have known Elliot for most of the 30+ years he has called San Francisco home, first as a co-worker when he worked at Local 2 as an organizer and in-house counsel, and since as a friend. Elliot loves our city and wants to see it thrive in all its glorious diversity. He is also a pragmatic consensus-builder who can help shepherd a project to completion.

As a 30+ resident of San Francisco myself, and a member of my union, UNITE HERE Local 2, I feel strongly that Elliot would be a strong advocate for working people on this task force. (Please note I am writing as a citizen and union member, not on behalf of Local 2 or my employer, UNITE HERE International Union.)

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you for your consideration.

Kim Jackson  
[local2@aol.com](mailto:local2@aol.com)  
415-308-5897 (cell)  
1747 27th Avenue  
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Application for Boards, Commissions, Committees, & Task Forces

Name of Board, Commission, Committee, or Task Force: Cannabis State Legalization Task Force

Seat # or Category (If applicable): Seat #22 District: 9

Name: Spencer Williams

Home Address: [Redacted] Shotwell Street Zip: 94110

Home Phone: 619-871-9300 Occupation: Attorney

Work Phone: Employer: Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati

Business Address: Zip:

Business E-Mail: Home E-Mail: spencerwilliams89@gmail.com

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Registered voter in San Francisco: Yes [X] No [ ] If No, where registered:

Resident of San Francisco [X] 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:

I am a young San Francisco resident who is passionate about drug policy and criminal justice reform. I live in Bernal Heights and the law firm I work for has two offices in the city. I strongly believe that cannabis should be legalized for adult use and am committed to developing thoughtful policies pertaining to the adult use of cannabis in San Francisco. Cannabis needs to be regulated intelligently to ensure the safety of consumers and communities while at the same time not hindering the development of this emerging industry. This task force has an incredible opportunity to create a framework for adult use of cannabis that can be used as a model for regulations around the state. I would love to be a part of this process.

**Business and/or professional experience:**

I am familiar with the existing regulatory framework for medical cannabis in California as well as regulations of adult cannabis use in states such as Colorado and Washington and other countries. While at Stanford Law School, I wrote a detailed white paper on the regulation of recreational drugs in the United States. I can provide this white paper to the Board if desired. In addition, in my legal practice I work frequently with entrepreneurs and have a strong understanding of the needs of small businesses that will comprise much of the emerging cannabis industry.

**Civic Activities:**

I do pro bono education advocacy for students with disabilities and students facing expulsion.

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

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**Date:** 11/18/2015    **Applicant's Signature: (required)** Spencer Williams

(Manually sign or type your complete name.  
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**Please Note:** Your application will be retained for one year. Once Completed, this form, including all attachments, become public record.

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## Evans, Derek

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**From:** Spencer Williams <spencerwilliams89@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 02, 2015 3:17 PM  
**To:** Evans, Derek  
**Subject:** Unable to attend the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force hearing  
**Attachments:** Cannabis Task Force - Spencer Williams.pdf; Resume\_Spencer\_Williams.pdf

Hi Derek,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me just now.

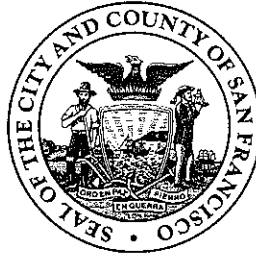
As I mentioned on the phone, I will be unable to attend the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force hearing on December 10th as I will be out of the country on my honeymoon. I am passionate about the cannabis industry and would love to serve on the task force. I would absolutely be present for the hearing if I were not out of the country.

I've attached my application to the task force as well as my resume. I will reach out to the staff members for the Rules Committee Supervisors as well as attempt to find someone to read written testimony on my behalf at the hearing.

Thank you,  
Spencer



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## VACANCY NOTICE

### CANNABIS STATE LEGALIZATION TASK FORCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN of the following vacancies:

**Vacant seat 9**, new appointment, must be an individual with at least two years of experience working in the cannabis industry, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

**Vacant seat 10**, new appointment, must be an owner or operator of a medical cannabis dispensary, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

**Vacant seat 11**, new appointment, must be an individual who uses cannabis for medicinal purposes and has at least two years of cannabis legalization advocacy experience, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

**Vacant seat 12**, new appointment, must be an individual who uses cannabis and has at least two years of cannabis legalization advocacy experience, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

**Vacant seat 13**, new appointment, must be an owner of a small business in San Francisco, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

**Vacant seat 14**, new appointment, must be an individual with experience working for, or on behalf of, the interests of businesses in San Francisco, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

**Vacant seat 15**, new appointment, must be an individual with experience working to advance the tourism or hospitality industry in San Francisco, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

**Vacant seat 16**, new appointment, must be an individual who represents a neighborhood association, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

**Vacant seat 17**, new appointment, must be an individual who represents a neighborhood association, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

**Vacant seat 18**, new appointment, must be an individual with experience in public health advocacy focusing on drug policy, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

**Vacant seat 19**, new appointment, must be an individual working in the entertainment or nightlife industry, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

**Vacant seat 20**, new appointment, must be a representative of a labor union that represents employees working in the cannabis industry, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

**Vacant seat 21**, new appointment, must be a public policy expert working for an organization focused on the formulation of good public policy, for a one-year term ending August 31, 2016.

**Vacant seat 22**, new appointment, must be an individual between the ages of 21 and 30 at the time of appointment, for a two-year term ending August 31, 2016.

Report: No later than one year after its inaugural meeting, and at least once in the 12 months thereafter, the Task Force shall submit a report to the Board of Supervisors describing the legislative activity in the State Legislature regarding possible legalization of cannabis; findings regarding legal, social, land use, and enforcement issues that are likely to arise in San Francisco if the State adopts proposed legislation through the legislative or electoral process; and recommendations regarding local implementation and enforcement of that potential legislation.

Sunset Date: The Task Force shall sunset on August 14, 2017, unless the Board of Supervisors extends the term by ordinance.

Additional Information relating to the Cannabis State Legalization Task Force may be obtained by reviewing Administrative Code, Sections 5.2-1 through 5.2-7, available at <http://www.sfbos.org/sfmunicodes>.

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 Rules Committee Clerk, 1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 244, San Francisco, CA 94102-4689. Completed applications should be submitted to the Clerk of the Board. 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. The appointment(s) of the individual(s) who are recommended by the Rules Committee will be forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for final approval.

*Please Note: Depending upon the posting date, these vacancies may have already been filled. To determine if vacancies for this Board are still available, or if you require additional information, please call the Rules Committee Clerk at (415) 554-4447.*



Angela Calvillo  
Clerk of the Board

DATED/POSTED: August 19, 2015

San Francisco  
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Date Printed: August 28, 2015

Date Established:

August 14, 2015

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**CANNABIS STATE LEGALIZATION TASK FORCE**

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**Contact and Address:**

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Department of Public Health  
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San Francisco, CA 94102

Phone: (415) 554-2621

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Email: [mavis.asiedu-frimpong@sfdph.org](mailto:mavis.asiedu-frimpong@sfdph.org)

**Authority:**

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Administrative Code, Section 5.2-1 through 5.2-7 (Ordinance No. 115-15)

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**Board Qualifications:**

The Cannabis State Legalization Task Force (Task Force) was established to advise the Board of Supervisors, the Mayor, and other City departments on matters relating to the potential legalization of cannabis so that the policymakers are fully prepared to address policy questions through legislation and administrative actions, following the adoption of a State law.

The Task Force consists of 22 members (seats 1 through 7 shall be non-voting members):

**DEPARTMENT HEAD MEMBERS**

- > Seat 1: Director of the Department of Public Health, or his/her designee
- > Seat 2: Chief of the Fire Department, or his/her designee
- > Seat 3: Chief of the Police Department, his/her designee
- > Seat 4: Director of the Department of Building Inspection, or his/her designee
- > Seat 5: Director of Planning, or his/her designee
- > Seat 6: Executive Director of the Entertainment Commission, or his/her designee
- > Seat 7: Executive Director of the California Board of Equalization, or his/her designee (if the Executive Director declines and fails to appoint a designee for 60 days or longer, the Board of Supervisors may appoint a member of the public)
- > Seat 8: Superintendent of the San Francisco Unified School District, or his/her designee which may include a Member of the Board of Education (if the Superintendent declines and fails to appoint a designee for 60 days or longer, the Board of Supervisors may appoint a member of the public)

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### PUBLIC MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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- > Seat 12: Must be an individual who uses cannabis and has at least two years of cannabis legalization advocacy experience.
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- > Seat 14: Must be an individual with experience working for, or on behalf of, the interests of businesses in San Francisco.
- > Seat 15: Must be an individual with experience working to advance the tourism or hospitality industry in San Francisco.
- > Seats 16 and 17: Must be individuals who represent neighborhood associations.
- > Seat 18: Must be an individual with experience in public health advocacy focusing on drug policy.
- > Seat 19: Must be an individual working in the entertainment or nightlife industry.
- > Seat 20: Must be a representative of a labor union that represents employees working in the cannabis industry.
- > Seat 21: Must be a public policy expert working for an organization focused on the formulation of good public policy.
- > Seat 22: Must be an individual between the ages of 21 and 30 at the time of appointment.

The Public Members in seats 9 through 22 shall serve for a term of one year. The initial term for each seat shall begin on August 31, 2015. At the end of the one-year term, the Board of Supervisors may reappoint the member by written motion without soliciting applications from additional applicants.

The Department of Public Health shall provide clerical and administrative support and staffing for the Task Force. The Task Force shall hold a regular meeting not less than five times per year.

Annual Report: No later than one year after its inaugural meeting, and at least once in the 12 months thereafter, the Task Force shall submit a report to the Board of Supervisors describing the legislative activity in the State Legislature regarding possible legalization of cannabis; findings regarding legal, social, land use, and enforcement issues that are likely to arise in San Francisco if the State adopts proposed legislation through the legislative or electoral process; and recommendations regarding local implementation and enforcement of that potential legislation.

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