

**AC TRANSIT DISTRICT
Board of Directors
Executive Summary**

GM Memo No. 02-149

Meeting Date: May 2, 2002

Committees:

Executive Committee
External Affairs Committee

Operations Committee
Planning Committee

Board of Directors

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF THE SELECTION OF A DIRECTOR TO SERVE AS BOARD PRESIDENT FOR THE REMAINDER OF FORMER PRESIDENT WILLIAMS' TERM AND THE SELECTION OF A DIRECTOR TO SERVE THE REMAINDER OF THE BOARD VICE PRESIDENT'S TERM IF THE VICE PRESIDENT IS SELECTED AS THE BOARD PRESIDENT

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Information Only Recommended Motion

1. Move the selection of Director _____ as the Board President for the remainder of the unexpired term of former Board President Williams.
2. Move the selection of Director _____ as the Board Vice President for the remainder of the unexpired term of Vice President Peoples. (This motion is necessary only if Vice President Peoples is selected as Board President.)

Fiscal Impact: None

Background/Discussion:

Board President Matt Williams, at the April 18th Board meeting, submitted his resignation as a Director of the District, effective Friday, April 19, 2002.

BOARD ACTION: **Approved as Recommended** [] **Other** []
 Approved with Modification(s) []

[To be filled in by District Secretary after Board/Committee Meeting]

The above order was passed and adopted on _____, 2002.

Rose Martinez, District Secretary

By _____

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Unlike the rule of succession in the Federal and State Constitutions, Transit District Law and Board Policy Number 100 do not provide for the immediate succession of the Vice President to the position of President upon a permanent vacancy in that office.

Public Utilities Code section 24882 provides, in part:

"The board shall choose one of its members president, and another vice president, who shall be authorized to act for the president during his absence or disability"

Section 2.11 of Board Policy No. 100 implements the above provision of Transit District Law. (The section is attached for the Board's information.) Subsection (2) addresses the issue of a permanent vacancy:

"Upon a permanent vacancy in either the President or Vice President position, the Board shall elect one of its members to fill the vacant position."

Therefore, while Vice President Peoples properly assumes the duties of the President, pending the selection of a new President, he does not automatically assume the mantle of President of the Board.

If the Vice President is selected as President for the remainder of former President Williams' term, then a vacancy will occur in the Vice President's position and a selection of a Director to fill out the balance of that term will be required. The Board needs to have both a President and a Vice President because they are both members of the Executive Committee. Also, when a member of another committee is absent, the Vice President, and in his/her absence, the President serves on the committee.

Prior Relevant Board Actions/Policies:

Board Policy No. 100

Attachments:

Section 2.11, Board Policy No. 100

Approved by: Kenneth C. Scheidig, General Counsel
Prepared by: Kenneth C. Scheidig, General Counsel
Date Prepared: April 25, 2002

SECTION 2.11

SELECTION OF PRESIDENT/VICE PRESIDENT

- (a) Term. During the first regular Board of Directors meeting in January of each year, the Board shall elect one of its members as President and one of its members as Vice President. The regular term of office for the President and Vice President shall be one year; however, the President and Vice President shall serve at the pleasure of the Board of Directors.
- (b) Absences of President/Vice President. If the President is absent or temporarily unable to serve, the Vice President shall assume the duties of the President. Except for the purposes of electing a President and Vice President, if the President and Vice President are both absent from any meeting and/or are unable to act, the meeting shall be called to order by the District Secretary, whereupon the District Secretary shall immediately call for the selection of a Temporary Presiding Officer.
- (c) Permanent Vacancies. Upon a permanent vacancy in either the President or Vice President position, the Board shall elect one of its members to fill the vacant position.
- (d) Limit. A member of the Board may be elected and serve in the position of President for no more than two consecutive years or the position of Vice President for more than two consecutive years. Thereafter, another Board member shall be selected as President or Vice President, respectively, for at least one year.
- (e) Failure to Elect. If the Board fails to elect a President or Vice President, the existing President or Vice President shall continue in said office until the Board elects a successor.

NOTICE OF VACANCY TO BE FILLED ON THE ALAMEDA-CONTRA COSTA TRANSIT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A vacancy exists on the Board of Directors of the Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District (AC Transit) representing the District At-Large. A Director At-Large is elected by and represents the entire District. Any person interested in filling this vacancy must live and be registered to vote within the geographical boundaries of the District, which includes all East Bay cities (except Union City) and adjacent unincorporated communities (west of the hills) from Richmond/San Pablo on the north to Fremont in the south.

The person filling this seat will serve out the unexpired remainder of the term of former AC Transit Director Matt Williams (until the first Friday in December 2002).

The new Director will be expected to participate in regular meetings of the Board of Directors, normally held on the first Thursday of each month at 6:00 p.m. and third Thursday of each month at 3:00 p.m. Additionally, the duties include servicing on one or more Board Committees (which normally meet on the same Thursday afternoons of each month as Board Meetings), attendance at special meetings and attendance at other meetings as required. Members of the Board receive compensation in the amount of \$100 for attending a Board or Committee meeting, and other authorized meetings, with the monthly compensation limited by law to \$500 per month.

Directors are required by the Political Reform Act of 1974 (California Government Code section 81000, et seq.) to file a Disclosure of Assets form within 30 days of taking office and then annually. The individual selected to fill this vacancy will be required to comply with these requirements.

The tentative schedule for filling the vacancy is as follows:

May 20, 2002:	Application deadline (2:00 p.m.)
To Be Announced:	Board interviews applicants (all or a selection number)
June 18, 2002:	Last date to make appointment to fill vacancy

Persons wishing to be considered for appointment to the Board of Directors must submit the following:

1. Resume.
2. A statement or letter of not more than two pages expressing the applicant's interest in and qualifications for selection, including pertinent experience and time availability.
3. Letters of recommendation from three individuals.

This information must be addressed to the AC Transit Board President and hand delivered on or before Monday, May 20, 2002, to Rose Martinez, District Secretary, AC Transit District, 1600 Franklin Street, 10th Floor, Oakland, California 94612. Each applicant is requested to advise the District Secretary of any dates between May 20 and June 18 that he/she would be unavailable for the scheduled appointment for a presentation to the Board of Directors at the time they deliver their application information.

For further information, contact the District Secretary at (510) 891-7284.



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DISTRICT SECRETARY'S OFFICE

Public Comment

20 MAY 02
R. NEVELN
AC/RLTR

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To: AC TRANSIT
District Secretary
Rose Martinez

For: Directors

Subj: Application for Appointment as Director
"Letters" from others as attachments
to Statement Letter, Resume and interview considerations

From: Richard P. Neveln
P.O. Box 3650
Oakland, CA 94609-0650
(510) 448-1234 (Voice-mail/Pager)

Fax 814-7321

Dear Friends;

1. My application contained three written statements about my abilities and record as it relates to the possibility of future activities.

2. The first "letter" is labeled as a Certificate of Appreciation which is signed by the Mayor of Alameda, Ralph Appezato. If it were to have a different heading it would be a classic letter of recommendation.

3. My "letter" number two, in two sheets, is an evaluation letter on a federal form by David Wilson, now the EBCRC Executive Director and staff to Congresswoman Barbara Lee. It is only the "form" that makes this different from a letter of recommendation, and is therefore effectively the second such letter of recommendation.

4. The third "letter" is from a City of Berkeley official, Carol Amirkhanian. It relate to volunteer work, like serving as an AC Transit Director. The complimentary nature of the letter is similar to the body text of any "letter of recommendation" and is just different in form alone and is my third very relevant letter of recommendation.

5. I believe the letters reflect my knowledge, skills and abilities as they relate to public service positions. They are all comments about my activities in non-paid positions.

6. There is no specification presented as to what form the "Official" letter of recommendation is to take.

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R. NEVELN
AC/RLTR

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To: AC TRANSIT
District Secretary
Rose Martinez

For: Directors

7. I would tend to submit that personnel policy on "applications" to AC Transit include a process for corrections, and do not call for the total rejection of any application ONLY because of missing or forgotten items, if the application is substantively complete.

8. This would be akin to refusing an applicant's job application because they forgot to sign the bottom of the back of one sheet, or neglected to number the pages.

9. There is usually also a scoring system as part of any personnel review process. Since this a "Public" position, the process should also be a public process. With less than 20 applicants, let all applicants be considered on merit.

10. Please remember that I was present when the resignation of Director Matt Williams was declared an "emergency" and required action that evening.

11. Resignation of a director does not affect public safety, or life or property, and is therefore NOT VALID as a reason to add something at the end of a meeting with NO PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE AGENDA ITEM. This was a clear violation of the Ralph M. Brown Open Meetings Law.

12. It could then be asserted that anything that was done subsequent to and directly because of that invalid action, it itself invalid.

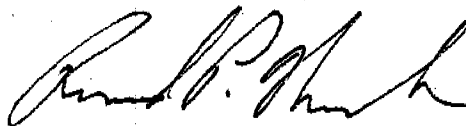
13. Therefore, please keep the selection process elastic, and all applicants subject to public review, where oral arguments and possibly additional paper submissions could be considered.

14. ~~Copies of faxed letters received after 2 pm attached.~~ *RPN*
(Rhetorical question: Would they be invalidated because they were copies of, or a fax, and did not contain an "original" depression and inked signature. (?) Did you accept anyones ap that contained copies of letters WITHOUT original signatures ? Not a legal document (?).

15. Be inclusive.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Yours truly;



Richard P. Neveln

Incomplete application

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To: AC TRANSIT
District Secretary, Rose Martinez
1600 Franklin Street, 10th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

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MAY 20 2002

Subj: Application Statement
for Appointment as Director At-Large
to Fill the Unexpired Term, Now Vacant

DISTRICT SECRETARY'S OFFICE

From: Richard F. Neveln
P.O. Box 3650 Fax 814-7321
Oakland, CA 94609-0650
(510)448-1234 (Voice-mail/Pager)

Dear Friends;

1. I have had a focus on Public Transit since my days as an Analyst in the Production Engineering Department at then Naval Aviation Depot, Alameda California. I began there in 1989 and was tasked and trained in the Navy Methods and Standards of work measurement, and the determination of task time standards of aircraft and aircraft parts overhaul and maintenance. I rode to work every day via the 62 bus to downtown, as I lived in Oakland near Highland Hospital at the time. I would then take the "T" bus to the Naval Air Station in Alameda.

2. I became involved in the public process with the trying to save the military bases as National Assets, and then with closure worked for effective reuse. I was on several of the EBCRC (East Bay Conversion and Reinvestment Committee) Sub-Committees. Making sure the Displaced workers were represented and that public transit was there to serve them was always part of my reoccurring message.

3. I was also on several BRAG (Base Reuse Advisory Group) Committees dealing with the same issues for this City Of Alameda Committee.

4. In 1995 when the Oakland Army Base was slated for closure I was appointed to the WOCAG (West Oakland Community Advisory Group) as I had the EBCRC and BRAG experience, and lived in Oakland at that time. Public Transit issues and keeping BUS Lines operation while the Oakland Army Base has been transitioned with leasing has been one of my constant messages, along with traffic management and trucking issues with the Port of Oakland.

5. In the middle of the 1990's I moved to Alameda and ran, without success for a seat on the Alameda City Council.

To: AC TRANSIT

6. I saw the need to improved management of transit in the City of Alameda also in the Middle 1990's, and letters and proding lead to the formation of a broad base citizens committee called the Public Transit Committee, for the City of Alameda. This imtortant Committee among other work completed a General Plan Ammendment regarding public transit. It was also the only committee showing it's importance by having two of the five city council members as co-chair of the committee.

7. Early in the process public interest in this committee, and perhaps because of a little of my urging, the PTC committee meetings were thereafter televiced on the local cable channel.

8. I am a regular at AC Transit meetings as one of the few and often the only member of the public present for the proceedings. I have commented on items on a regular basis speaking up for better customer service and more certain customer contact in the case of their contacting AC Transit.

9. My regular attendance at the meetings would mean that there would be little required to "getting up to speed" as part of the current AC Transit Board. I know to and have spoken with most of the key staff and there again time saving with my appointment would save the District some money.

10. I reguarlry ride other local transit systems, BART, MUNI, SamTrans, and could add the perspective of other system operations to the AC Transit Board meetings and issues.

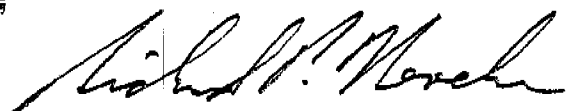
11. I work in Colma for Home Depot, I ride public transit there using two bus systems and two BART trains each work day. The Home Depot has flexible schedules so I could attend any meeting with reasonable notice. Retail means I work every weekend, and I have regularly scheduled Wednesday's and Thursday's off, so I can attend the AC Transit Meetings, BART meetings, and many of the MTC meetings. It is likely that my availability is 100%.

12. I believe my Engineering background, as well as Navy Methods and Standards background, would add breadth and depth to the current AC Transit Board of Directors.

13. I ask for your vote of support.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Yours truly;



Richard P. Neveln

RICHARD P NEVELN

P.O. Box 3650, Oakland, CA. 94609-0650
Fax (510) 814 - 7321 Pager (510) 448-1234

Objective: DIRECTOR , AC TRANSIT

HIGHLIGHTS of Qualifications:

- ★ Expert Trouble-Shooter and Innovative Problem Solver
Looks outside normal parameters.
- ★ Many years Varied Experience; Engineering, Quality Assurance, Audits,
Manufacturing, Methods & Standards/ Documentation Expert
- ★ Thorough Knowledge of Remodeling, Restoration, and Construction,
extensive hands-on work
- ★ Rated HIGHLY QUALIFIED, (U.S Govt Titles & #'s)
General Engineer GS-801-12, Mechanical Engineer GS-830-11/12
Program Analyst GS-343-11, Aero-Space Engineer GS-861-11/12
- ★ Technical Writer/Editor of reports, procedures and proposals

Technical Skills: Operate Macintosh & IBM-PC home computers and laptops;
word processing, graphics, and drawing software, some programing
Own and operate oscilloscope and other electronic test equipment, and associated tools
Own and operate small lathe, and can operate lathe, milling machine and other shop tools
Model builder 30 years & R/C Pilot and systems modifier over 20 years

Education and Formal Training:

Sun Angel Engineering Scholarship
B. S. E. , Aero-Space Mechanical Engineering, Arizona State University, Tempe
Effective Communications, Pueblo Army Depot
Sergeant Missile System, Pueblo Army Depot
Reliability and Maintainability Program Planning and Administration,
for the Naval Ship Systems Command, by ARINC, in Annapolis, Maryland
Value Engineering Program Development and Implementation,
for the Naval Ship Systems Command, by Harborage House Consultants, in San Francisco
Hydraulic & Pneumatic Systems Design, S. F. Bay Naval Shipyard
Defense Work Methods and Standards, NADEP Alameda
Methods Time Measurement, via the MTM Assn., Naval Aviation Depot, Alameda

Publications:

"A Survey of ... Astrophysical, Biomedical, and Engineering Instrumentation",
Read and Abstract all Relevant Data Compilations and Books in the ASU Engineering Library,
NASA Contract #NASr-180, Co-Author, Summer 1963

Presently working with several Political Leaders and Various Committees
on Military Base Conversion, primarily Naval Air Station & Naval Aviation Depot, Alameda

References, Evaluations & Letters of Recommendation Available on Request

RICHARD P NEVELN
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Work History:

- JAN 2000 to PRESENT HOME DEPOT, COLMA, CA
ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT
STORE MANAGER: KURT WARR
(650) 755-9600
- 1996 - PRESENT MEMBER WOCAG
1999 - 2001 MEMBER PTC, ALAMEDA
- 1996 - PRESENT PART-TIME TECHNICAL ASSISTANT
ADDED VALUE STORAGE, OAKLAND
MANAGER: PAULETTE POWELL 533-2500
- 1998 to 2000 - FOOTHILL HARDWARE, OAKLAND
ELECTRICAL DEPARTMENT
- 1996 to 1998 - GRAND LAKE ACE HARDWARE, PIEDMONT
TOOL DEPARTMENT
- 1995 to 1996 - ADMIN. ASSISTANT TO PROPERTY & SALVAGE
DEPT., ALAMEDA COUNTY
MANAGER: SAUL FERDAN

RICHARD P NEVELN

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Work History:

- 1989-93 Industrial Engineering Tech.- Naval Aviation Depot, Alameda
Audit Work Standards, Publications, and Data, Assist Shops and Quality Dept. to get Tech
Documentation in Conformance with Navy Standards 1989-91, Methods & Standards Division.
- 1988-92 Publish Modelers Newsletter & Airfoil Plotting by computer service
- 1979-89 "Rich Neveln Home Repair" Apartment Restoration & Home Repair
- 1969-79 Manage Repair & Maintenance for one owner with 128 buildings, worth 4 to 6 million
Development Engineer, Oximetrix, S. F. Medical Electronic Instrument Development
Facilities and Production Engr.- Hospital Systems, Hospital Modular Patient Service Units
Mechanical Engineer, Pacific Oxygen & Kaiser Aluminum, Can Division - Oakland
Q. A. Environmental Test Tech, Systron Donner, Concord (Missile Guidance Components)
- 1968-69 Design Advisor, to U. S. Army, moving targets & instrumented ranges, Mellonics Div. of Litton,
Fort Benning, Ga.
- 1966-68 Design Engineer, Shipboard Weapons Systems installation and modification, S. F. BAY NAVAL
SHIPYARD, Hunters Point, S. F. Designer of changes, writer of test procedures, supervisor of
tests and installations, and solver of difficult problems on; U. S. Naval Missile Handling
Equipment; Aircraft Launch and Recovery Machinery; Industrial Equipment Problems &
Placement
- 1964-66 Production Engineer, Tracked Vehicle & Missile Systems Rebuild, ARMY DEPOT,
Pueblo, Colorado.
- 1960-64 Teaching Assistant/Grader, Arizona State University, Engineering Department
1960-62 Machinist/Mechanic, Etc. ASU Engineering Dept. Development Shop

Outside Interests:

Flying, Photography, Watercolors, Guitar & 6-hole Flute, model building, public speaking,
& The EAST BAY CONVERSION and REINVESTMENT COMMISSION (EBCRC) Committees
& The Alameda BRAG (City of Alameda "Base Reuse Advisory Group").
Member of EBCRC: Environmental, Job Creation & Technology, Public Involvement,
and Facilities & Utilities Committees
Member of the BRAG: Environmental, Reuse, Jobs & Training, and Community Involvement
Committees.
AND member of the Navy's RAB (Remediation Advisory Board)'s Reuse Focus Group.
Frequent contributor to the Editorial Page of local Newspaper

References, Evaluations & Letters of Recommendation Available on Request

LETTERS of RECOMMENDATION
ARE to be Sent To ME
By SOME VERY Basy PEOPLE
UNTIL THAT TIME ARRIVES
PLEASE Accept the Following
AS SOMETHING OF GENERAL
Letters of Recommendation

Richard P. Merwin


Certificate of Appreciation


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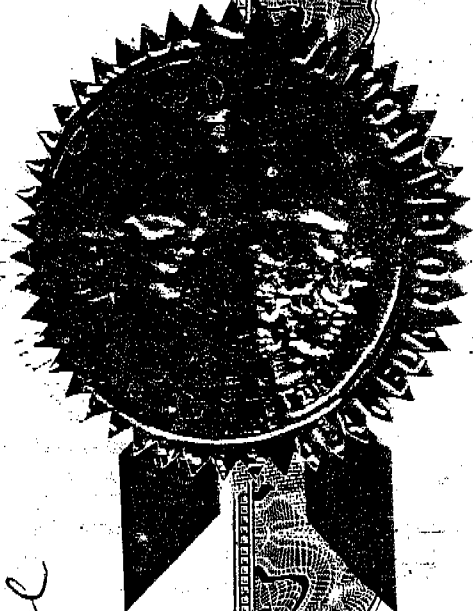
Richard Neveln

You are hereby recognized for your service to the City of Alameda through your participation in the Public Transit Committee. The Public Transit Committee, formed by City Council on July 6, 1999, was charged with the responsibility of identifying and resolving existing public transit issues and developing a public transit plan. Before the Committee's sunset on August 30, 2001, the Committee was successful in convincing AC Transit to improve bus routes to Alameda Point and to restore some evening services to Bay Farm Island; getting Council's adoption of Alameda's Transit First Policy; implementing red curbs for bus stops along Santa Clara Avenue and completing a Long Range Transit Plan. Through your diligent efforts, the public transportation system in the City of Alameda has been improved for all.

Presented this 2nd day of April, 2002


Ralph Appenzano
Mayor


James M. Flint
City Manager



Mr. Neveln has been exceptional in his participation in developing innovations and analysis of remediation procedures and policies for closing military facilities. His level of effort and written contributions to a broad range of environmental issues has been exemplary.

His oral communication skills and willingness to grapple complex issues in public forums and on a one to one basis of officials of all levels has been consistent and with purpose.

Mr. Neveln's knowledge of environmental regulation have become progressively more comprehensive and his analytic ability to absorb complex interrelationships and make them intelligible is impressive.

RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

WALTER J. TONEY, DIRECTOR

LOUISE JOHNEON, RECREATION DIVISION

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PAUL BUTTERLEY, MARINA DIVISION

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Mr. Richard Neveln
6397 Colby Street
Oakland, California 94618

Dear Mr. Neveln:


The proposal you forwarded concerning Model Airplane classes was excellent. I gave a copy to the Senior Supervisor, Jesse Washington, who supervises the Recreation Centers in Berkeley.

As I explained, the Enrichment Program has no classes during the Summer months: Your application for enrichment specialist will be held for consideration in the Fall, 1971.

All reports of your volunteer work at Longfellow have been very complimentary and it is rewarding to see such enthusiasm.

Thank you for the organized presentation.

Sincerely,



Carol Amirghanian
Program Coordinator

A RESEARCH organization polled 500 executives, asking them what traits they thought were most important in dealing with others. From the information received, five basic "rules" were formulated. They are:

1. Always give your people the credit that is rightfully theirs. To do otherwise is both morally and ethically dishonest.

2. Be courteous. Have genuine consideration for other people's feelings, wishes and situations.

3. Never tamper with the truth. Never *rationalize*. What you might *like* to believe is not necessarily the truth.

4. Be concise in your writing and talking, especially when giving instructions to others.

5. Be generous. Remember that it is the productivity of *others* that makes possible your executive position.

All I Ever Really Needed To Know I Learned In Kindergarten

by Robert Fulghum

Most of what I really need to know about how to live, what to do, and how to be, I learned in kindergarten. Wisdom was not at the top of the graduate school mountain, but there in the sandbox at nursery school.

These are things I learned: Share everything. Play fair. Don't hit people. Put things back where you found them. Clean up your own mess. Don't take things that aren't yours. Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody. Wash your hands before you eat. Flush. Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you. Live a balanced life. Learn some and draw and paint and sing and dance and play and work every day some. Take a nap every afternoon. When you go out into the world, watch for traffic, hold hands, and stick together. Be aware of wonder. Remember the little seed in the plastic cup. The roots go down and the plant goes up and nobody knows how or why, but we are all like that.

Goldfish and hamsters and white mice and even the little seed in the plastic cup—they all die. So do we.

And then remember the book about Dick and Jane and the first word you learned, the biggest word of all: LOOK. Everything you need to know is in there somewhere. The Golden Rule and love and basic sanitation. Ecology and politics and sane living.

Think of what a better world it would be if we all—the whole world—had cookies and milk about 3 o'clock every afternoon and lay down with our blankets for a nap. Or if we had a basic policy in our nation and other nations always to put things back where we found them and cleaned up our own messes. And it is still true, no matter how old you are, when you go out into the world, it is best to hold hands and stick together.

Robert Fulghum is minister emeritus of the Edmonds, Wash., Unitarian Church.



Expecting Letters From:

ALIZA GALLO, OBRA Exec Director

AL DeWitt, ALAMEDA VICE Mayor

BEVERLY JOHNSON, ALAMEDA CITY COUNCIL PERSON

OR

ELLEN WYRICK - PARKINSON WEST OAKLAND

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DISTRICT SECRETARY'S OFFICE

OBRA

Oakland Base Reuse Authority

700 Murmansk Street, Suite 3

Oakland, CA 94607

(510) 238-7256 Facsimile (510) 238-2936

May 20, 2002

TO: Whom It May Concern:

FR: Aliza Gallo
Executive Director

Subject: Recommendation of Richard Neveln for AC Transit Director

Dear Friend:

I know Richard Neveln through his work with the West Oakland Community Advisory Group (WOCAG) to the Oakland Base Reuse Authority (OBRA), the local reuse authority for the City of Oakland.

The WOCAG is focused on the community reuse and development of the former Oakland Army Base in West Oakland. Richard has served on the WOCAG since its development in 1996.

As Executive Director of the OBRA for several years, I have found Mr. Neveln thoughtful and focused on the needs of the community.

Public transit to the area has been one of his interests in many meetings. As a result of his urging, contacts with AC Transit were established. His technical skill in analysis is obvious and concerns for congestion reduction are also clearly focused and thoughtful comments at meetings of both the WOCAG and the OBRA.

I believe he would serve the public well as an AC Transit Director and request that you consider his appointment.

Sincerely,

Aliza Gallo by peterson

Aliza Gallo
Executive Director

(Duplicate original)

RICHARD NEVELN

1328 PARK STREET, SUITE 8

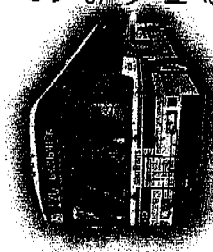
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DISTRICT SECRETARY'S OFFICE

Rose Martinez
District Secretary
AC Transit
1600 Franklin Street
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Rose Martinez,

I am submitting this resume/statement to the AC Transit Board Members to apply for the vacant seat on your board. My name address, and telephone number are referenced above.

To give you a fuller sense of my qualifications and reasons for wanting to be on the AC Transit Board, I am presenting them in a semi-formal, semi-narrative form:

My formal education credentials are these:

B.A. Sociology, U.C. Berkeley

M.Div. San Francisco Theological Seminary

Ph.D., candidate Historical Studies, Graduate Theological Union

My primary work experience, over the years, has been as a teacher. From 1974-1982, I taught adult school courses in World Affairs and Current Events to patients in convalescent homes through the Berkeley Adult School and Pleasant Valley Adult School (Oakland).

From 1982-1990, I taught a variety of courses in the Black Studies department at San Francisco State University including courses in Modern African History, African American History and Religion, and Reading and Composition.

From 1984-1996, I taught at U.C. Berkeley, first teaching courses on African American Religion and Culture in the African American Studies department, and later teaching an Advanced Reading and Composition course there, as well as an Introductory Reading and Composition course in the College Writing Program, when I came to hold a joint position as lecturer.

I have also been a visiting lecturer in the Black Studies department, at San Jose State University, teaching two African American History courses, 1984-1985; and during the 1992-1993 academic year, I taught two courses on African American Religion in the Religion department at Santa Clara University.

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I am also an ordained minister and an Associate Pastor at the Church for Today in Berkeley, since my ordination in 1973. Along with two other fellow ministers at the church, we established Ministry for the Elderly. Initially, we visited seniors in convalescent homes, which led to all of us doing some adult school teaching. In the mid 1970s, I and one of my colleagues became deeply involved with one senior in particular, Ms. Esther Gabriel in conceiving, lobbying city officials and others to support, and bringing to fruition what today is the West Berkeley Senior Center; and I served on its board for three years.

Additionally, I have also served on the boards of several other organizations: the Center for Urban-Black Studies, an educational organization in Berkeley; C.H.A.N.G.E., a community mental health organization in South Berkeley, co-founded by Congresswoman Barbara Lee, where I served for two years as its president; and Berkeley Youth Alternatives, a social service organization serving at risk youth, where I served for four years, the last as president.

In addition to the above I served on the Budget and Finance Committee, a committee whose members were appointees of school board members of the Berkeley Unified School District; our charge was to advise the board on fiscal matters. Finally, I have volunteered as a sponsor for Today's Artists Concerts (TAC) (presently Four Seasons Concerts) and for a time Ministry for the Elderly coordinated and provided transportation for seniors and others to TAC's annual concert series.

My interest in transportation is a long-standing one. As one who has driven for many years, I do not need the news media to give me all of the statistical data to let me know how increasingly congested our freeways, and for that matter, our city streets are becoming from driving and how much harm pollution is doing to our environment and personal health; I have experienced both first hand. I can truthfully say that whenever it is possible, I have taken public transportation because I realize it has several benefits: 1) it obviously reduces pollution; 2) more often than not it is cheaper; 3) it promotes both my physical and mental health. When I taught at San Francisco State I saw all these benefits through my travels on BART. During these trips, I was able to relax and avoid the tension and energy that driving, exacts on the mind and body, I was able to read and to work, and relished being free from the hassle of parking and the inconvenience of having to find a place to park much farther away from the campus than where the bus that connected with BART dropped me off--directly in front of the campus. When I taught at U.C. Berkeley I experienced the same convenience taking BART on AC Transit.

All of this use of public transportation has made me actually aware of the importance of public transportation and the need to increase its use and efficiency. Again, the proliferation in our wasteful use of automobiles only exacerbates the deterioration of our physical as well as emotional health. I want to increase the rider ship of AC Transit because I realize that to do so will serve these ends. I also realize that to do so AC Transit must be accessible, affordable, convenient, and it must run on time if the public is to see it as a desirable and preferable option. Furthermore, I know that none of this is possible without a well trained, competent, and fairly compensated work force, and that the board is always having to work to find a balance among a public seeking maximum service, a work force demanding generous compensation, and a budget whose resources is often too limited to fully satisfy both of these desires.

In my work as a teacher and my community service on the boards of the organizations I have listed I have seen these issues on all sides; as a private person wanting high quality public services and as a worker seeking a quality wage commensurate with my training and experience, both dependent upon funding from public sources, as well as one who has had to analyze budgetary resources and allocate them in a judicious fashion. I am confident that the knowledge and experience I have gained dealing with the exigencies of those receiving services and those providing services and the fiscal realities and constraints under which public policy makers operate and base their decisions have provided me with the ability to effectively work as an AC Transit board member.

I look forward to hearing from you and would look forward to having a personal conversation with the board to discuss what I have written and any concerns you might have. Finally, I hope you will allow me a few more days to get my letters of reference to you, as I only read about this opening in the Oakland Tribune in its May 11, article reporting it

Thank you for your considerations.

Respectfully,

Armond Stanford Robinson
Armond Stanford Robinson

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AC Transit
President of the Board
1600 Franklin Street, 10th floor
Oakland, CA 94612

MAY 16 2002

DISTRICT SECRETARY'S OFFICE

May 16, 2002

Dear AC Transit Board Members,

I am writing to express my interest in filling the at-large seat on the AC Transit Board of Directors. If selected, I promise to serve all of the people and stakeholders of the district with integrity and dedication, and will do my utmost to improve and support bus transit throughout the district. As a bus rider and transit advocate, I have the experience and commitment to serve our community. I regularly use AC Transit (primarily lines 40L and 43) to get around from my home in the Fruitvale neighborhood of Oakland, and I am in touch with the day-to-day experience of our bus system.

I believe that public transit should be understood both as a necessity and as a privilege. For many, our bus system is a crucial lifeline to jobs, schools, hospitals and other essential elements of life. We must ensure that transit dependent people are able to get around effectively, as it is the central nervous system of our community.

At the same time, the system should be so clean, rapid, and reliable, that those who have the choice of driving will choose public transit anyway. By attracting new riders we can improve public environmental health and the financial stability of our system while widening the public support for it. This ultimately will increase our ability to protect and provide crucial service for transit dependent communities.

I am willing to go beyond the call of duty, not only attending AC Transit meetings, and working to make them more positive, but also working with the public and other officials and boards to seek improvements and support for the AC Transit district. I've already committed my efforts to support these goals. Some examples of work I've done to support AC Transit include:

- Recruited coalition partners to support Alameda County's Measure B, which increased funding for AC Transit.
- Advocated to have bus projects included for federal funding in MTC's transit expansion plan.
- Assisted in developing and securing support for free bus passes for low-income youth in the AC Transit district.
- Worked to increase transit funding in the Bay Area's Regional Transportation Plan.

As a new member of the Board of Directors, it would be important to me to build strong, harmonious relationships with other Directors, support already existing plans and projects, and bring new energy to the table.

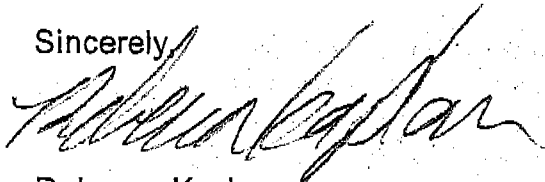
Some of my ideas for the AC Transit district are:

- install route maps and bus schedules at bus stops, and provide a 24-hour information phone line to make it easier for riders to navigate the system,
- work toward eliminating pollution from our bus fleet by implementing the best available technologies such as fuel cell, clean diesel, and bio-diesel,
- seek funding to improve the frequency of service, including night and weekend service to ensure that transit-dependent residents' needs are met,
- expand the "eco-pass" program,
- since the number one public complaint about transit is that it is too slow, I would work toward rapid implementation of enhanced bus,
- explore issues such as flex-time, child care, domestic partner benefits, comprehensive health insurance, and programs to reduce back strain and repetitive injuries, in order to attract and retain excellent employees, and
- support an ongoing program of free bus passes for low-income youth.

I have a lifelong history of public service, along with the training and commitment to be an effective Director. Details of my background and experience are included in the attached resume.

Thank you for considering me for the at-large seat on the AC Transit Board. It would be an honor to serve the community through this position, and I look forward to bringing my energy to the Board. Please don't hesitate to call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Rebecca Kaplan
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510-261-2268

P.O. Box 17002,
Oakland CA 94601

Rebecca Dawn Kaplan

P.O. Box 17002 ◊ Oakland, CA 94601 ◊ (510) 261-2268 ◊ fax: 261-2267 ◊ rebeccak@igc.org

Education

J.D., (*with distinction*) Stanford Law School

Participant in the **Public Interest Mentorship Program.**

Admitted to the Bar of the State of California and the Federal Courts

M.A., Urban & Environmental Policy, Tufts University

Award: *Women's Studies Writing Prize*

Certificate, Boston College Program for Women in Politics and Government

B.S., Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Psychology/women's studies)

Awards: *Phi Beta Kappa; Compton Award* for "Sustained and outstanding contribution to extracurricular life"

Work Experience

2002

Communications Director

WILSON RILES FOR MAYOR CAMPAIGN

- Managed media relations and materials production for Oakland Mayoral campaign.
- Responsibilities included: managing, designing and producing literature, advertisements in print, radio and movie slides, preparing policy papers on economic development, campaign finance reform, and environmental protection, and engaging in public speaking and media outreach on behalf of the candidate.

2001

Campaign Director

BAY AREA TRANSPORTATION AND LAND USE COALITION

- Directed advocacy effort to promote a more environmentally sound and socially equitable Regional Transportation Plan for the Bay Area
- Organized grassroots community members and organizations to seek funding for: free bus passes for low-income youth, trans-bay terminal, and Enhanced Bus.
- Responsibilities included: authoring in-depth reports analyzing transportation problems and solutions, writing and speaking to elected officials, mobilizing grassroots actions.

2000

Candidate/Campaign manager

OAKLAND CITY COUNCIL, AT-LARGE SEAT

- Ran for the city-wide seat on Oakland's city council – obtained 44% of the vote
- Built strong, grassroots, volunteer organization
- Engaged in extensive public speaking, writing of position papers, coalition-building work, fundraising, and networking with community organizations

1999

Field Representative, California State Assembly

OAKLAND OFFICE OF 16TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

- Organized public events, outreach, and press statements
- Produced policy positions on issues including water conservation, environmental justice, and racial bias in traffic stops
- Responded to constituent questions, concerns, and requests

1998 - 2000

Legal Associate

LAW OFFICES OF PHILLIP RAPIER & ASSOCIATES.

- Researched and drafted motions on tenants rights, civil rights, and family law.
- Researched premises liability, laying the groundwork for a major settlement.

- 1997 **Extern**
FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDERS, NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
- Drafted briefs and motions on issues of Federal criminal law and sentencing.
 - Prepared clients for federal petty offense cases.
- 1997 **Summer Associate**
ALTSHULER, BERZON, NUSSBAUM, BERZON AND RUBIN, SAN FRANCISCO
- Wrote briefs on behalf of labor unions, in cases to maintain and strengthen protections from workplace hazards
 - Researched and drafted briefs for Supreme Court cases regarding preserving pension funds and affirmative action
- 1996-97 **Research Assistant**
PROFESSOR DAVID ROSENHAN, STANFORD LAW SCHOOL
- Researched the interrelation of law, policy and psychology.
 - Helped prepare a chapter on abnormal psychology and the law.
- 1996 **Legal Intern**
PRISONER LEGAL SERVICES, SAN FRANCISCO
- Provided legal assistance to inmates in the San Francisco jails.
 - Researched prisoners' rights questions and described legal materials to inmates in accessible language.
- 1996 **Research Assistant**
LINDA KRIEGER, STANFORD LAW SCHOOL/CENTER ON CONFLICT AND NEGOTIATION
- Researched and wrote on the implications of cognitive science research for the implementation of equal employment opportunity.
- 1995-96 **Research Assistant**
PAUL BREST, DEAN, STANFORD LAW SCHOOL
- Helped research and create a syllabus on professional responsibility and crisis management.
- 1993 **Teaching Assistant**
TUFTS UNIVERSITY, Medford, MA
- Taught weekly section of statistics course for graduate-level policy students (with a focus on students with little math experience)
 - Created and presented an introductory seminar on use of computer databases for statistical analysis
- 1991-92 **Project Intern**
CITY OF CAMBRIDGE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN, Cambridge, MA
- Assisted the Commissioner in developing and implementing a project to reduce sexual harassment in Cambridge public schools.
- 1990 **Research Conversion Project Intern**
SCIENCE FOR THE PEOPLE, Cambridge, MA
- Co-managed research and educational projects to promote the demilitarization of scientific research.

Other Skills

- Computer proficiency -- including word processing, spreadsheet and database management, and small-scale programming and web page authoring.
- Meeting facilitation, consensus-decision making, and mediation experience
- Excellent public speaking skills



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May 7, 2002

AC Transit Board of Directors
1600 Franklin St.
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Directors:

I am writing to urge your support for the appointment of Rebecca Kaplan to the seat vacated by Matt Williams.

Rebecca Kaplan has a strong track record as an effective and dedicated advocate, working to improve public transit for all of us. Rebecca would make an excellent AC Transit Director, combining visionary leadership with practical solutions.

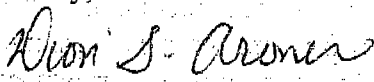
I recently witnessed what an effective advocate Rebecca is during the youth bus pass hearings at MTC. Advocating on behalf of BATLUC, Rebecca presented a reasoned and articulate argument for funding the bus pass pilot program. It was clear that the commissioners knew and respected her and she lent credibility to all of our efforts on behalf of low income students.

Rebecca, who lives in the Fruitvale neighborhood of Oakland, is a frequent bus rider herself, and will work in coalition with other residents, unions, businesses and advocacy organizations to help attract new riders, improve service, and make sure that those who depend on transit service are well-served.

Rebecca is committed to putting in the time and effort to be an active advocate for bus transit as a member of the AC Transit Board. I hope you will agree she is an excellent candidate for the at-large seat.

Thank you for your consideration of Rebecca.

Sincerely,


Dion S. Aroner



A Public Policy and Advocacy Institute

May 13, 2002

AC Transit Board of Directors
1600 Franklin St.
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear AC Transit Board of Directors:

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Ana Montes

LEGAL COUNSEL

Susan E. Brown

I am writing to support the appointment of Rebecca Kaplan to the at large seat on the AC Transit Board. Please note that Latino Issues Forum does not generally support candidates for public positions, and therefore is only used for identification purposes

As a member of the Steering Committee of the Bay Area Transportation and Land Use Coalition, I have worked with Rebecca and become familiar with her work. I have become impressed with her work, both as an effective advocate, and as a proficient manager of resources and personnel.

Rebecca's work on the issue of free bus passes for low-income students demonstrates her many skills. Rebecca worked on this issue from its earliest conceptions to its final rendering. Along the way, she investigated the needs of the constituency, proficiently marshaled community and agency support, considered the available resources to help design an effective program, and convincingly advocated for the program.

Rebecca will bring her vision for public transportation, which includes a strengthening of bus transit. She will bring her excellent analytical, management and decision making skills to the position. Rebecca will be an strong asset to the AC Transit Board of Directors.

Sincerely,

Enrique Gallardo
Senior Program Manager
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May 15, 2002

A C Transit District Board
1600 Franklin Street
Oakland, California 94612

Dear Directors,

I am writing to strongly endorse and urge your support of Rebecca Kaplan for the recently vacated "At Large" seat on the District Board.

In addition to her impressive resume, Rebecca has the right combination of experience to make her a real asset on the Board.

Advocating on behalf of BATLUC, she lent credibility to the organization and presented articulate arguments for funding the bus pass pilot program with the MTC.

She is clearly dedicated to public service and particularly to public transit. She understands Labor and should prove to be a resource for fellow Board members when discussing labor management matters.

I hope you will agree that she is an exceptional candidate for the vacancy and that you will support her appointment to the Board.

Sincerely,

Christine A. Zook
President/Business Agent

Cc: Executive Board Members

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DISTRICT SECRETARY'S OFFICE

24614 Patricia Court
Hayward, CA 94541-6818
Tuesday April 30th, 2002

A. C. Transit
1600 Franklin Street
Oakland, CA 94612

Attention: A. C. Transit Board of Directors

RE: Seat Vacancy on Board of Directors

Dear Board of Directors,

My name is Clarence R. Fischer, and I would like to be considered for the current "at-large" vacancy on the A. C. Transit Board of Directors, due to (former) Director Matt Williams resignation.

My interest in A. C. Transit actually goes back to the days when I was first a rider of "Key System", before it became a "public transit" system on October 1st, 1960. Although my mother and grandmother showed me how get around the east bay and over to San Francisco using A. C. Transit (and Key System), I was first introduced to the real "behind-the-scenes" workings of A. C. Transit from a former employee, Martha Neilson, who was in charge of the "Lost and Found Property" department (which eventually became the "Customer Service" Department).

Through the years, I started to become familiar with how the district operated, such as various funding sources (farebox, property taxes, state and federal funding), expenses (labor costs, capital expenditures), how service adjustments were performed (both in the old "pre-computer" manual methods and through various scheduling software packages such as "RUCUS" and "TRAPEZE"), and how, with the Research and Planning Department, determined everything from new service routes, coordination to BART stations (when BART opened new lines in 1972 and 1973 in the East Bay), to the various "phase-in's" of various parts of the "CSP" (Comprehensive Service Plan) for both local and transbay service.

Through the years, as I attended many board meetings, "5-Year Planning" meetings, and "CSP" meetings, I wanted to do more than just express my personal interest ... so I started to run for the two (2) different "At-Large" seats every two years (which at that time in the 1980's, were held by former Directors Roy Nakadegawa and Ray Rinehart). I ran for the Board of Directors as many people that I knew felt that since I was (and still am) a daily bus rider, that while most of the directors seemed to be concerned to some degree about how to keep the district afloat financially (so that the buses would continue to roll), none of the directors at that time seemed to be a daily bus rider (like myself, and people that I knew who supported me), to fully understand what it was really like out on the street, both for the drivers, as well as for the patrons of the district.

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DISTRICT SECRETARY'S OFFICE

Although my three (3) attempts to be elected to an "At-Large" seat via the November general elections were never successful (the incumbents always were re-elected), in late 1987 or early 1988, Lawrence (Larry) Rosenberg, the District Secretary at that time, called me and wanted to know if I would be interested in taking an "At-Large" seat that was being vacated by (former) Director Peter Smith, as he had a political "Conflict-of-Interest" (Mr. Smith was also working for the Alameda County Grand Jury's office, which, at that time, was investigating A.C. Transit). Mr. Rosenberg felt that I would make a great replacement. I was grateful that Mr. Rosenberg extended the opportunity to me, but I informed him that I felt that I had to decline his offer, because as I explained to him, that in the spring of 1988, I was getting married and moving to the city of Hercules (which is in "WESTCAT's" transit district, not "A.C. Transit's" district). I informed him that I felt that it would be an injustice to serve on the Board of Director's (for A.C. Transit) for only a few months, knowing well in advance, that I would have to step down when I moved out of the district, and then having "A.C. Transit" go through the search process again for another "Director-At-Large".

Today, although I do not attend board meetings on a regular basis (like I use to in the 1980's), I am in regular contact with various personnel in the "Schedule's Department" (such as Gary Ward and Tom Malone) and the "Research and Planning Department" (such as Robin Little), presenting various ideas in service route and scheduling adjustments. While a high percentage of my proposals have been well praised (after being studied and looked at), mainly the proposals which have been either "cost neutral" or "cost savings" to the district have been implemented. I have also assisted the "Scheduling Department" in reviewing schedules for potential errors (both in the public timetables and "driver paddles"), and pointing such errors out as I come across them, so that all effected parties are better informed, as opposed to being "misinformed".

As I look forward to A.C. Transit's future, I see many challenges ahead for the district. With budget deficits growing, combinations of difficult choices (service reductions, fare increases) are going to be necessary in the short term, in order to bring the district back to financial health, so that the district will survive into the future. Potential new funding sources need to be looked into. A balance between being fair to the patron and to the taxpayer needs to be in place, as well as the work force of the district. While the near future will need sacrifices made by all parties (which may not be too popular at first) in order to keep the district alive, as time goes on, I would like to do whatever is necessary, to return A.C. Transit back to "The Best Transit Agency In The Country", which the district held that title back in the 1960's and early 1970's.

Thank you for your time and my consideration.

Sincerely,



Clarence R. Fischer

P.S. - Due to a family member having surgery and follow up appointments in June, **I WILL NOT** be available for interviews appointments on June 11th (Tuesday), 12th (Wednesday), 18th (Tuesday), and 19th (Wednesday). Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

CLARENCE RANDOLPH FISCHER

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Hayward, California 94541-6818

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SENIOR SYSTEMS ANALYST / SENIOR PROGRAMMER

EDUCATION:

A.S. Data Processing with honors (straight 4.00 in my major), June 1976
A.A. Transportation with honors, June 1975

AWARDS AND HONORS

Award from the East Bay Chapter of D.P.M.A. (Data Processing Management Association), for Demonstrated Excellence in Data Processing on 20-Apr-1978

RECENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

CITY OF OAKLAND - OFFICE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY 1/89 - Present
Oakland, California 13 Years, 4 months

Systems Analyst III, System Specialist - Public Safety

Duties and Responsibilities:

Primary responsibility for the maintenance and enhancements for an in-house developed on-line interactive 911-CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch) system, and related databases (in production since March 1993), executing in a secured clustered environment. Assisted with conversion of files of prior 911-CAD system. Assisted with analysis of other Police applications, including RMS (Records Management System), JMS (Jail Management System), FCS (Forgery Control System), and PMS (Property Management System). As needs of the police department change, perform necessary modifications and enhancements to the appropriate applications and related databases. On-going development of, and maintenance to various reports needed by various divisions of the Police Department, City Attorney's Office, City Manager's Office, as well as state and federal mandated changes. Also produced reports for subpoenaed data from various courts of law (including Superior Court of Alameda County and the Northern California division of the United States Federal Court). Heavy user interaction with representatives from the Police Department, other City of Oakland offices, and various courts of law. Perform analysis and make recommendations of software from various vendors when appropriate.

Applications:

Police CAD (Computer Aided Dispatch), RMS (Records Management System)

Hardware Products:

DEC VAX ALPHA's, 76xx, 63xx, 780, Vaxstation 31xx, IBM-PC's

Software Products:

VAX/Open VMS, VAX/VMS, DEC COBOL, VAX COBOL, Embedded SQL/COBOL, VAX-SET (CMS, MMS, DTM, LSE, SCA), VAX-BASIC, VAX-ASSEMBLER, VAX-C, VAX/CDD+, DCL, VAX/SORT, VAX/SQL, EDI, RMS, DECNET, INGRES/SQL, PATHWORKS, WINDOWS-95/98, Microsoft Office (Word/Excel).

SKIDMORE, OWINGS, & MERRILL
San Francisco, California

3/83 - 12/88
5 years, 10 months

Senior Programmer/Analyst, Systems Specialist - Financial Management System

Duties and Responsibilities:

Responsible for the development, maintenance, and trouble shooting of all programs of an in-house developed integrated Financial Management System (FMS) and Human Resource Information System (HRIS). Heavy user interface with both the Accounting Department (Controller and Accounting Clerks) and Personnel Department. On-Line sub-systems included payroll (timecards, employee A/R), personnel (vacation, sick leave, "401-K" profit sharing), labor distribution, client and employee billings (telephone, xerox, blueprint, messenger, courier, and postage usages), fixed assets and depreciation. Batch sub-systems included cost books, job accounting, general ledger, and data collection from office automation equipment. Maintained operating systems software and performed sysgens, installed software packages, and maintained communication links between the various computer systems. Other applications and databases responsible for included shop drawings, material/supplies, specs/building codes, and resource center.

Applications:

Payroll, A/P (Accounts Payable), A/R (Accounts Receivable), Labor Distribution, Costs Books, Client and Employee Billing, HRIS (Human Resource Information System)

Hardware Platforms:

DEC VAX 780, DEC PDP-11/70, 11/34

Software Platforms:

VAX/VMS, VAX COBOL, VAX-BASIC, VAX-ASSEMBLER, PDP-11, RSTS/E, RT-11, RSX-11, BASIC-PLUS(-2), COBOL, RPG, DCL, VAX/SORT, SORT-11, EDT, TPU, EDIT-11, TECO, RMS, RMS-11, RECORD-IO, FILES-11, DECNET.

Reason For Leaving:

Consolidation of all computerized Financial Management System and Human Resource Information System was centralized to the firm's central office in Chicago.

SYSTEMATICS, INC.
San Francisco, California

2/82 - 8/82
7 months

Senior Programmer/Analyst, Systems Specialist - Applications

Duties and Responsibilities:

Under a contract with California-Canadian Bank (CCB), performed programming and ICL maintenance to pre-packaged software, pertaining to various banking applications. Assisted in the conversion of program, files, and JCL, of the client's sold branches to First Commercial Bank (FCB). Designed, developed, and maintained supporting programs not part of the standard pre-packaged applications for both CCB and FCB, to meet their specific processing needs.

Applications:

Commercial Loans, Certificate of Deposits, Savings/Time Deposits, Paperless Items Processing System

Hardware Platforms:

IBM 43xx, 30xx

Software Platforms:

COBOL, DOS/MVT, DATACOMDB/DC/DD, CA-SORT, CA-EARL, DYNAM/T, DYMAND,

Reason For Leaving:

Change in staffing requirements.

CHARLES SCHWAB & COMPANY, INC.
San Francisco, California

6/81 - 10/81
5 months

Programmer/Analyst

Duties and Responsibilities:

Responsible for the maintenance of application programs of a pre-packaged on-line stock transaction and tracking database system. Produced various reports for the customer.

Applications:

On-Line Stock Transaction System

Hardware Platforms:

IBM 43xx

Software Platforms:

COBOL, DOS/VSE, DOS/VS, JCL, CICS, PANVALET, DATAREPORTER, VSAM, BTAM

Reason For Leaving:

Cutbacks in department staffing and a change in company ownership.

ROGERS & ASSOCIATES
San Francisco, California

6/79 - 6/81
2 Years, 1 month

Programmer/Analyst

Duties and Responsibilities:

Under a contract with United States Fleet Leasing (USFL), assisted with the programming requirements for an on-line menu-driven Lease Tracking System (LTS) being developed. Established file requirements. Wrote system monitor notifying system operator of idle jobs, hung jobs, and termination of various on-site and remote users attempting to access restricted programs and databases.

Applications:

On-Line Lease Transaction System

Hardware Platforms:

DEC PDP-11/70

Software Platforms:

PDP-11, RSTS/E, RT-11, RSX-11, BASIC-PLUS(-2), COBOL, DCL, SORT-11, EDIT-11, TECO, RMS-11, RECORD-IO, FILES-11.

Reason For Leaving:

Contract with the client (USFL) ended.

SAN FRANCISCO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
San Francisco, California

4/78 - 6/79
1 Year, 3 months

Programmer/Analyst

Duties and Responsibilities:

Responsible for the development, maintenance, and execution of application programs to produce student accounting reports for the district's business vocational high school (School for Business and Commerce). Organized and performed sysgens of, and maintenance to both the operating system and system programs. Assisted with the initial installation of their new computer system.

Applications:

Student Accounting, System programming and sysgens.

Hardware Platforms:

DEC PDP-11/34

Software Platforms:

PDP-11, RSTS/E, RT-11, RSX-11, BASIC-PLUS(-2), COBOL, DCL, SORT-11, EDIT-11, TECO, RMS-11, RECORD-IO, FILES-11.

Reason For Leaving:

Financial (California Prop 13) public funding cutbacks.

MERRITT COLLEGE
Oakland, California

1/74 - 4/78
4 Years, 3 months

Senior Programmer/Analyst

Duties and Responsibilities:

Responsible for the training and supervision of other Computer Programmers, Operators, and Technicians, controlling batch and timesharing operations, maintenance of accounts, and scheduling of production jobs. Developed and maintained application and system programs, organized and performed sysgens, assisted instructors in creating Instructional Aid software, and reviewed the performance of and wrote reports on subordinates. Assisted the Data Processing Manager in a change over from one vendor's computer system to another. During the first six (6) months (1/74 - 6/74), held the position of "Computer Technician", then was promoted to "Programmer/Analyst" for 7/74 - 12/74, and then promoted to "Senior Programmer/Analyst" in 1/75.

Applications:

Student Accounting, System programming and sysgens.

Hardware Platforms:

IBM 360/370, IBM System/3, DEC PDP-8, PDP-11/70

Software Platforms:

PDP-11, RSTS/E, RT-11, RSX-11, BASIC-PLUS(-2), COBOL, DCL, SORT-11, EDIT-11, TECO, RMS-11, RECORD-IO, FILES-11.

Reason For Leaving:

Financial (California Prop 13) public funding cutbacks.

BART (Bay Area Rapid Transit)
Oakland, California

2/77 - 7/77
6 months

Programmer/Analyst

Duties and Responsibilities:

Responsible for development, maintenance, and execution of application programs of daily revenue availability and wayside equipment reliability and tracking systems, via an on-line database information system.

Applications:

Public Transit Revenue / Equipment Availability & Reliability Tracking

Hardware Platforms:

HONEYWELL 6000

Software Platforms:

GCOS, IDS-COBOL

Reason For Leaving:

Funding for temporary position ended (not permanent funding available to continue project).

2394 Mariner Square Drive, Box 104
Alameda, CA 94501
May 14, 2002

AC Transit
1600 Franklin Street
Oakland, CA 94612

Attention: H. E. Christian Peeples
Board Vice President

Via: Rose Martinez
District Secretary

RE: Letter of Recommendation

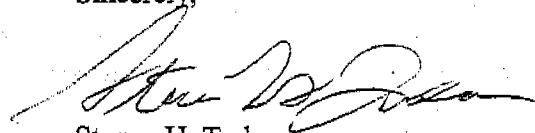
Dear Mr. Peeples:

I am happy to provide a letter of recommendation for Mr. Clarence R. Fischer for the vacant seat on AC Transit's Board of Directors.

I have known Mr. Fischer for a number of years, and share with him an interest in both the history and the future of public transit in the Bay Area. My grandfather retired from the Key System. As a native of Oakland and a public service employee (Oakland Police Department the Alameda County Public Defender's Office), I appreciate Mr. Fischer's knowledge of the issues and concerns of residents of the East Bay and his enthusiastic support of public transit in the Bay Area. He is a vocal advocate of AC Transit and the agency's mission to provide effective and efficient service throughout its service area.

Please give Mr. Clarence R. Fischer the opportunity to serve the East Bay as a Member of the Board of Directors of AC Transit. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Steven H. Todar

**Ron Hook Enterprise
23491 Odom Drive
Hayward, CA 94541**

May 15, 2002

A. C. Transit
1600 Franklin Street
Oakland, CA 94612

Attention: Board of Directors A. C. Transit

A Letter of Recommendation for Mr. Clarence R. Fischer for Vacant Board Seat

Dear Board,

I have known Mr. Fischer for over 30 years. Ever since I have known him, he has always had a genuine interest in the welfare of East Bay transit. He has attended countless AC Transit, BART, and WESTCAT meetings, as well as MTC meetings over the years. He has been quite instrumental in helping and assisting the Scheduling Department of AC Transit to correct errors in schedules, and is quick to notice frequent connections that are only missed by 1 or 2 minutes, so that they can be presented for potential adjustments in the future (thus making traveling quicker and more pleasurable for your customers).

Mr. Fischer is a unique individual in that he is always interested in the welfare of someone else before his own. He is quick to come to the aid of someone in need, even if it means shuffling his own schedule around. He is always prompt, courteous, reliable, and readily listens to all the facts, then performs his own research on a given item, before coming to a conclusion. He is very thorough in every task that he undertakes. Mr. Fischer has the ability to see the good in people that he interacts with, and is slow to criticize. Mr. Fischer seems to work extremely well with everybody that he is involved with.

Since Mr. Fischer does not own a car, he is extremely familiar with public transportation in the bay area, as he has relied on it for over 40 years. I feel that his appointment to the AC Transit board would bring new insight into the operations and problems that the district encounters, and with his work experience with budgets, could help answer some difficult situations that the district is currently facing.

With his degree in transportation, I definitely recommend appointing Mr. Fischer to the vacant seat which member Matt Williams left behind. I feel he would be a tremendous and valuable asset to the board, and to the people that he would serve.

Sincerely,


Ron Hook

112 Buckley Court
Hercules, California 94547
May 15, 2002

AC Transit Board of Directors

Re: Nomination of Clarence Fischer for Membership on the AC Transit Board

To Whom It May Concern:

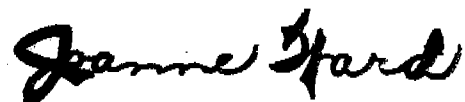
I met Clarence Fischer over 15 years ago. Since that time, I have come to know that Clarence is a very caring, competent, and dedicated individual. Clarence is especially passionate about the San Francisco Bay Area's public transportation system!

Clarence is now and has always been a regular rider of AC Transit. Clarence has also made his home in both Contra Costa as well as Alameda County. I believe these facts make Clarence an ideal candidate for the current opening on the AC Transit Board of Directors.

I know that you are looking to complement the existing AC Transit Board of Directors by adding a new member based upon certain criteria, e.g., ethnic diversity and geographic location. I believe that Clarence Fischer would be an excellent choice to fill the current vacancy on the AC Transit Board.

If I can answer any specific questions or provide you with additional information regarding Clarence Fischer, please do not hesitate to contact me either by e-mail at "joanne@joanneward.com" or by telephone at (510) 724-5581.

Very truly yours,



Joanne Ward

3777 Willow Pass Road #11
Bay Point, CA 94556
Wednesday May 8th, 2002

A. C. Transit
1600 Franklin Street
Oakland, CA 94612

Attention: H. E. Christian Peeples
Board Vice President
A. C. Transit

Via: Rose Martinez
District Secretary

RE: Letter of Recommendations for Mr. Clarence R. Fischer to fill Vacant Board Seat

Dear Mr. Peeples,

I would like to recommend Mr. Clarence R. Fischer for the current Board of Director's seat that was recently vacated by Mr. Matt Williams. I have known Mr. Fischer for over 20 years. I supported him when he was making attempts to be elected to the "At-Large" seats back in the 1980's (via general elections). Although he moved out of the district boundaries (to Hercules) back in 1988, I am glad to see, now that he is a resident of Hayward, that once again, he wants to serve the public in such a capacity.

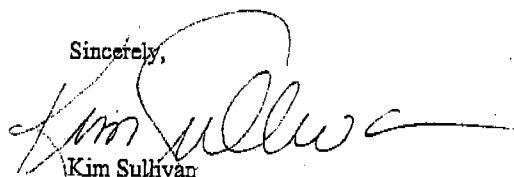
During the time that I have know Mr. Fischer, he has demonstrated to me, the ability to see and understand many different viewpoints of the operations of the district. Over the years that I have known him, he has attended a great number of board meetings of various public transit properties. Certain items which he has presented to the AC Transit board, have come from listening to suggestions which other drivers and myself have had concerns over scheduling issues, and after lengthy review, has over the years, presented proposals to the Scheduling Department (first under control of Don Larson to Gary Ward today), all on a voluntary basis.

Mr. Fischer has also, over the years, been active with public comment at various board meetings (especially from the early 1980's until the middle of the 1990's), giving ideas of how to make the most of an transit network, with limited resources (both in the number of vehicles available, as well as funding). Since he is an individual who does not own an automobile, he also sees how to better coordinate both service and projects between our district and other transit districts, which in the future, will become more critical due to dwindling financial resources from both federal and state funding.

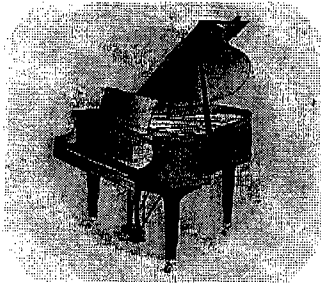
Also, since Mr. Fischer has chosen not to own an automobile, he is extremely familiar with not only our district, but with public transportation in the general bay area. He sees things not only from the riding public's point of view, but also in talking with other drivers, and me as well as with different departments within the district that are necessary to deliver a product that our customers want to use. I feel that he can take all different points of view, do over all of the facts, and come up with solutions that will be fair to all parties involved, with any proposal which is put to a vote of the directors of this district.

I feel that his degrees in both the computer field, and the transportation field, has allowed Mr. Fischer to be able to see not only how to make things better for the district today, but I also feel, if given a chance to serve the public via a board seat, he has the potential of returning our district, once again, to be a national model for other transit districts to follow.

Sincerely,



Kim Sulhvan
A.C. Transit Badge #564
Bus Driver - Division #4



Bruce De Benedictis

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Oakland, CA 94610-1642

May 13, 2002
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DISTRICT SECRETARY'S OFFICE

President
Board of Directors
AC Transit
1600 Franklin Street
Oakland, CA 94612

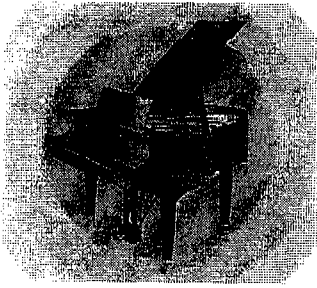
This letter is to express my interest in filling the vacancy of the at-large seat on the Board of Directors. I am certain that all of the current Directors are familiar with my service to AC Transit and its riders, and my unusual combination of ridership experience, observational and communicative powers, and other talents which have contributed so much to the AC Transit community.

I have served on the AC Transit Rider Advisory Committee since its beginnings, and have been Chair for the past couple of years. This has given me the experience and familiarity with many facets of AC Transit which constitute a special qualification for this position. I now feel it is my responsibility to offer myself as a candidate to be a Board member.

One of my talents is knowing my audience and knowing what it takes to make my point to them. All of the Directors should be sufficiently well acquainted with my qualifications, so that my attached resume should serve as a sufficient reminder, as well as a record of my other public service. Choosing a replacement Director is an important decision of the Board, and indeed, only one of many which the Board must make within a few weeks. Therefore, I am making this letter as short as possible, to give you more time to consider other applications, as well as other issues that you may be less familiar with.

Sincerely,

Bruce De Benedictis



Bruce De Benedictis

631 Boulevard Way
Oakland, CA 94610-1642

May 20, 2002
(510) 763-4657

President
Board of Directors
AC Transit
1600 Franklin Street
Oakland, CA 94612

Schedule Information:

For your convenience, I would like to inform you of these dates in the immediate future when I will not be available:

Thursday, May 30.

Monday, June 3. (This could be changed with enough warning.)

Thursday, June 13.

Friday, June 14.

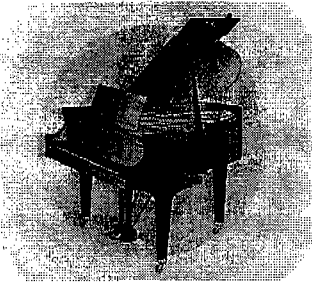
I will be attending the Oakland Bus Dedication Thursday, June 6.

I will be attending the Rider Advisory Committee meeting Monday, June 10.

My email address is: bruce_de_benedictis@mac.com

Yours truly,

Bruce De Benedictis



Bruce De Benedictis

631 Boulevard Way
Oakland, CA 94610-1642

May 8, 2002
(510) 763-4657

1. Education:

1. Masters degree in Mathematics, UC Berkeley, 1977
2. Bachelors degree in Mathematics and German, UC Berkeley, 1974, with highest honors in Mathematics, high honors in German, and the Departmental Citation in German
3. Graduated from Middletown Township High School, Middletown, NJ, 1970, National Honor Society, National Merit Scholar

2. Work Experience

1. Since about 1973, I have tuned and repaired pianos. I regularly tune for UC Berkeley's Dramatic Arts (Dance) Department, Bimbo's 365 Club, and the San Francisco Jazz Festival. I regularly tune for many of the world's top artists who perform at these venues.

3. Community Service, Transportation

1. Since its inception in 1995, I have been a member of the Rider Advisory Committee to AC Transit. I was Chair in 1997, and have also been Chair from the election of Joe Wallace to the Board of Directors to today.
2. I represented the RAC on the Expenditure Plan Development Committee for the reauthorization of Measure B in 1997. After the first ballot in 1998 failed to pass, I attended most of the steering committee, where I attempted to provide a positive face for AC Transit riders.
3. With my ties to the Italian community, I originally arranged for free bus service to Jack London Square for the annual Italian Festa using existing AC Transit lines. This remains the method that Jack London uses to shuttle people from downtown Oakland for special events.
4. Previously I have participated in many meetings and hearings for AC Transit going back to the late 1970's. I have made many suggestions which remain AC Transit policy today. I was active in the AC Transit Boosters Club of the mid-1980's.

4. Community Service, Other

1. My wife and I are currently on the Steering Committee of my neighborhood group, Greater Mandana Action Coalition.
2. I cohost a computer special interest group which meets monthly.
3. I write the monthly newsletter for the Fratellanza Club in Oakland. Previously I have served on their board and have been Recording Secretary. I schedule their bocce league. I have represented them to the Italian American Federation of the East Bay. I coauthored the rules for their scholarship program.
4. I have participated in the stakeholders' meetings for the Lake Merritt Master Plan.
5. With my wife, I helped found the Grand Lake Farmers' Market, in the process of trying to preserve the park across the street from the Grand Lake Theater. My wife has just been named Mother of the Year by the city of Oakland for her efforts in that campaign.
6. I helped establish the Grand Lake Neighborhood Center.

Ruth J. Ganong
710 Hillside Avenue
Albany, CA 94706

May 16, 2002

Board of Directors of AC Transit
1600 Franklin
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Board Members:

I would like to highly recommend Bruce DeBenedictis for the "At large Seat" on your Board, recently vacated by Matt Williams. Mr. DeBenedictis has a long history of supporting AC Transit:

1. In the late eighties he devised a clever system of numbering the AC Transit Routes.
2. He formerly lived in AC Transit District 1 in El Cerrito, and was a frequent attendee at our public hearings about route changes in that area, and about general problems in AC Transit's financial situation. His suggestions were timely and appropriate.
3. His current residence is in Oakland, and since he is transit dependent I am sure he has researched the Oakland area as thoroughly as he had in District 1.
4. When I was on the Board we were also having severe financial problems. Mr. DeBenedictis made a substantial donation of his own money to help us out! We were extremely touched by his gesture of support.
5. I appointed Mr. DeBenedictis as a charter member of the AC Transit Riders Advisory Committee. He has been active, effective and dedicated. I consider him one of my best appointments in my 25 years of elective office.

I take great pleasure in recommending him. He is mathematically gifted, an articulate communicator, a transit dependent, and a dedicated supporter of the AC Transit District.

Sincerely,

Ruth Ganong

Ruth Ganong
former AC Transit Board Member, District #1
(Also former Albany mayor
Albany School Board President)

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B u s i n e s s A s s o c i a t i o n

May 17, 2002

Mr. Chris Peeples
President of the Board of Directors
AC Transit
1600 Franklin
Oakland, Ca. 94612


Dear Mr. Peeples,

I highly recommend Bruce De Benedictis for the available at-large seat on the AC Transit Board. Bruce is the most knowledgeable layperson and the most enthusiastic supporter of AC Transit. When Bruce was helping us establish the Grand Lake Neighborhood Center he insisted that we provide all available Bus Schedules and maps and arranged for speakers to come from AC Transit and speak to the community about schedule changes etc. As president of the bus riders union, Bruce always kept us informed of how we could support positive changes. Bruce always researches facts thoroughly before making decisions.

As Chairman of the Shop Oakland Campaign, I turned to Bruce for recommendations as to who to approach for sponsorship. Adrian McCall provided us with an in kind donation of the most attractive inside bus cards on all of the buses during the holidays.

With his involvement in the Italian Festival, and other community projects, Bruce knows how to rollup his sleeves and get things done. Bruce has always been the strongest advocate for AC Transit and would make an excellent board member.

Sincerely,


Nancy Strange
Administrator

May 18, 2002

AC Transit Board of Directors
1600 Franklin Street
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Members of the Board of Directors:

I urge you to appoint Bruce de Benedictis to the vacancy on the AC Transit Board of Directors. I have known Bruce for many years as a fellow bus rider, member of my community, and as a member of the AC Transit Riders Advisory Committee.

Bruce has experience and knowledge about bus operations, the district's service area, and AC Transit in particular. As a part of his work, he travels throughout the district using AC Transit. In addition, I have observed that at meetings, he is always careful to consider and evaluate all information before making a decision. All of this means that he has an excellent knowledge base, background, and is very well qualified for this position.

AC Transit must make a number of very important decisions in the near future. What better candidate for the job is there than Bruce, who is already up-to-speed on the issues?

Sincerely,



Janet Abelson
Mayor, City of El Cerrito
Chair, AC Transit Accessibility Advisory Committee
Member, AC Transit Riders Advisory Committee

Carol Anne Carroll Communications

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May 20, 2002

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President, Board of Directors
Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District
1600 Franklin Street
10th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

DISTRICT SECRETARY'S OFFICE

**ATTENTION: ROSE MARTINEZ, DISTRICT SECRETARY
VIA HAND DELIVERY**

Re: At-Large Position
AC Transit Board of Directors

Dear President of the Board:

This letter hereby makes application to the AC Transit Board of Directors for the At-Large vacancy on the board. Along with this letter of interest, I am enclosing a resume and three letters of recommendation from people who live, work, and/or attend school within the AC Transit District.

If selected, I would bring an excellent balance of up-close, practical, and relevant experience combined with highly valuable skills in communications, customer service, and leadership. Specifically, I would bring the following to my AC Transit directorship:

1. I am well aware of what it means to be a user of AC Transit in real, practical, down-to-earth terms. I do not own a private vehicle, and take public transportation for almost all of my transit needs. Since the beginning of this year, I have utilized the following routes: 10 [now defunct], 12, 15, 40, 50, 51, 53, 63, 88, A, O, and W. As someone who owns a growing business, I am always taking new routes and consulting bus schedules. As the At-Large Director, I would make a commitment to learn more about the transit lines I am unfamiliar with, so that I represent the general constituency well.
2. Since I rely on public transportation so heavily, I am also well aware of how well AC Transit links with other systems, including BART, Golden Gate Transit, Muni, LAVTA/WHEELS, and most ferries. I am very familiar with the Bay Area transit web site, www.transitinfo.org, and am on the TransLink™ card pilot program.
3. My transit knowledge is well beyond that of the average user. Having taken buses in Cork, Ireland; Rotterdam, The Netherlands; Luxembourg City, Luxembourg; Los Angeles;

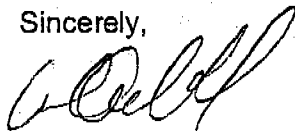
Chicago; New York; and throughout the entire Bay Area, I bring a solid background of how other systems function on a practical user level.

4. In addition to "riding the ride", so to speak, I have also studied public transportation extensively. I am on the mailing list of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), and comment frequently on their proposals and plans. In my writing business, I have frequently reported on public transportation and its impact on real estate, planning, and related areas. This research and writing has given me an opportunity to understand how transit systems work from a behind-the-scenes perspective.
5. As someone who is a professional communicator, I understand the value of timely and concise information to AC Transit's ridership. I would help riders better understand news and developments within the AC Transit system. As someone with tutoring/training experience, I know how to motivate people, and how to help them understand the intricacies of any given situation.
6. As someone who has extensive customer service experience, I know how to handle constituents who are upset, angry, defensive, and frustrated. I know how to listen to them, how to work with them to effect changes where needed, and how to clarify issues so they understand challenges more clearly.
7. As someone who has extensive leadership skills, I know how to bring about change – whether that change is a change in attitude, an increase in efficiency, or both. Because of my varied background, I can identify with a broad range of people. I have friends and business associates from literally all walks of life. I am a graduate of Alameda County Leadership Academy, and attended the Academy with a position such as this one in mind.

Of course, my skills and experience would mean very little if I had no desire. I passionately wish to serve on the AC Transit Board of Directors, as I strongly believe it would be the ideal way for me to serve my community.

In closing, I sincerely hope you will choose me for the current At-Large position on the AC Transit Board of Directors. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (510) 523-3410. I hope we are working together soon.

Sincerely,



Carol Anne Carroll

Carol Anne Carroll

PO Box 2223, Alameda, CA 94501

510-523-3410; 510-523-3411 Fax

cacpers@aol.com; www.carolannecarroll.com

Experience Summary:

- 1998-Present **Carol Anne Carroll Communications (Self-Employed)**, San Francisco Bay Area. Provider of a broad range of communications services, including publishing, writing/editing, research, layout/design, photography, training, and project management.
- 1996-1998 **Pacific Gas & Electric Company**, San Francisco, CA, USA. Coordinated workload for up to seven analysts providing computer support at PG&E.
- 1994-1996 **BRE Properties, Inc.** San Francisco, CA, USA. Technical, editorial and analytical/administrative support for a self-administering real estate investment trust (REIT).
- 1989-1993 **Self-Employed**, Rotterdam, The Netherlands; Brussels, Belgium; Luxembourg City, Luxembourg; and Cork Ireland. Provider of communications services, including technical and business writing, technical market research, English tutoring, and computer skills tutoring.

More detailed/additional employment history available upon request.

Books: *Starting A Home-Based Business*, self-published, January, 2002; books on marketing, troubleshooting, and expanding a home-based business are set for publication in 2002-2003.

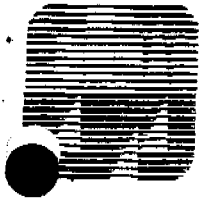
Courses: Include, "Writing Better For Business", "How To Self-Publish Your First Book", and individual instruction on writing, grammar, spelling, and usage. Non-writing-related courses cover computer usage, geography, career exploration, and small business.

Syndication: Self-administered; both direct sales and through Correspondent.com.

Past and Current Clients Include: Pacific Gas & Electric Company (through CIMA & Associates); wetfeet.com; Eurotrust SA, Luxembourg; Hills Newspapers; San Francisco Community Clinic Consortium; ANG Newspapers and their clients (including Dublin Chamber of Commerce, Alameda County Fair); Facts on File (through Kurian); Alameda Hospital; and many private individuals.

Awards: Alameda County Leadership Academy, 2001-2002; listed in *International Who's Who of Entrepreneurs*, 2001-2002; listed in Marquis' *Who's Who of American Women*, since 1998; final round of judging, *National Geographic Traveler's Annual Photography Contest*, 1994; shortlisted for the *Financial Times' David Thomas Prize*, 1993.

Memberships Include: National Coalition of Independent Scholars; Oakland Chamber of Commerce; Alameda Chamber of Commerce; Better Business Bureau (BBB); BNI (Business Networking International), Embarcadero Chapter; and Northern California Society of Association Executives (affiliate member).



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May 15, 2002

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to recommend Carol Anne Carroll for the At-Large position on AC Transit's Board of Directors.

Carol is a person who is well versed in transit issues, and the concomitant issues they affect, including real estate, planning, and population. She is someone who will listen carefully to all sides, research the facts thoroughly, and make an informed, sensible opinion. Perhaps that would be enough for most candidates. However, Carol is also quite adept at communicating complex public issues to a broad constituency, so she would do well in dealing with riders, employers, and other constituents of the AC Transit District.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.



Dennis G. Pagonis
President



The Alameda Journal
1516 Oak Street
Alameda, CA 94501

To: AC Transit

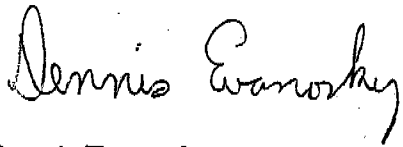
Subject: Recommendation for Carol Anne Carroll

I would like to strongly recommend Carol Anne Carroll for the At-Large position on AC Transit's Board of Directors. In my role as a newspaper editor, I have found that Carol consistently delivers more than she is asked. She goes the extra mile on all her assignments. I know her qualities will only serve to strengthen your board of directors.

In speaking with her, I found that Carol is a person well versed in transit issues, and the concomitant issues they affect, including real estate, planning, and population. She is also someone who will listen carefully to all sides, research the facts thoroughly, and make an informed, sensible opinion. Perhaps that would be enough for most candidates.

However, Carol is also quite adept at communicating complex public issues to a broad constituency, so she would do well in dealing with riders, employers, and other constituents of the AC Transit District.

Thank you,



Dennis Evanosky
Special Sections Editor
Hills Newspapers

May 18, 2002

To Whom It May Concern -

This letter is to recommend Carol A. Carroll for the At-Large position on AC Transit's Board of Directors. We have known Carol for approximately 5 years and have found her to be very conscientious in her endeavors. Carol is well versed in transit issues including bus routes and planning - She will listen to all sides, research and weigh the facts before coming to her decision.

Carol in our opinion would be an asset to the AC Transit District Board -

Ray Rodriguez
Bob Leaver

Ray Rodriguez
Bob Leaver
624 Willow Street
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(510) 865-3170

Katherine K. Yoshii
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DISTRICT SECRETARY'S OFFICE

AC Transit Board President
C/o Rose Martinez, District Secretary
AC Transit District
1600 Franklin Street, 10th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Re: AC Transit Board of Directors At-Large Seat

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am submitting this letter along with three letters of reference for your consideration of my application for the open At-Large seat on the AC Transit Board of Directors.

I am a life long resident of the Bay Area. I was born in Berkeley, raised in El Cerrito and now currently reside in Albany. With the exception of the three years I spent living in Sacramento, during which time I was an Assembly Fellow and completing my master's degree, I have spent my entire life living in the East Bay. I believe that our public transit system is the life blood of our community and pivotal in the continued economic health and welfare of our region.

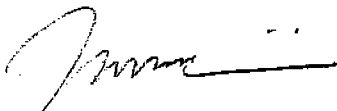
I believe the duties of a member of the board are to represent the community interests, understand the diversity of the ridership, and to safeguard public trust and faith in the transit system. My community involvement thus far has included volunteer work with teens through the California YMCA Youth & Government program, seniors through Self Help for the Elderly, as well as work for the Albany YMCA as a member of the Board of Managers, and for the San Francisco Bay Girl Scout Council (headquartered in Oakland). Public transit accessibility has been an issue for all of these groups and critical to the success or failure of many events and functions for these groups.

My experience with the State Legislature as an Assembly fellow to the Economic Development and New Technologies Committee (now the Local Government committee) has given me an understanding of the legislative policy process and the complexities of budget structures and various funding strategies. I view public service as one of the true privileges of our democratic system.

As an AC Transit rider for over eight years on the L Transbay line, I experienced the improvements as well as service cuts and the impact on the system from the BART strike. I believe I have the perspective, experience, and motivation to be an effective member of your board.

Thank you for your kind consideration.

Sincerely yours,



Katherine K. Yoshii

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Email: kkyoshii@aol.com

EDUCATION

M.A. California State University, Sacramento
Government (Public Finance) 1995

Sports Administration and Facilities Management Institute 1990
North Carolina Central University
Dr. LeRoy Walker, Director

B.A. University of California, Berkeley
Economics 1986

EXPERIENCE

Office Manager, West Office Exhibition Design
7/00 to present Manage exhibition design firm specializing in science museums, cultural and natural history museums

Office Manager, Akol Architects
8/98-3/00 Managed architecture firm specializing in healthcare and health science; administration, accounting, human resources/personnel, marketing, cost analysis, contract administration, project management and network administration.

Office Manager, Law Office of Gayle J. Chan
12/89-8/98 Corporate and real estate law practice primarily transactional, including international and interstate. Average annual transactions approximately \$100 million.

Administrative Aide, MESA, California State University, Sacramento
2/88-10/89 Managed 58 school site programs and staff, funding proposals to federal, state and private industry, long range planning and program development, conferences, banquets and industry/education governing board meetings.

Assembly Fellow- Committee on Economic Development and New Technologies
8/86-7/87 Legislative policy analysis, program oversight reports, coordination of public hearings, conferences, seminars and symposia, liaison on committee legislation.

Accounting/Bookkeeping Assistant, University Students' Cooperative Association
8/84-8/86 Handled all aspects of accounting cycle, financial summary reports to the Board of Directors, coordinated capital improvement grants and budget projections. Annual operating budget over \$4 million

Program Assistant, Voluntary Legal Services Program, Alameda County Bar Association
8/83 - 5/85 Set-up and organization of nonprofit legal services program, supervision of paralegal staff, recruitment of volunteer attorneys, established orientation and staff development workshops, implementation of pro per dissolution clinics.

OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Program Staff

1982-present
California YMCA Model Legislature & Court Program (Youth & Government)
Statewide model government program for high school students, program areas of expertise: model appellate court, legislative analysts, secretary of state, legislative committees, legislative houses, lobbyists, board of education, national issues commissions.

Division Manager, Sustaining Campaign

1987-present
California YMCA Model Legislative & Court Program
Annual fundraising campaign for the Model Legislature program of approximately \$250,000.00 involving 180 volunteers from throughout the state and nation.

Board member (former President)

1992-present
California Japanese American Alumni Association
National organization of Japanese American alumni of the University of California system, annual scholarship and internship programs (awards \$20,000+ annually), biannual "Big Game Dinner Reunion"

Committee Member,

1990-2001
DISCOVEREE, San Francisco Bay Girl Scout Council
Site Coordinator, former Campus Liaison, Cadette Coordinator for annual training conference for adult leaders and volunteers

Board Member

1999-present
Albany YMCA

Volunteer

1990-1998
Self Help for the Elderly
Assisted with community events, annual fund-raisers, silent auctions, walkathons, narrated Thirtieth Anniversary video.

Program Instructor,

4/87-4/88
Capitol Focus, subsidiary of California Journal, Inc.
Political awareness program for high school students

Program Facilitator

6/88-10/89
Lao Family Community, Inc.
Community services organization of Lao, Hmong and Mien population in the greater Sacramento area, handled grant proposals, state agency and private foundation reporting and compliance.

ADDITIONAL REFERENCES AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.



CALIFORNIA
JAPANESE AMERICAN
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

PO Box 15235
San Francisco
California
94115-0235

May 16, 2002

Re: Letter of Recommendation for Katherine Yoshii
Attn: AC Transit Board

Dear AC Transit Board Members:

In my capacity as an officer of the California Japanese American Alumni Association (CJAAA), I have known Katherine Yoshii for almost six years. When I was first elected to the board in 1995, Kathy was President of the CJAAA, which has close to 1100 UC Alumni members since the recent merger. Under her leadership, the CJAAA was an active organization not only in the Japanese American community, but to the larger pan-Asian community in our efforts to promote inter-ethnic and intercultural dialogues. In addition to organizing and co-sponsoring academic forums on race relations and cultural diversity in American at UC Berkeley, we support such diverse projects as the Cal Oral History Project, the Tomodachi Cultural Celebration Event, the Japanese American Community and Cultural Center, the UCLA Ties that Bind Research Conferences and several other JA activities. Furthermore, we continue to give out 10-15 scholarships each year to UC students who exhibit community leadership, while also providing summer stipends to non-profit organizations that UC students chose to volunteer for.

It is largely to Katherine's tireless efforts that we have been able to maintain the widespread presence of our organization's activities. She held the position of President for several years and was able to keep the organization active even as older board members passed on and retired from any active social life. Katherine has the zeal, disciplined work ethic, and diplomatic skills required to be an excellent leader capable of bringing together diverse viewpoints and get things done. Indeed, her ability to internalize the responsibilities of the CJAAA inspired me to take on the Presidency, which I have held since 2000-1. Katherine's commitment to community service is exemplary (as her resume attests) and rarely have I encountered someone so devoted to public service. Having worked closely with her on several projects, I have no doubt that she would be a conscientious, studious and hard working member of your board. In addition, combined with her long community service record with the YMCA's Youth and Government program, I have no doubt that Kathy would provide an interesting perspective to the agenda items of the AC Transit Authority.

Sincerely yours,



Trevor H. Nakagawa
UC Berkeley, Researcher, Ph.D. Candidate
PCCD, Instructor
BASC, Project Director
CJAAA President

May 16th, 2002

AC Transit Board President
c/o Rose Martinez, District Secretary
AC Transit District
1600 Franklin Street, 10th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

Dear Board President:

I am writing to you on behalf of Katherine Yoshii, an applicant for the vacant AC Transit Board position. I have known Katherine, both personally and professionally for over six years and feel that she is well qualified to fill this vacancy. Katherine has been involved in the East Bay community all of her life, she was born and raised here and continues to live in Albany and work in downtown Oakland. We are both volunteer staff members in the California YMCA Youth & Government Program. Katherine has been involved on a local and statewide level with Youth & Government for over 20 years. She has run student delegations, assisted with and overseen statewide program areas as well as participated in countless volunteer staff meetings. Through our connection and passion for Youth & Government, we have become very good friends. Two years ago, she joined me on the Albany YMCA Board of Managers on which we are both still active members. Katherine is a woman dedicated to her work and would be an asset to your board. She looks forward to the possibility of filling the interim position and if it is a good match, hopes to run for the full term position when it becomes available in December.

One reason I am writing this letter is because I have never learned to drive and am a constant AC Transit rider as Katherine well knows. She has an appreciation of the bus system as she often

marvels at how well I get around the Bay Area on a daily basis, often thanks to AC Transit. She has also expressed an interest on several occasions, on serving on a transit board as she is both politically aware and environmentally conscious. The Bay Area is a Mecca for socio-political activism and environmentalist activities, which is why many of us continue to live here. Being raised in the East Bay, Katherine has a personal investment in the daily goings on of our transit system and a connection to the well fare of our cities and air. AC Transit is doing its part to preserve the environment by offering a vast number of accessible bus lines and constantly adjusting each route to better serve its diverse community. I am confident that Katherine Yoshii will enthusiastically do her part to assist the AC Transit Board of Directors on behalf of her community.

Thank you for considering her for this position.

Sincerely yours,



Katie Clancy

AC Transit rider and community participant

Katie Clancy

1652 Mendocino St. Richmond, California 94804 510.551.6003

17 Wildwood Place
El Cerrito, California 94530
May 17, 2002

AC Transit Board President
C/o Rose Martinez, District Secretary
AC Transit District
1600 Franklin Street, 10th Floor
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Regarding: Candidacy of Katherine Yoshii for
AC Transit Board of Directors At-Large Seat

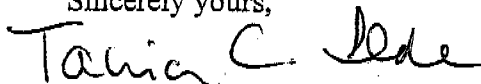
To Whom It May Concern:

As a satisfied, regular AC Transit customer and resident of El Cerrito, it gives me great pleasure to recommend Ms. Katherine Yoshii for the At-Large Seat on the AC Transit Board of Directors.

In the almost nine years that I have known her, Ms. Yoshii has on a regular basis committed her evenings and frequently much of her weekend time to her essential and substantive volunteer work with several organizations, including the YMCA's Youth and Government program and the San Francisco Bay Girl Scout Council.

Ms. Yoshii is certain to bring that commitment to the community in her capacity as a member of the Board. An additional asset is her experience in the state legislative process, acquired during her tenure as an Assembly Fellow in Sacramento. As with all her community service activities, Ms. Yoshii will be a dedicated, thoughtful, and responsive member of the Board.

Sincerely yours,



Tania C. Luhde

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May 20, 2002

Dear Sirs or Mesdames:

My name is Vernon Charles Goins II and am writing today to express my interest in, and request consideration for, the vacant Director at Large seat on AC Transit's Board of Directors.

AC Transit has provided me benefits since I was a young man growing up in Richmond, California. Aside from the rides provided by my mother and sister, the bus was my only alternative means of transportation. The bus system took me to and from school and afforded me the opportunity to explore other cities in the Bay Area. In some ways, AC Transit provided me with my first taste of independence and responsibility by allowing me a freedom of movement that I likely would not have otherwise had.

Even today, as an East Bay attorney and business-owner, I continue to directly benefit from the AC Transit system. More than half of my employees, including my law partner, ride the bus to work daily. Many of our clients use AC Transit and BART as their primary means of transportation, as well, especially when traveling to and from our office in Downtown Oakland.

Yet, our transit system does much more than provide a means of transportation. AC Transit is an integral part of our community. From decreasing air pollution to stimulating the local economy, its positive affects are far-reaching.

As a Board Member at Large, I would be provided with an opportunity to represent the voice of my community and ensure the promotion, preservation and enhancement of AC Transit's services. Due to my ongoing community involvement and previous board experience, I understand fully that I would be entrusted with making critical decisions for the many thousands of people who use this system daily.

Finally, I believe that I am qualified to serve the constituency. My financial background would complement the Board of Directors. I am a business attorney whose daily fare consists of attempting to solve problems, of opportunity as well as problems of circumstances, for business owners. I provide more than

a legal approach, for my clients. Many of their problems range from personnel issues to real property issues, in addition to litigation.

In addition to holding a Master's in Business Administration, I also own an elder care facility. I manage and plan the finances at my law firm. My law practice is geared towards helping entrepreneurs and small businesses solve legal and business problems. This background would help facilitate a better understanding of the complex budget issues that face AC Transit.

I am also a team player as exemplified by my various membership and participation in local and national organizations. As the current Director of Region IX of the National Bar Association (term expires in July 2002), I am responsible for the concerns and issues faced by thousands of African American judges and attorneys throughout the Western Region of the United States. Locally, I sit on the Board of Directors for the Alameda County Bar Association. Both board positions require patience, diplomacy and the ability to reconcile differences, skills that I continue to refine and offer to this Board.

Fresh ideas and proactive thinking are two of my most valuable tools. It is my sincere hope that you put these tools to work for our community by appointing me to fill the current Board vacancy.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely Yours,



Vernon C. Goins II

VERNON CHARLES GOINS II

1330 Broadway, Suite 1701 Oakland, CA 94612 (510) 893-9465

EDUCATION

GOLDEN GATE UNIVERSITY
Llm in Taxation, April 1999

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, HASTINGS COLLEGE OF THE LAW
Juris Doctorate, 1997

- President of the Black Law Students Association

UNIVERSITY OF LAVERNE
Masters in Business Administration, 1994

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL OF FOREIGN SERVICE
Bachelors in Science in Foreign Service, 1992

- President of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
- Intern for United States Congressman Ronald Dellums

EXPERIENCE

TAYLOR & GOINS LLP, Oakland, CA.

Partner, 1998-Present

Specializing and limiting practice exclusively to the areas of general commercial litigation, corporate transaction, estate planning and probate.

UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO, SCHOOL OF LAW

Adjunct Professor Summer 2001

Teaching Introduction to Federal Income Tax

MERRITT COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Oakland, CA

Part Time Faculty 2000-Present

Teaching the basics of business law, legal writing, analysis and research.

COMPTON UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, Compton, CA.

4th Grade Bilingual Teacher, 1992-1994

Conducted academic instruction in all subjects in English and Spanish.

LANGUAGES

French, fluent (lived and studied in France for four years).

Spanish, written and oral proficiency.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Alameda County Bar Association, Board of Directors
Alameda Contra Costa County Trial Lawyers Association, Board of Directors
Alameda County Office of Education Mock Trial Competition, Participant (2001)
California Minority Counsel Program, Steering Committee Member
California Association Black Lawyers, Vice President, Board of Directors
Charles Houston Bar Association, Vice President, Board of Directors
Earl Warren Inn of Court, Member
Rotary Club #3 of Oakland, Member
Leadership Oakland, Alumnus (1999)
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, Board of Directors
National Bar Association, Director of Region IX, Board of Governors
100 Black Men of the Bay Area, Inc., Member

AWARDS

December 1999 **President's Award**, Charles Houston Bar Association.
October 2001 **Outstanding Service To The Legal Community**, Minority Bar Coalition.
May 2002 **2002 Alumnus of the Year**, Hastings College of the Law.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

November 1999 California Practical Training Institute's 1999 Joint Firms Continuing Professional Education Conference: **New Developments In Estate Planning Laws Accountants.**
November 2000 California Minority Counsel Program's 11th Annual Business Development Conference: **Minority Partner's Roundtable.**
December 2000 California Practical Training Institute's 2000 Joint Firms Continuing Professional Education Conference: **New Developments In Estate Planning Laws Accountants.**
March 2001 Golden Gate University: California Minority Counsel Program's Law Career Panel: **Practice Diversity.**
October 2001 West Contra Costa Realtor's Association Monthly Meeting: **Estate Planning, Legalities Involved Where The Broker Of Record Is Incapacitated Or Dies And The Tax Consequences Thereof.**
April 2002 Princeton Club Of Northern California: **Preparing For Your Future: An Introduction To The Medical, Financial, Legal and Emotional Issues Of Growing Older**

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May 20, 2002

Board of Directors
AC Transit
1600 Franklin Street
Oakland, CA 94612

Re: Recommendation to the Board
for Vernon C. Goins

Dear Sirs and Madammes:

"This person is going somewhere" is a phrase that accurately describes Vernon C. Goins: businessman, attorney, linguist, teacher - and still a young person.

This recommendation is written from the vantage point of a business partner who has several years of daily, personal knowledge of someone seeking to join you as a board member for the transit district. My vantage point has enabled me to know his character and capabilities to a far greater degree than most other people.

Mr. Goins is a business lawyer - like me (although I am 20 years his senior). However, between ourselves, we are partners of a business. In that business, we are equal partners and, although I occupy a position somewhat functionally similar to the Chairman of the Board of a corporation, our relationship is structured so that Mr. Goins, with his MBA (among his other advanced degrees), is the actual "CEO" of our partnership. I often defer to his MBA business training, his business savvy and his vision - all to our mutual benefit. In fact, implementation of his business thinking has catapulted our mutual business into positions that were inconceivable to me only a few years ago. Prior to our partnership, I was a corporate technician; I practiced a particular field of law. Since our partnership, I co-manage a business that has other business owners as its primary clientele. That major shift in emphasis demonstrates the value of an MBA; Mr. Goins carries that credential well.

Mr. Goins is a linguist. He is a fluent Spanish and French speaker. Our business is structured to serve the needs of the Bay Area Latino community's business

Recommendation for Vernon C. Goins

To: AC Transit Board

May 20, 2002

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sector (as much as the Bay Area African American (and larger) business community) because of his ability to communicate in the Spanish language. His talents in French are of use in international law projects in Francophone countries. His sensitivity to the differences in cultures would serve AC Transit well.

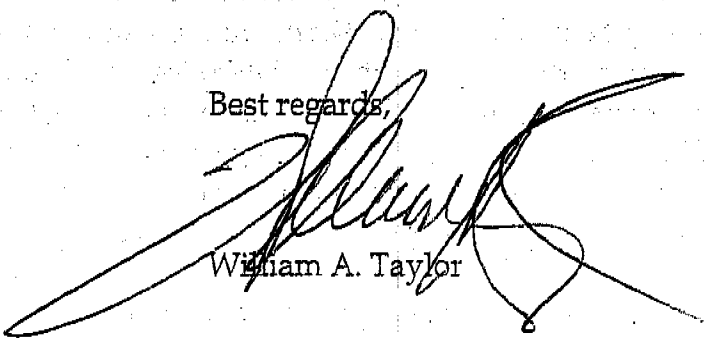
Mr. Goins is a teacher. He currently teaches a class in Business Law at Merritt College and has similarly taught at the University of San Francisco. Like other college-level disciplines, the courses have texts and examinations.

Mr. Goins is an opinion-maker: He is on the board of directors of the local NAACP. He is late of the board of the Alameda County Bar Association. He is currently on the board and is vice-president of the Charles Houston Bar Association. He is a member of and is legal advisor to the board of the 100 Black Men of the Bay Area. He is on the board of the National Bar Association.

Mr. Goins cares about the "little people." Because of his prodding, we have been participants in the Mayor's Summer Youth Project, hiring one or two kids every summer for the past three summers. During the year (for the past two years), due to his insistence, we have hired at least two (sometimes three) students from the Shell Youth Academy. Every now and then, an accomplished student arrives from those programs. The experience has been for our small (six lawyer) law firm to mentor and train in office procedure and decorum these groups of young Oaklanders who otherwise would never be exposed to real world corporate law and litigation. They do as much as they can individually bear, several degrees short of paralegal work, but they work and leave us much the better for it all. They tell us so. The policy of their hiring is solely attributable to Mr. Goins.

Without reservation, I recommend Vernon C. Goins to your board of directors. He brings a wealth of experience and vigor to all in which he is involved. Please contact me with any questions.

Best regards,



William A. Taylor



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Robert L. Harris
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May 20, 2002

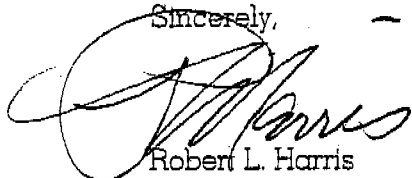
To Whom It May Concern:

It is my pleasure to write you on behalf of **Vernon C. Goins, II, Esq.** Mr. Goins is interested in becoming a member of AC Transit's Board of Directors. As a professional committed to varied and positive interests of the East Bay, I am pleased to recommend him for your current vacancy.

I have personally known Vernon over five (5) years and am impressed by, and can attest to, his character, integrity, honesty and concern for the community-in-general. During my tenure as his mentor at the time of his Juris Doctor internship, I worked very closely with Vernon and found him astute and committed to excellence. Moreover, his current leadership efforts as the Vice President of the Charles Houston Bar Association and Founder of the Stadium Scholarship Program (which rewards Middle School students), I am sure, are just the beginning of many efforts to come on his part to assist the greater Bay Area community.

For these reasons and as a supporter of the AC Transit community, I believe Vernon will be an asset to the AC Transit Board and hereby recommend that the Board strongly consider giving him an opportunity to serve our community in this capacity.

Sincerely,



Robert L. Harris

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DEMETRIUS D. SHELTON
Attorney at Law
1060 Solano Avenue, #629
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May 20, 2002

Dear Gentlepersons:

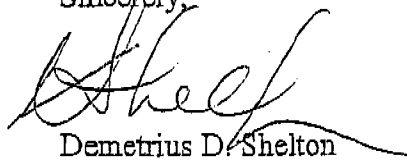
It is with great pleasure that I offer this letter of support and commendation for Vernon C. Goins, II for the vacant at-large seat on the AC Transit Board of Directors. I strongly encourage the appointment of Mr. Goins to this position as he is a person of impeccable character and abilities.

I have had the pleasure of knowing Vernon since he was a law student, and an attorney serving on the board of directors of the Charles Houston Bar Association. At that time I observed his exceptional leadership skills as he served as president of the Hastings School Of Law's Black Law Students Association. In later years, we again worked and served together on the Board of Directors of the Charles Houston Bar Association where his enthusiasm and dedication towards the community served as a shining example of how a lawyer could use the study and practice of law to implement change for society. I continue to observe his community service and thoughtful decision-making as we now serve together on the Boards of the Alameda County Bar Association and National Bar Association.

In addition to his professional accomplishments and accolades, I am very impressed and proud of Vernon's generosity toward others, and most notably toward law students. In addition to mentoring several students, Vernon has a reputation of providing students with his time, money and ear. I have no doubt that he will display such dedication toward the constituents of AC Transit.

Vernon Goins is an exceptional candidate for the vacant at-large seat on the AC Transit Board of Directors. As an attorney for the City of Oakland, charged with the responsibility of serving the constituents therein, and a steadfast community servant myself, I know firsthand that Vernon possesses those traits necessary to serve as an asset to AC Transit and the constituents it serves.

Sincerely,



Demetrius D. Shelton
Attorney at Law
Board of Governors, National Bar Association



Central East Oakland
Neighborhood Housing &
Community Services
CORPORATION

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DISTRICT SECRETARY'S OFFICE

May 14, 2002

AC Transit Board President
AC Transit District
1600 Franklin Street, 10th Floor
Oakland, California 94612

Attention: Ms. Rose Martinez, District Secretary

Dear Mr.

I'm applying for the vacancy on the AC Transit Board because, I'm a senior citizen rider of the system and I think that I could add an additional sensitivity to the Board because of this fact. My resume will speak to my abilities and concerns for this community. But more importantly here, I will give the Board a broader view of just what the AC Transit riders need and what they expect from their patronage.

Yours sincerely,

Robert Clemons

Robert Clemons
President

Attachments

RESUME AND BACKGROUND ON ROBERT E. CLEMONS

Name Robert Earl Clemons
 SS# 561-44-9646
 Address P. O. Box 896 Oakland, California 94604
 Telephone (510) 569 - 8692

Career Objective

To work with a public or private institution or organization utilizing my background and experience in working with minorities and other ethnic groups for housing, economic development and cultural enhancement in the arts. Providing an opportunity for self-advancement, and professional growth in volunteerism.

Present Occupation

Volunteer Director and President(1979 - To the Present Time)

Central East Oakland Neighborhood Housing and Community Services Corporation, is a 501(c)(3) federal tax exempt, non-profit community based housing development organization. This corporation is certified with, Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), to develop housing for low-and-moderate income families in the, Central East Oakland District, of Oakland, California.

Neighborhood housing rehabilitation, is one area of concentration of the program and a special effort is made to utilize neighborhood contractors and homeless individuals to perform rehabilitation work.

I performed all the background research and legal work to qualify non-profit status, and designed first initial proposal for funding consideration. I have acted as, Volunteer Director and President, from program inception, to the present time. The Board of Directors, is made-up of (27) members, with a volunteer staff of from (5 - 15) persons.

Volunteer Director and President(1980 - To the Present Time)

Central East Oakland Local Development Corporation, is a 501(c)(3) federal tax exempt, non-profit community based minority business development organization. The corporation, is certified with, Small Business Administration(SBA), for loan guarantees to start small business enterprizes. The programs primary purposes are, to assist on-going business and start new ones to enhance opportunities for job development for minorities in this area of, East Oakland, California.

I performed all the background research, and legal work to establish this non-profit business development organization. Designed first initial funding proposal for consideration. I have acted as, Volunteer Director and President, from the inception of this program. Community Board of (27), with a volunteer staff of (9).

Education BACHELORS DEGREE IN FINE ARTS, California College of Arts and Crafts - Oakland, California (1971)

Art Abilities Graphic Design, Photography, Lettering(Calligraphy), Printing(silkscreen), Lithography, Painting, Sculpture and Drawing. Related arts and crafts, television writing, Drama(acting), television production, directing and Stage Design.

Business Abilities Management and Accounting, Proposal research, preparation and design. Public relations, and Fundraising.

Background Experience

ROGUES ART GALLERY

Volunteer Director Administrator/Artist in Resident

Responsible for the administration and direction of Art Gallery activities, arranging for inside and outside art shows and on-going art presentations. Responsible for, research, preparation and submittal of funding proposals. Coordinated volunteers in solicitation of financial support, and created on-going support programs for this non-profit arts organization. The specific purpose of the, Rogues Gallery, was to assist ex-offenders, and show "Prison Art Works", as a rehabilitation effort for prison artist after release from prison.

CO-OP MARKETS ANNUAL ART FAIR

Volunteer Art Consultant

Responsible for coordinating participating Artist and Volunteers to produce annual arts and crafts show. In charge of sales and accounting procedures, assignment of booth spaces, and over-all administration of the arts and crafts fair.

ANNUAL BLACK ARTS FAIR

Volunteer Art Consultant

Responsible for contacting Black Artist in the (9) Bay Area Counties to participate in the, Annual Black Arts Fair, activities. Supervised volunteers in this effort and arranged show for presentation.

Background
Experience
(Continue)

BOYS CLUB OF AMERICA - CITY OF ALAMEDA

Volunteer Counselor/Artist in Resident

Counseled with troubled youth surrounding personal problems, problems with school, and peer pressure related depression. Developed classes in woodcarving, painting, and other arts and crafts.

ROYAL CONSTRUCTION COMPANY - BUILDING CONTRACTING

Volunteer Director/Administrator

Supervised volunteers to train ex-offenders in all aspects of the building trades, restoring rundown homes in the Berkeley, California. In an effort to rehabilitate them from prison life, to free society by learning a skill. I was in charge of administration and accounting; wrote funding proposals to various government and law enforcement agencies; solicited local funding support for this project, and taught all aspects of the plumbing trade based on (USAF) United States Air Force, training.

CITY OF OAKLAND, HOUSING DEPARTMENT

Special Housing Investigator/Housing Inspector

Responsible for surveying, inspection and rehabilitation procedures for, Certificate of Occupancy. I am a Certified Housing Inspector for the, Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD). Special Housing Investigator, duties and assignments were directly related to the promotion of, Volunteerism and Community Service, from neighborhood organization for "Community Get-togethers", in the, "Community Development Process." (CDBG) Community Development Block Grant, is the process whereby the, City of Oakland, receives it's grant allotment from the Federal Government.

OPERATION WOODSTOCK - EX-OFFENDER REHABILITATION PROJECT

Volunteer Director/Supervisor

Supervised volunteer staff and crew in woodcutting operation for the, East Bay Regional Park District, to clear dead Eucalyptus trees from the, East Bay Hills. Set-up a firewood business from the vast amount of trees that were cut down. I handled all of the administration, accounting and operation for this project.

background
experience
(Continue)

OPERATION WOODSTOCK - EX-OFFENDER REHABILITATION PROJECT

Volunteer Director/Supervisor

This effort used released prisoners(ex-offenders), as rehabilitation assistance. Project was endorsed by the, County of Alameda Welfare Department, and the, Alameda County Volunteers.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS - NATIONAL PROGRAMS

Work Furlough Program - Authorship Recognition

The, "Work Furlough Program", was designed to let prisoners seek gainful employment while still in custody. This concept has been widely accepted by the, United States Department of Justice, and is now prominently used throughout the nation.

Free Speech Message - Authorship Recognition

The, "Open Television Concept", was designed to allow citizens to use television airways to inform the community on vital issues without charge. This program has been accepted by the,(FCC) Federal Communications Commission, and is in wide use throughout the, United States, by neighborhood organizations.

Vocare House - First Half-Way House for Women - Co-Author

A Half-way house is a place where ex-offenders are housed in cities where they have no relatives to care for them or until employment can be secured. Through the efforts of hard working volunteers of many ethnic groups, the first half-way house for women was developed in Oakland, California. This concept is in wide use throughout the, United States, at the present time.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECTS - Many letters of commendation on volunteerism, from federal, state, county and city officials.

African American Development Inc.

May 14, 2002


AC Transit Board President
AC Transit District
1600 Franklin Street, 10th Floor
Oakland, California 94612

Attention: Ms. Rose Martinez, District Secretary

Dear Mr. President,

I have known Robert Clemons, for many, many years and his community service work within the city of Oakland. His administrative ability has been impressive and above question. His service to the AC Transit Board, I believe, will be outstanding if he is chosen.

Yours truly,


Rafeeq Naji
President

7th Street
McClymonds
Corridor
neighborhood
improvement
initiative

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Allen Edson

May 15, 2002

AC Transit Board President
AC Transit District
1600 Franklin Street, 10th Floor
Oakland, CA 94612

RE: Vacancy on the Board of Directors

Dear Mr. President:

I have known, Robert Clemons for a number of years and have found him to be a responsible administrator. He has run community organizations in East Oakland for many years. He has always freely given of his time and energy to improve his community.

It is my pleasure to recommend Mr. Clemons for appointment to the AC Transit Board. I am confident that you will find him hardworking and dependable.

Sincerely,



Allen Edson
Executive Director

CITY OF OAKLAND



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Office of the Mayor
Lionel J. Wilson
Mayor

March 19, 1979

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

I have known Robert E. Clemons for at least three years and I have had numerous opportunities to observe his work in the community as the Director of the Rogues Gallery, Inc., a well-known Bay Area prison reform organization. I have also personally seen his work with youth groups in the community and I have found that work to be impressive.

To the best of my knowledge, I have found Bob Clemons to be a responsible, hard-working administrator and community leader who is dedicated to helping the lives of those with whom he works in the community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Lionel J. Wilson".
LIONEL J. WILSON
Mayor

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