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OFFICE OF THE  
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MURIEL BOWSER  
MAYOR

SEP 27 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 204 of the Water and Sewer Authority Establishment and Department of Public Works Reorganization Act of 1996, effective April 18, 1996 (D.C. Law 11-111; D.C. Official Code § 34-2202.04), and section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01), I am pleased to nominate the following person for reappointment to the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority Board of Directors ("Board"):

Mr. Jed Ross  
3032 N Street NW  
Washington, DC 20007  
(Ward 2)

as an alternate member of the Board, for a term to end September 12, 2023.

Enclosed you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with a proposed resolution to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Muriel Bowser".  
Muriel Bowser



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. Jed Ross to the District of Columbia Water and Sewer  
Authority Board of Directors.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this  
resolution may be cited as the “District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority Board of  
Directors Jed Ross Confirmation Resolution of 2019”.

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

Mr. Jed Ross  
3032 N Street NW  
Washington, DC 20007  
(Ward 2)

as an alternate member of the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority Board of  
Directors, in accordance with section 204 of the Water and Sewer Authority Establishment and  
Department of Public Works Reorganization Act of 1996, effective April 18, 1996 (D.C. Law  
11-111; D.C. Official Code § 34-2202.04), for a term to end September 12, 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.

# Jed Ian Ross, Esq.

## **Work**

### **Experience**

08/13 - Present  
Washington, DC

## **Goldblatt Martin Pozen LLP**

### **-Attorney, Labor, Business, Real Estate, and Corporate Law**

- Assists Goldblatt Martin Pozen clients (Corporate, Nonprofit, and Individuals) in achieving their regulatory and legal needs
- Represents employers and employees in labor and employment matters
- Provides sound legal advice on Corporate Governance, Real Estate, Regulatory, and Legislative concerns
- Drafts operating agreements, intellectual property transfers, personal property transfers, lease amendments, legislation, articles of organization, corporate bylaws, business tax forms, and other documents

09/05 - 08/13  
Washington, DC

## **District of Columbia Government,**

### **Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA),**

#### **-Deputy Director of Operations & Chairman of the Board of Condemnation**

- Administer Agency budget and contracting decisions representing over \$25 million annually
- Served as Human Resources Director and Contract Administrator for the Agency
- Enhanced performance by overseeing employee performance management system
- Acted as Agency Representative for the relocation of 270 employees to new worksite
- Oversaw the Board of Condemnation of Insanitary Buildings for the District of Columbia
- Managed a staff of 12 direct reports including two Managers and their staff totaling over 20
- Liaised with numerous Agencies and Council at all levels of Government
- Made determinations of tax classification and assessments for the Board of Condemnation
- Heard cases from the public regarding tax appeals for Vacant and Blighted Properties and made rulings on behalf of the District of Columbia
- Analyzed the construction and placement of employees in over 100,000 sq. foot workspace
- Worked with outside vendors as a client representative to establish closed circuit television and a customer service management system
- Negotiated Memorandums of Understanding and Scopes of Work with third parties
- Arbitrated and Defended the Agency in Labor Disputes
- Oversaw the support and administrative functions of the Agency
- Assisted in Process Flow Analysis and Recommended Solutions to Process Backlogs
- Ordered Razes on Unsafe Properties and Issued Special Assessment Liens on Properties
- Made Agency Determinations on Safety, Security, and Work policies
- Agency Expert in payroll and benefits via complex database's and infrastructure

## **Office of Attorney General (OAG), Commercial Division - Real Estate Section,**

### **-Assistant Attorney General**

- Assisted District in acquiring land for the Nationals Stadium along with other residential development projects using eminent domain, tax foreclosure, and negotiated purchases
- Analyzed Appraisals and hired expert witnesses to ensure proper values were established
- Gave legal counsel to the District of Columbia Property Acquisition and Disposition Division (DHCD) on all aspects of acquisition and disposition through litigation, transactional, and legislative assistance
- Drafted and analyzed disposition agreements for multiple residential real estate deals, specifically the DC Ivy City Special Demonstration Project with over 20 properties
- Negotiated with opposing counsel and residential real estate developers for the District
- Drafted and analyzed purchase and sale agreements that required District of Columbia Council Resolutions granting the Department of Housing and Community Development authority to enter into contracts valued at over a million dollars
- Familiarity and assistance given to the D.C. Department of Real Estate Services
- Created opinions of title and analyzed probate records to ensure clear title was present for District owned properties and potential acquisitions
- Analyzed and Drafted District of Columbia RFPs for the disposition of dilapidated properties
- Attended settlements on behalf of the District to ensure a smooth transaction

- Led client meetings and assisted in promulgating programmatic rules and documents
- Expertise and familiarity with individuals and processes at the District of Columbia Record of Deeds and Surveyor's Office
- Expertise and familiarity with individuals and processes at the District of Columbia Surveyors Office for obtaining District land records
- Reviewed and Approved Master Meter Electric Covenants submitted by Developer's Counsel
- Reviewed and Approved Storm Water Covenants submitted by Developer's Counsel
- Held meetings with the staff of District of Columbia Department of Small and Local Business Development while analyzing District Wide Development requirements for Local, Small and Economically Disadvantaged partners in all District Development Projects
- Worked with the DC Office of Tax and Revenue to clear liens, wipe out taxes, and waive fees for development deals
- Worked with the DC Office of Tax and Revenue regarding tax assessments
- Filed and argued Tax Foreclosure Actions in D.C. Superior Court
- Negotiated with the DC Water Authority over Water Liens
- Purchased tax liens from lien holders to ensure acquisition of properties

05/04 – 08/04  
Washington, DC

**Griffin, Farmer and Murphy LLP, Real Estate Law Firm**  
**Summer Clerkship**

- Assisted settlement attorney in reviewing HUD-1's
- Researched case law, statutes, and historical legal documents for clients
- Analyzed tax pass-throughs and assisted in managing a commercial property

06/01 – 05/02  
Bloomington, IN

**Indiana Daily Student, Newspaper with 18,000 in free daily circulation**  
**Marketing Manager and Team Leader**

- Managed marketing materials for sales staff selling over 2 million dollars annual advertising
- Managed and created website with over 40 different restaurants which was updated weekly
- Worked with graphic artists to discuss and create marketing materials, website graphics, posters, and advertisements for the IDS

**Education**

08/02 – 08/05  
Syracuse, NY

**Syracuse University College of Law**  
**Juris Doctor, May 2005**

- Writing requirement in Commercial Real Estate Course on Broker's Liens Nationwide
- Utica Corporation Counsel – General Externship Practice for the City of Utica

08/99 – 05/02  
Bloomington, IN

**Indiana University, Kelley School of Business, Top 10 Business Program**  
**B.S., Marketing and Distribution Management, Specialty Ranked 6<sup>th</sup> in the Country**

- Achieved a practical and theoretical understanding of core business practices including general finance and accounting
- Analyzed a case study for a medical business and drafted a 200 page report in one week with a team of class members
- Attended managerial and financial accounting courses
- Attended finance courses and courses on computer information systems

**Additional Skills**

- **Excellent PC Skills; HTML, MS Excel, MS Access, Word, Powerpoint, Photoshop, Twitter, Peoplesoft, and Lexis/Westlaw**
- Extremely knowledgeable in dealing with technology including servers, networks, phone systems, computer troubleshooting, software, and all forms of infrastructure
- Excellence with numbers and analysis of best business practices

**Admitted to Practice**

**Bar Memberships**

- **District of Columbia – July 2006**
- **Maryland – December 2005**



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## Jed Ross



Mr. Jed Ross is the Chief Risk Officer at the Office of Risk Management and current alternate member of the Water and Sewer Authority Board of Directors.

Previously, Mr. Ross served as a Senior Advisor with the DC Department of Human Resources. While with the Department of Human Resources (DCHR), Mr. Ross advised and assisted the Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments with its recruitment and onboarding of Mayoral Appointees. Before serving at DCHR, Mr. Ross was an attorney at Goldblatt Martin Pozen, LLP. He previously served as the Acting Deputy Director of Operations and Human Resource Director for the District of Columbia's Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA). While at the DCRA, he also served as the Chairman of the District of Columbia's Board of Condemnation of Insanitary Buildings. Before his work at the DCRA, Mr. Ross worked for the District of Columbia's Office of the Attorney General within the Commercial Division focusing on District of Columbia real estate matters.

A Ward 2 resident, Mr. Ross received a Bachelor of Science in Marketing and Distribution Management from Indiana University's Kelly School of Business and a Juris Doctor from Syracuse University College of Law.



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:** September 26, 2019  
**Subject:** Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions nominating Anthony Giancola, Howard Gibbs, and David Franco as alternate members, and David Franco as a principal member, and appointing Joe Leonard as an alternate member of the District of Columbia Water and Sewer Authority Board of Directors

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**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 black ink that reads 'Elizabeth A. Cavendish'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

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Elizabeth Cavendish