To: Matt Cherry, President and Members of City Council

From: Wade Kapszukiewicz, Mayor

Subject: Appointment to the Human Relations Commission

10/22/2019

I Recommend the Following Appointment to the Human Relations Commission

Appointee	Appointee Replaced	Proposed Term of Office	Section 61 waiver as a special engagement	Reserved / Type	Slot Recommended by (if applicable)	Attendance Record	Resume attached
Aisha Sleiman	Fatima Al-Hayani	continuation of term expiring 6/5/2021	No	At Large		NA	Yes

Wade Kapszukiewicz

Mayor

AISHA SLEIMAN

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EDUCATION

UCLA School of Law, Los Angeles, CA

J.D. Candidate May 2017

Enrolled in David J. Epstein Program in Public Interest Law and Policy and Critical Race Studies Specializations

Journals:

Journal of Near Eastern Law and Islamic Law, Editor-in-Chief

Activities:

Muslim Law Students Association, Co-chair

International Refugee Assistance Project, Co-Director

El Centro Legal Skid Row Clinic, Co-chair

Beautiful Mind Project (Campus Organization), Project Director

Mentors for Academic and Peer Support (Campus Organization), Student Development

Coordinator

UCLA, Los Angeles, CA

B.A., summa cum laude, Middle Eastern and North African Studies, June 2013

Activities:

Project Director, Incarcerated Youth Tutorial Project

Programming Director, MSA UCLA College Day 2012

EXPERIENCE

Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Toledo, OH

September 2017-Present

Staff Attorney, Housing and Community Economic Development

- Conduct legal research and investigate a variety of systemic housing and economic inequity issues
- Employ a community lawyering approach by meeting with diverse community groups and advocating for community reinvestment on their behalf
- Represent clients in a variety of civil legal issues

Public Counsel, Los Angeles, CA

January 2017-May 2017

Enrolled Student, Asylum Clinic

- Interviewed asylum client, drafted declaration, completed I-589, researched and drafted legal brief for client
- · Assisted in preparing for asylum interview, and ultimately won asylum for client

UCLA School of Law, Los Angeles, CA

August 2016 - February 2017

Research Assistant to Professor Khaled Abou El Fadl

- Conduct legal and social science research in support of Dr. Abou El Fadl's diverse projects.
- Employ varied research databases and resources after extensive research training.

American Civil Liberties Union of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

May 2016 - Present

Law Clerk, Immigrants Rights Project

- Conduct legal research and write research memoranda; draft portions of briefs and complaints; engage in document review in response to discovery request.
- Communicated with immigrant clients, researched immigration-related legal issues, and drafted research memorandum and memorandum assessing available courses of action.

International Human Rights Clinic, Los Angeles, CA

January 2016 –

June 2016

Enrolled Student

- Drafted a report through a human rights lens for the "ICE out of LA Coalition" and the National Immigration
 Law Center examining the implementation of the new Priority Enforcement Program in Los Angeles.
- Drafted legal analysis focusing on the xenophobia that refugees and migrants currently face throughout for the UN Special Rapporteur on Contemporary Forms of Racism.

2015

Legal Extern

- Assisted with all phases of eviction defense litigation and public benefits administrative proceedings, including drafting motions and participating in discovery.
- Interviewed clients to identify legal issues, conducted legal research, and drafted advocacy letters or short memoranda.
- Prepared self-help materials for and participated in community outreach and education.

The Greenlining Institute, Berkeley, CA

May 2015 -

August 2015

Summer Associate

- Researched, wrote, and presented to community advocates and policy-makers a report addressing the complex legal barriers to, government policies regarding, and benefits of community broadband for disadvantaged and minority communities.
- Assisted with drafting of comments for Federal Communications Commission and Public Utilities Commission proceedings related to Lifeline for Broadband.
- Participated in intensive leadership development, policy advocacy, public speaking, and communications training.