



MURIEL BOWSER
MAYOR

December 1, 2022

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:

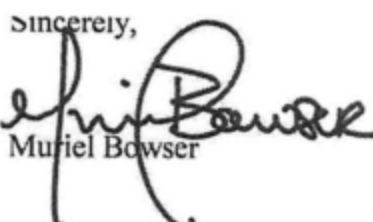
In accordance with section 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code§ 1-523.01), and pursuant to D.C. Official Code§ 16-1052, I am pleased to nominate the following person:

Ms. Ashley Joyner Chavous
Drake Place, SE
Washington, DC 20019
(Ward 7)

for reappointment as a community representative member of the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board, for a term to end July 20, 2025.

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,

Muriel Bowser



Chairman Phil Mendelson
at the request of the Mayor

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

To confirm the appointment of Ms. Ashley Joyner Chavous to the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board Ashley Joyner Chavous Confirmation Resolution of 2022".

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

Ms. Ashley Joyner Chavous
Drake Place, SE
Washington, DC 20019
(Ward 7)

as a community representative member of the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board, pursuant to D.C. Official Code § 16-1052, for a term to end July 20, 2025.

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.

ASHLEY JOYNER CHAVOUS

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EXPERIENCE

Covington & Burling LLP, Washington, DC

2016-PRESENT

Senior Associate

Represent clients in a range of criminal and enforcement matters and provide compliance and governance advice. Conduct internal investigations in the United States, Asia, Europe, and South America. Represent companies and individuals in FCPA enforcement matters, and counsel clients facing difficult FCPA issues in a variety of business contexts. Assist clients in developing and implementing FCPA compliance programs and conducting FCPA training. Also represent clients at all stages of litigation, from case inception through trial and appeal, including arguing motions before state and federal courts, and examining fact and expert witnesses at trial. Maintain an active pro bono practice, with a particular interest in child custody/neglect litigation, protective order proceedings, and special education advocacy. Selected as *Washington DC Super Lawyers*, Criminal Defense: White Collar Rising Star in 2017 and 2018. Honored in the 2013, 2014, 2016, and 2017 Capital Pro Bono Honor Roll (high honors) for pro bono commitment.

DC Volunteer Lawyers Project, Washington, DC

2016-PRESENT

Junior Board Member

Advocate for better policies and legislation, and increased funding for domestic violence victims and at-risk children. Represent victims in obtaining protective orders ordering their abusers to stay away, and provide legal advice, housing assistance and counseling at weekly resource clinic.

Pillsbury Winthrop Shaw Pittman LLP, Washington, DC

2011 AND 2012-2015

Associate (2012-Present); Summer Associate (Summer 2011)

Handled a broad range of complex litigation matters before federal and state courts. Conducted pre-suit negotiations, initial case intake and assessment, discovery management and fact development, and trial practice, including defending and second-chairing depositions, and examining witnesses at trial. Drafted and managed initial court filings, and pretrial and post-trial motions, including arguing dispositive motions, discovery motions and motions for reconsideration. Conducted internal fact investigations and liability assessments in support of ongoing or anticipated civil or criminal actions, and/or in response to third-party subpoenas. Served on firm's recruiting and diversity committees. Honored in the Hot List (2014), list developed by *Lawyers of Color* that showcases diverse attorneys who are considered rising stars in their legal specialties.

United States Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia, Washington, D.C.

SUMMER-FALL 2010

Law Clerk, Organized Crime/Narcotics Trafficking (Summer); Sex Offenses/Domestic Violence (Fall)

Conducted legal research and drafted memoranda and motions in pending federal conspiracy and federal drug trafficking cases, and misdemeanor and felony sex offense and domestic violence cases. Researched procedural issues relevant to indictments and criminal investigations. Participated in witness conferences. Assisted Assistant United States Attorneys in trial. Observed hearings and trials of cases, and victim interviews at the D.C. Children's Advocacy Center.

The Telegraph, Macon, GA

2007-2009

Crime & Courts Reporter

Reported on crime, the courts, and public safety in Macon, GA, during a period when Macon led the state in per capita crime. Generated multiple stories daily, including a range of crime briefs and enterprise and investigative pieces. Led local coverage of major public safety issues and criminal trials. Awarded the 2009 Georgia Associated Press Association Award in the Best Public Service/Writing Category (3rd Place) and the 2008 NAACP Earl T. Shufroster Freedom Fund Award for Media.

The News-Democrat, Belleville, IL

2006- 2007

Crime & Courts Reporter

Reported on crime, the courts, and feature news at Southwestern Illinois' major newspaper, which primarily serves Belleville, East Saint Louis, IL, and Saint Louis, MO. Co-directed the Newspapers in Education high school journalism program.

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EDUCATION

Howard University School of Law, J.D., 2012

- *Merit Scholarship Recipient* (2010-12)
- *Student Attorney*, Criminal Justice Clinic (2011-12)
- *Dale and Johnnie Cochran Endowed Scholarship Recipient* (2011-12)
- *Judge Thomas Harper Scholarship Recipient* (2011-12)
- *Earl H. Davis Scholarship Recipient*, Olender Foundation (2010-11)

New York University Graduate School of Journalism, M.A. in Print Journalism, 2006

- *Freelance Reporter*, *New York Daily News* and *New York Amsterdam News*

Syracuse University, B.A. in English & Textual Studies, 2004

- *Minor*: Spanish
- *Columnist & Assistant Editor*, *The Daily Orange* (university newspaper)

BAR ADMISSIONS & ACTIVITIES

- *Member*, Virginia State Bar; District of Columbia Bar
- *Member*, Metropolitan DC Chapter of The Links, Inc.
- *Auxiliary Board Member*, Washington School for Girls
- *Member*, Junior League of Washington



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Ashley J. Chavous



Ashley J. Chavous currently serves as Special Counsel at Covington & Burling LLP and is a Junior Board member of the District of Columbia Volunteer Lawyers Project.

Ms. Chavous represents financial institutions, public companies, and senior executives in investigations and enforcement actions brought by the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, and other U.S. regulators. She has conducted internal investigations in the United States, Asia, Europe, and South America. She has represented companies and individuals in a variety of Foreign Corrupt Practices Act enforcement matters and regularly counsels clients facing allegations of fraud and financial irregularities. With extensive experience handling diverse compliance and governance issues, Ms. Chavous assists clients across a wide range of industries with anti-corruption due diligence and developing and implementing anti-corruption compliance programs. She has experience representing clients at all stages of litigation, from case inception through trial and appeal. She has argued motions before state and federal courts and examined fact and expert witnesses at trial. As a member of Covington's Institutional Culture and Social Responsibility practice, Ms. Chavous also routinely handles highly sensitive reviews and investigations related to workplace misconduct and institutional culture.

Ms. Chavous also maintains an active pro bono practice specifically concerning special education advocacy and child custody/neglect litigation. With the DC Lawyers Project, she advocates for better policies and legislation, and increased funding for domestic violence victims and at-risk children. Ms. Chavous also represents victims in obtaining protective orders ordering their abusers to stay away, and provides legal advice, housing assistance and counseling at weekly resource clinics.

A Ward 7 resident, Ms. Chavous received a Bachelor's of the Arts in English & Textual Studies from Syracuse University, a Master's of the Arts in Print Journalism from New York University Graduate School of Journalism and a Juris Doctorate from Howard University School of Law.

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To: Bryan Hum, Steve Walker

From: Betsy Cavendish

Date: October 3, 2022

Subject: Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions nominating Lisa Geller, Ashley Joyner Chavous, Laila Leigh, Shannarese Sims, and Varina Winder as members of the Domestic Violence Fatality Review Board

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced resolutions and found them to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call Vanessa Careiro, Deputy General Counsel, Executive Office of the Mayor, at 202-724-1303, or me at 202-724-7681.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Elizabeth A. Cavendish'.

Elizabeth Cavendish