



KAREN BASS
MAYOR

June 5, 2023

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

Honorable Members:

Subject to your confirmation, I have appointed Ms. Courtney La Bau to the Board of Airport Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2024.

I certify that in my opinion Ms. La Bau 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. La Bau will fill the vacancy created by the departure of Gabriel Eshaghian.

Sincerely,

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

KAREN BASS
Mayor

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Attachment

COMMISSION APPOINTMENT FORM

Name: Courtney La Bau
Commission: Board of Airport Commissioners
End of Term: 6/30/2024

Appointee Information

1. **Race:** Caucasian
2. **Gender:** Female
3. **Council District and neighborhood of residence:** 11 - West LA
4. **Are you a registered voter in the City of Los Angeles?** Yes
5. **Prior commission experience:**
6. **Highest level of education completed:**
7. **Occupation/profession:** CEO & Founder, CLB Global Strategies
8. **Experience(s) that qualifies person for appointment:** See attached resume/bio
9. **Purpose of this appointment:** Appointment
10. **Current composition of the commission (excluding appointee):**

Commissioner	APC	CD	Race	Gender	Term End
VACANT					6/30/2024
Hsu, Beatrice C.	Central	4	API	F	6/30/2026
Roxborough, Nicholas	South Valley	3	Caucasian	M	6/30/2025
Velasco, Valeria C.	West LA	11	Latinx	F	6/30/2027
Webb, Karim	West LA	11	African American	M	6/30/2024
Johnson, Matthew "Matt"	Central	5	African American	M	6/30/2025
Aramayo, Vanessa	East LA	14	Latinx	F	6/30/2028

Courtney La Bau



Courtney has over 20 years of experience in the international political and business arenas. She is a strategic advisor, published author, and speaker on national security, counter-extremism, culture and business around the world, specializing in strategic partnerships and building cross cultural bridges. She is one of LA's 40 under 40 (2017), and has been featured on CNN, ABC, Al Jazeera, Euro News, The Hill, and Sky News Arabia. Most recently, she had a one hour special on CNN with Lisa Ling, highlighting the changing face of terrorism.

Courtney is currently an appointed Commissioner for the City of Los Angeles, serving a five year term on the Los Angeles City Ethics Commission.

Courtney is the CEO & Founder of CLB Global Strategies, a consulting firm focusing on the intersection of national security and business around the world. Over decades, Courtney has worked in these senior roles on behalf of the federal government, think tanks, law enforcement agencies, and the private sector. During this time, she created and led numerous initiatives to build civil society, community resilience, and counter all forms of extremist narratives. She has a proven level of success through her authentic approach to understanding people, having won multiple awards and honors from various communities, government entities, and elected officials. She has travelled the world

interviewing currently incarcerated and former extremists, and has a demonstrated passion and commitment to breaking down silos and enhancing equity in our communities. Currently, she is an Instructor with the Safe Communities Institute at the University of Southern California.

Prior to that, she served as the Chief Global Strategy Officer for Neocova. She was responsible for the overall strategy of the organization's international work - assessing and creating strategy for regions around the world based on the political, economic, and business environments of each new market. She also oversaw the DC public affairs efforts and political connectivity for the company.

Courtney is the former Vice Chair of Emerge California, and has worked on numerous political campaigns at the local level as well as at the presidential level, having advised candidates on extremism and terrorism issues. She is a Political Partner for the Truman National Security Project, and co-head of the Homeland Security & Community Resilience Group.

Previously, Courtney has worked and lived in Cairo, Egypt. Courtney started her career as a Global Investor for JPMorgan Securities, spending six years at the firm.

She has lived and worked in over 65 countries, has a deep knowledge of cultures around the world, and speaks fluent Spanish and conversational Arabic.



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June 5, 2023

Dear Ms. La Bau:

I am pleased to inform you that I hereby appoint you to the Board of Airport Commissioners for the term ending June 30, 2024, 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, Traci Park, your Councilmember, and Councilmember Traci Park, the Chair of the Trade, Travel, and Tourism 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 Trade, Travel, and Tourism 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 written in a cursive, flowing style.

KAREN BASS
Mayor

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Attachment I
Ms. Courtney La Bau
June 5, 2023

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: Commissions Team
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. Within 21 days:

- 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.

- 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 Traci Park
- Councilmember Traci Park, Chair of the Council Committee considering your nomination

IV. Public Meetings at City Hall:

- Trade, Travel, and Tourism Committee Hearing
- Full Council Hearing