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MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

MAY 10 2019

The Honorable Phil Mendelson
Chairman
Council of the District of Columbia
John A. Wilson Building
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504
Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

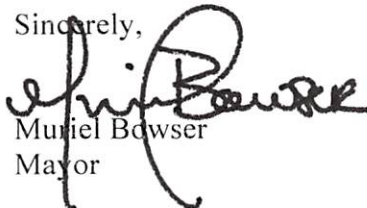
In accordance with section 2(b)(3) of the Real Property Tax Appeals Commission Establishment Act of 2010, effective April 8, 2011 (D.C. Law 18-363; D.C. Official Code § 47-825.01a), which established the Real Property Tax Appeals Commission ("Commission"), I am pleased to nominate the following individual:

Richard G. Amato
15000 Pennfield Circle
Unit 301
Silver Spring, M.D. 20906

for reappointment as a Vice Chair of the Commission, for a term to end April 30, 2023. Enclosed, you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominees, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of these nominations for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,


Muriel Bowser
Mayor


Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Chairman Phil Mendelson, at the request of the Mayor, introduced the following resolution,
which was referred to the Committee on _____

To confirm the reappointment of Mr. Richard G. Amato as a member of the Real Property Tax
Appeals Commission.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this
resolution may be cited as the "Real Property Tax Appeals Commission Richard G. Amato
Confirmation Resolution 2019".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the reappointment of:

Mr. Richard G. Amato
15000 Pennfield Circle
Unit 301
Silver Spring, M.D. 20906

as full-time Vice Chairperson of the Real Property Tax Appeals Commission, established by
section 2(b)(3) of the Real Property Tax Appeals Commission Establishment Act of 2010,
effective April 8, 2011 (D.C. Law 18-363; D.C. Official Code § 47-825.01a), for a term to end
April 30, 2023.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution,
upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Richard G. Amato, Esq.

EDUCATION:

Georgetown University A.B. (English, Honors English Comprehensives) 1964

The George Washington University J.D. 1967

The George Washington University L.L.M. (Concentration in Government Contracts)
1969

EXPERIENCE:

2012 – Present Real Property Tax Appeals Commission, Vice Chairman.
Develops and implements rules of procedure and practice for cases before the Commission; and approves the use of forms and documents that will assist in managing cases coming before the Commission. Develops and implements a code of professional responsibility for Commissioners.

Makes accurate summaries of evidence, and prepares examiners' reports, opinions, and findings; and presents written statements of fact, law and argument clearly and logically.

Analyzes a variety of controversial problems in the light of applicable principles and precedents, exercising independent judgment in arriving at findings of fact and conclusions of law.

Presides over formal hearings and processes complex commercial assessment appeal matters for the Commission.

1972 – 2012 DC Office of the Attorney General, Sr. Assistant Attorney General.
Litigated civil tax cases both in the trial and appellate courts of the District and the United States; including briefs in the Supreme Court, argued approximately 30 cases in the Courts of Appeals and defeated the United States and the World Bank in federal court. His cases established the foundations of local tax law in the District of Columbia, both substantively and procedurally.

1970 – 1972	DC Office of Corporation Counsel, Prosecutor, Criminal Tax Division.
1968 - 1970	Interstate Commerce Commission, Attorney Advisor. Authored opinions granting authority of specific interstate trucking companies to operate.
1973 - 1975	Judge Advocate General's Corps, Captain
1967 – 1975	U.S. Army Reserves (Honorable Discharge)



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Richard Amato



Richard Amato is currently the Real Property Tax Appeals Commission Vice Chairperson.

Mr. Amato enlisted in the U.S. Army Reserves in 1967 and received a direct commission as a Captain in the Judge Advocate General's Corps in 1973. Mr. Amato received an honorable discharge in 1975.

Mr. Amato joined the District of Columbia Office of Corporation Counsel (now Office of the Attorney General) on May 4, 1970. From 1970 to 1972, he served as a prosecutor against criminal tax violators. In 1972, Mr. Amato began litigating civil tax cases both in the trial and appellate courts of the District and the United States, including arguing briefs in the Supreme Court. Mr. Amato argued approximately 30 cases in the Court of Appeals and defeated the United States and the World Bank in federal court. His cases established the foundations of local tax law in the District of Columbia, both substantively and procedurally.

A Maryland resident, Mr. Amato received his Bachelor of Arts in English from Georgetown and a Juris Doctor from the George Washington University.



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To: Alana Intrieri, Steve Walker
From: Betsy Cavendish
Date: April 30, 2019
Subject: Legal sufficiency review of Resolution nominating Richard G. Amato as a member to the Real Property Tax Appeals Commission

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced legislation and found it to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 202-724-7681.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Elizabeth A. Cavendish'. The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Elizabeth Cavendish