

July 15, 2022

Holly Wolcott
City Clerk
City of Los Angeles
200 N. Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Re: Ethics Commission Appointment

Dear Ms. Wolcott:

Pursuant to Charter Section 700 (b) I hereby appoint Courtney La Bau to the City Ethics Commission. A copy of her resume is attached.

Sincerely,



Nury Martinez
President, Los Angeles City Council

Cc: Eric Garcetti, Mayor
Members of the City Council
Sharon Tso, Chief Legislative Analyst
David Tristan, Executive Director, Ethics Commission



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.

With a diverse, multicultural and multidisciplinary background, Courtney's worldview is centered on showing the world that despite our differences, we are much more alike than we are far apart.

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 traveled 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.

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.