



February 8, 2024

Honorable Members of the City Council
c/o City Clerk
City Hall, Room 395

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have appointed Ms. Wilma Pinder to the Board of Water and Power Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2027.

I certify that in my opinion Ms. Pinder is especially qualified by reason of training and experience for the work which shall devolve upon her, and that I make the appointment solely in the interest of the City.

Ms. Pinder will fill the vacancy created by the departure of Cynthia McClain-Hill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Bass".

KAREN BASS
Mayor

KB:tga

Attachment

COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

Name: Wilma Pinder
Commission: Board of Water and Power Commissioners
End of Term: 6/30/2027

Appointee Information

1. **Race:** African American
2. **Gender:** Female
3. **Council District and neighborhood of residence:** 10 - South LA
4. **Are you a registered voter in the City of Los Angeles?** Yes
5. **Prior commission experience:**
6. **Highest level of education completed:** J.D., University of California Los Angeles, School of Law
7. **Occupation/profession:** Retired, Assistant City Attorney, City of Los Angeles
8. **Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment:** See attached resume
9. **Purpose of this appointment:** Appointment
10. **Current composition of the commission (excluding appointee):**

Commissioner	APC	CD	Race	Gender	Term End
Katz, Nurit	South Valley	4	Caucasian	F	6/30/2028
Brady, Nicole	Central	4	Caucasian	F	6/30/2026
Lehrer, Mia	Central	4	Latinx	F	6/30/2024
VACANT					6/30/2027
McGraw, George	East LA	13	Caucasian	M	6/30/2025

WILMA J. PINDER

EDUCATION:

B.A. Psychology, University of Southern California
M.S. Psychology, Howard University, Washington, D.C.
Juris Doctorate, UCLA School of Law, CA Bar 079645

CAREER HISTORY: (Partial list)

Assistant City Attorney (Retired) Office of Los Angeles City Attorney, 1979 - 2008
Los Angeles Community College Instructor, Psychology, 1967 - 1971

BOARD EXPERIENCE: (Partial list)

USC Centennial Advisory Committee	2022- Present
Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center Ethics Committee	2021 - Present
USC Town and Gown, Board	2021 - Present
USC Trojan League of Los Angeles, Board	2021 - Present
UCLA Foundation (Trustee, Emeritus)	1995 - Present
Los Angeles County Commissioner	2013 - Present
Citizens Economy and Efficiency Commission	2016 - Present
Commission for Older Adults	2013 - 2016
Inner City Youth Orchestra of Los Angeles (ICYOLA)	2016 - 2022
USC Half Century Trojans Board	2013 - 2021
Los Angeles County Bar Association (Trustee)	1997 - 1998
Hugh O'Brien Youth Foundation (Trustee)	1995 - 1996
UCLA Women & Philanthropy	1993 - 1998
Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles & CA Women Lawyers	1991 - 1995
UCLA School of Law Alumni Committee	1986 - 1990

EXPERTISE:

Government Relations - Civil Litigation, Adult Education, Community Advocacy, Human Relations, Mediation, Nonprofit Board Governance.

MEMBERSHIPS: (Partial list)

USC Black Alumni Association, Rev. Dr. Thomas Kilgore, Jr., Service, Honoree, 2022
Life Member: National Bar Association and NBA Hall of Fame, Honoree, 2019
Annual Member: American Bar Association and California Bar Association
Life Member: California Association of Black Lawyers, Black Women Lawyers & CA Women Lawyers, Langston Bar Association and Langston Hall of Fame Honoree, 2013
Life Fellow: American Bar Foundation (ABF) & ABF Board Member, 2000 - 2010



KAREN BASS
MAYOR

February 8, 2024

Dear Ms. Pinder:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby appoint you to the Board of Water and Power Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2027, subject to confirmation by the City Council.

To begin the appointment process, please review, sign, and return the enclosed Remuneration Form and undated Letters of Separation **within one week** of receiving this letter. These documents are necessary to ensure the most efficient, open, and accountable city government possible.

Mayor's Office policy requires all potential commissioners to be fingerprinted as part of the background check. The Commissions team will assist in connecting you with Personnel's Background Unit so that you may schedule an appointment to have this done. You must schedule the appointment **within one week** of receiving this letter.

Should this apply to your commission, you will be receiving a packet from the City Ethics Commission containing information about the City's conflict of interest laws, and a copy of the State Form 700/Statement of Economic Interests. You are required to complete and return this form **within 21 days** of your nomination to the City Ethics Commission via the California Fair Political Practices Commission's eDisclosure website, or by mailing the forms to City Hall at 200 N. Spring Street, 24th Floor, Los Angeles, California 90012. Any inquiries regarding this form should be directed to Nicole Enriquez at the City Ethics Commission by email at nicole.enriquez@lacity.org.

As part of the appointment process, Heather Hutt, your Councilmember, and Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky, the Chair of the Energy and Environment Committee, may wish to meet with you to answer any questions they have. Our office will assist with arranging these meetings.

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Additionally, you will be required to attend public meetings at City Hall where your appointment will be considered. You will be hearing from our office and a City Council Clerk who will let you know when your appointment will be considered by the Energy and Environment Committee. Sometime thereafter, you will be notified of the date when your appointment will be presented to the full City Council. Before you may begin serving, you will be required to take the Oath of Office in the City Clerk's Office located in Room 395 of City Hall. If you require parking for these meetings, please contact my Commissions team by email at myr-commissions@lacity.org.

Per the City Charter, most commissioners must be registered voters of the City of Los Angeles, and must therefore reside within Los Angeles. If you move at any point during your term, or your contact information changes, please contact my Commissions team immediately at the email address listed below. While we hope that you complete a successful term, if for some reason you intend to resign, please do so in writing to my Commissions team at myr-commissions@lacity.org.

Congratulations, and thank you for agreeing to serve the people of Los Angeles.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Bass". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Karen" and the last name "Bass" clearly distinguishable.

KAREN BASS
Mayor

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Attachment I
Ms. Wilma Pinder
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Nominee Check List

I. Within 7 days:

- ☐ Email the below completed documents, found on the last three pages of this letter, to: myr-commissions@lacity.org OR mail them to:

Office of the Mayor
Attn: Thomas Arechiga
200 N. Spring Street, Room 303
Los Angeles, CA 90012

- Remuneration Form
- Undated Separation Letters (2)

- ☐ Schedule an appointment to get fingerprinted to complete a background check. The Commissions team will assist in connecting you with the Personnel Background Unit.

II. Before your appointment is heard in committee or full council (you will be contacted by the Clerk's Office with this date):

- ☐ File the following forms with the City Ethics Commission. If you are required to file, you will receive these forms via email from that office. Be sure to take no more than 21 days to file, per City law.

- Statement of Economic Interest ("Form 700")
IMPORTANT: The City Council will not consider your nomination until your completed form is reviewed by the Ethics Commission.
- CEC Form 60

III. The Mayor's Office will notify the below Councilmembers of your nomination, so that they may reach out to schedule a meeting with you should they wish.

- ☐ Your City Councilmember Heather Hutt
- ☐ Councilmember Katy Yaroslavsky, Chair of the Council Committee considering your nomination

IV. Public Meetings at City Hall:

- ☐ Energy and Environment Committee Hearing
- ☐ Full Council Hearing