

1 [Administrative, Campaign and Governmental Conduct Codes - Office of the Chief Medical
2 Examiner]

3 **Ordinance amending the Administrative Code and Campaign and Governmental**
4 **Conduct Code to establish the position of Executive Director of the Office of Chief**
5 **Medical Examiner, and to establish a division of responsibilities in that Office between**
6 **the Executive Director and the Chief Medical Examiner.**

7 NOTE: **Unchanged Code text and uncodified text** are in plain Arial font.
8 **Additions to Codes** are in *single-underline italics Times New Roman font*.
9 **Deletions to Codes** are in *strikethrough italics Times New Roman font*.
10 **Board amendment additions** are in double-underlined Arial font.
11 **Board amendment deletions** are in ~~strikethrough Arial font~~.
12 **Asterisks (* * * *)** indicate the omission of unchanged Code
13 subsections or parts of tables.

14 Be it ordained by the People of the City and County of San Francisco:

15 Section 1. Article XVII of Chapter 2A of the Administrative Code is hereby amended by
16 revising Section 2A.250, to read as follows:

17 **ARTICLE XVII:**

18 **DEPARTMENT OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER**

19 **SEC. 2A.250. OFFICE OF THE CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER.**

20 (a) **The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.** There shall be an Office of the Chief
21 Medical Examiner that shall carry out the functions and duties set forth in California Government
22 Code Sections 27460 et seq., as may be amended from time to time, as well as any other functions
23 assigned to the Office by State law, by ordinance, or by the City Administrator provided that those
24 duties are consistent with the Office's duties under State law and are otherwise permitted under local
25 law.

1 **(b) Appointment and Removal of Chief Medical Examiner and Executive Director.** The
2 City Administrator, with the concurrence of the Mayor, shall appoint and may remove a Chief
3 Medical Examiner who shall meet the qualifications for Chief Medical Examiner as provided
4 by ~~the~~ State law. The City Administrator also shall appoint and may remove an Executive Director. The
5 Executive Director shall not be required to meet the qualifications of a Chief Medical Examiner.

6 **(c) Duties and Functions of the Chief Medical Examiner and Executive Director.** The
7 Chief Medical Examiner shall appoint and supervise the work and performance of all assistant or
8 deputy medical examiners in the Office, and shall be responsible for making all final decisions assigned
9 to a medical examiner or coroner under California Government Code Sections 27460 et seq., as may
10 be amended from time to time. ~~The Chief Medical Examiner~~ In all other respects, the Executive
11 Director shall serve as department head and appointing officer for the Office, and shall be
12 responsible for administrative supervision of all employees of the Office including the Chief Medical
13 Examiner and shall succeed to all of the duties of the Coroner. The Executive Director shall appoint
14 all employees in the Office, except the positions of assistant or deputy medical examiner. The City
15 Administrator may assign additional duties to the Executive Director as the City Administrator deems
16 appropriate.

17 **(d) Whenever the position of Executive Director is vacant, the City Administrator shall**
18 assign an employee in the Office or in the General Services Agency to assume the duties and
19 responsibilities of the Executive Director set forth in this Section 2A.250 on an interim basis until the
20 City Administrator appoints an Executive Director.

21 **(e)** The Office ~~Department~~ shall include such other officers and employees as are
22 authorized pursuant to the budgetary and fiscal provisions of the Charter.

23 **(b) Duties and Functions.** ~~The Office of the Chief Medical Examiner Department shall be~~
24 ~~responsible for the duties of the Medical Examiner as provided by state law, and such other duties and~~
25 ~~functions as assigned pursuant to the Charter or by ordinance.~~

1 Chief Medical Examiner 1
2 Executive Director 1
3 ~~Administrator~~ 1
4 Assistant Medical Examiner 1
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7 Section 3. Effective Date. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after
8 enactment. Enactment occurs when the Mayor signs the ordinance, the Mayor returns the
9 ordinance unsigned or does not sign the ordinance within ten days of receiving it, or the Board
10 of Supervisors overrides the Mayor’s veto of the ordinance.

12 Section 4. Scope of Ordinance. In enacting this ordinance, the Board of Supervisors
13 intends to amend only those words, phrases, paragraphs, subsections, sections, articles,
14 numbers, punctuation marks, charts, diagrams, or any other constituent parts of the Municipal
15 Code that are explicitly shown in this ordinance as additions, deletions, Board amendment
16 additions, and Board amendment deletions in accordance with the “Note” that appears under
17 the official title of the ordinance.

19 APPROVED AS TO FORM:
20 DENNIS J. HERRERA, City Attorney

21 By: /s/
22 JON GIVNER
23 Deputy City Attorney

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