



MURIEL BOWSER

MAYOR

October 26, 2023

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 section 3042 of the Fatality Review Committee Amendment Act of 2018, effective October 30, 2018 (D.C. Law 22-168; D.C. Official Code § 5-1431.01), I am pleased to nominate the following individual:

Ms. Helaina Roisman
New Hampshire Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20009
(Ward 1)

for reappointment as a representative from a hospital located in the District member of the Violence Fatality Review Committee, for a term to end October 12, 2025.


Enclosed you will find biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, together with proposed resolutions 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

To confirm the reappointment of Ms. Helaina Roisman to the Violence Fatality Review Committee.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Violence Fatality Review Committee Helaina Roisman Confirmation Resolution of 2023".

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

Ms. Helaina Roisman
New Hampshire Avenue
Washington, DC 20009
(Ward 1)

as a representative from a hospital located in the District member of the Violence Fatality Review Committee, established by section 3042 of the Fatality Review Committee Amendment Act of 2018, effective October 30, 2018 (D.C. Law 22-168; D.C. Official Code § 5-1431.01), for a term to end October 12, 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.

HELAINA ROISMAN

EXPERIENCE

LICENSED INDEPENDENT CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKER

December

2017- Present

Licensed in the District of Columbia to practice social work independently.

GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL, Washington, DC

May 2015 – Present

Injury Prevention and Outreach Coordinator

Work with hospital personnel as well as community and government leaders and organizations to educate and help prevent injuries, including alcohol and drug related injury prevention, violent related injury prevention, falls related injury prevention, and bicycle and pedestrian safety. Gather information and data from trauma team, ICU staff and patients on injuries to inform future prevention efforts. Collaborate with local trauma centers and community agencies on injury prevention efforts. Create and distribute educational materials highlighting leading causes of traumatic injury and appropriate safety measures. Sit on the advisory committee for State violence prevention initiatives, working closely with OCME and MPD on such efforts. Run the Trauma Survivors Network at GWUH, a national program for survivors of traumatic injury, which entails meeting with patients, offering resources, and providing forums to meet other trauma survivors.

GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL, Washington, DC

September 2014 – May 2015

Student Intern

Work with social workers, doctors, nurses, graduate students and hospital staff to provide treatment for individuals presenting to the hospital with psychiatric needs. Conduct psychosocial assessments of individuals who present to the emergency department and to the inpatient psychiatric unit with psychiatric needs. Provide ongoing psychosocial support for individuals who are admitted to the inpatient psychiatric unit and facilitate multiple process-oriented therapy groups in the inpatient psychiatric unit. Conduct discharge planning with individuals including connection to appropriate resources in the community.

BRINTON WOODS HEALTH & REHABILITATION CENTER, Washington, DC

September 2013 – May 2014

Student Intern

Work with individuals and groups to promote physical, mental and emotional health and wellbeing. Participated in interdisciplinary team meetings with residents and residents' family members to discuss initial care planning and ultimately discharge planning. Engaged and worked with government and community resources on behalf of residents.

HEALTH COACH/NUTRITION COUNSELOR, New York, NY and Washington, DC

2010 – 2014

Worked as a Health Coach and Holistic Nutritional Counselor. Drawing on knowledge in holistic nutrition, preventative health and knowledge of different dietary theories, worked with clients to help them make lifestyle changes. Worked with clients individually and also performed group workshops at various organizations.

EDUCATION

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA, Washington, DC

Master of Social Work, May

2015

Master of Social Work

NEW YORK SCHOOL OF INTEGRATIVE NUTRITION, New York, NY

H.C., 2010

Received certification as a Holistic Health Practitioner.

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, New York, NY

Bachelor of Arts, 2005



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Helaina Roisman



Helaina Roisman is the Injury Prevention and Outreach Coordinator at George Washington University Hospital. She works to help prevent injuries including alcohol and drug related prevention and violence related prevention. She works with trauma teams, intensive care unit staff, and patients to gain a better understanding of common ways to decrease injuries.

In her role at George Washington University Hospital she also runs the Trauma Survivors Network at the Hospital, which entails meeting with patients, offers resources, and allows trauma survivors to meet.

A Ward 1 resident, she received a B.A. from New York University and a Master of Social Work from Catholic University of America.



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



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To: Tommy Wells, Steve Walker
From: Betsy Cavendish
Date: July 28, 2023
Subject: Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions nominating Charlayne Hayling-Williams, Dr. Eric Li, Dr. Erin Hall, Helaina Roisman, Joseph Richardson, Juanita Price, Kenyatta Hazlewood, and Dr. Mallory Williams as members of the Violence Fatality Review Committee

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'. The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looped 'E' at the beginning.

Elizabeth A. (Betsy) Cavendish