

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 07/26/2022 12:06 PM

**Council File No:** 22-1200-S43

**Comments for Public Posting:** We realize that yesterday was a lot to take in, so we're going to keep today short. Aristos Strategies received \$70k in PPP loans that were forgiven. That's \$70k in free taxpayer money. We're not against PPP loans, but lobbying firms were not eligible. Also interesting is that this \$70k went towards retaining 3 jobs, but none of the Form 34s filed with LA City Ethics since 2017 show any employee related expenses - lobbying or otherwise. Jen started as Managing Partner at Aristos in June 2017 according to linkedin (side note, the Aristos paperwork quality took a real nose dive when Jen started, coincidence?). So was Gustavo lying on his Form 34s or was he lying on his PPP paperwork? It seems hard to believe that Aristos hasn't paid anything out to President Gustavo and Managing Partner Jennifer since 2017. Yet when Jennifer filed her Form 700 and Form 60 for this commission appointment she claimed she had nothing to report. Sources tell us she lives in Gustavo's house, which is paid for with money made lobbying. This just keeps getting messier and messier the deeper we look. We got a very interesting tip about another charter school scandal involving Gustavo this morning, keep them coming in, lancwatch2 at yahoo dot com.

Data Central (/) / Paycheck Protection Program Loans (/paycheck-protection-program-loans)

### Coronavirus (COVID-19)

## Who in California got Paycheck Protection Program loans during the pandemic?

The Small Business Administration has released a list of businesses that have received emergency pandemic loans. Use our searchable database to see who in California received funds.

### Search Paycheck Protection Program Loans

California



aristos strategies

Find loans

Showing **2 of 2** results for **'aristos strategies'**

Business	Current Approval Amount (Undisburse Amount)	Forgiveness Amount	Jobs Retained	Business Type	Lender	Date Approved
<b>ARISTOS STRATEGIES LLC</b> (/paycheck-protection-program-loans/california/aristos-strategies-llc/6138918308/?page=1&searchtext=aristos strategies&state=California) <b>3564 Smilax St, Los Angeles</b>	35,000.00 (0.00)	35,202.33 (Aug. 26, 2021)	3	Public Relations Agencies (Limited Liability Company(LLC))	Bank of America, National Association	Jan. 26, 2021
<b>ARISTOS STRATEGIES, LLC</b> (/paycheck-protection-program-loans/california/aristos-strategies-llc/6406547708/?page=1&searchtext=aristos strategies&state=California) <b>3564 SMILAX ST, Los Angeles</b>	35,000.00 (0.00)	35,286.71 (Feb. 25, 2021)	3	All Other Personal Services (Limited Liability Company(LLC))	Bank of America, National Association	May 1, 2020

July 18, 2022

The Honorable City Council  
c/o Holly Wolcott, City Clerk  
200 North Spring Street  
City Hall – 3rd Floor  
Los Angeles CA 90012

**Re: Council File Number 22-1200-S43  
Appointment of Jennifer Valdivia to the  
Board of Neighborhood Commissioners**

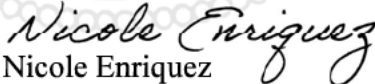
***FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION***

Dear Councilmembers:

Jennifer Valdivia was appointed by the Mayor to the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners on July 1, 2022. The Ethics Commission received notice of the appointment from the Mayor's Office on July 11, 2022. The Ethics Commission notified Ms. Valdivia on July 12, 2022 of their filing requirement and received Ms. Valdivia's pre-confirmation financial disclosure statement on July 14, 2022. In compliance with Los Angeles Municipal Code § 49.5.10, a copy of Ms. Valdivia's financial disclosure statement is enclosed.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me at (213) 978-1960.

Sincerely,

  
Nicole Enriquez  
Ethics Program Analyst

*Enclosures:*  
*Form 700*  
*Form 60*

**STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS**  
**COVER PAGE**  
*A PUBLIC DOCUMENT*

Date Initial Filing Received  
Filing Official Use Only

Filed Date: 07/14/2022 10:00 PM  
SAN: 011300006-STH-0006

Please type or print in ink.

NAME OF FILER (LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)  
Valdivia Jennifer

**1. Office, Agency, or Court**

Agency Name (Do not use acronyms)

Neighborhood Empowerment, Department of

Division, Board, Department, District, if applicable

Your Position

Commissioner

► If filing for multiple positions, list below or on an attachment. (Do not use acronyms)

Agency: Position:

**2. Jurisdiction of Office (Check at least one box)**

☐ State

☐ Judge, Retired Judge, Pro Tem Judge, or Court Commissioner  
(Statewide Jurisdiction)

☐ Multi-County

☐ County of

☒ City of Los Angeles

☐ Other

**3. Type of Statement (Check at least one box)**

☐ **Annual:** The period covered is January 1, 2021, through  
December 31, 2021.

☐ **Leaving Office:** Date Left \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
(Check one circle.)

-or-

The period covered is \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_, through  
December 31, 2021.

☐ The period covered is January 1, 2021, through the date of  
leaving office.

-or-

☐ **Assuming Office:** Date assumed \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

☐ The period covered is \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_, through  
the date of leaving office.

☒ **Candidate:** Date of Election 07/01/2022 and office sought, if different than Part 1:

**4. Schedule Summary (must complete) ► Total number of pages including this cover page: 1**

**Schedules attached**

☐ **Schedule A-1 - Investments** – schedule attached

☐ **Schedule C - Income, Loans, & Business Positions** – schedule attached

☐ **Schedule A-2 - Investments** – schedule attached

☐ **Schedule D - Income – Gifts** – schedule attached

☐ **Schedule B - Real Property** – schedule attached

☐ **Schedule E - Income – Gifts – Travel Payments** – schedule attached

-or- ☒ **None** - No reportable interests on any schedule

**5. Verification**

MAILING ADDRESS STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE  
(Business or Agency Address Recommended - Public Document)

DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER EMAIL ADDRESS

I have used all reasonable diligence in preparing this statement. I have reviewed this statement and to the best of my knowledge the information contained herein and in any attached schedules is true and complete. I acknowledge this is a public document.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date Signed 07/14/2022 10:00 PM  
(month, day, year)

Signature  
(File the originally signed paper statement with your filing official.)



Ethics Commission  
200 N Spring Street  
City Hall — 24th Floor  
Los Angeles, CA 90012  
(213) 978-1960  
ethics.lacity.org

## Restricted Source Financial Disclosure Statement Form 60

*Elected City officials, general managers and chief administrative officers of City agencies, members of City boards and commissions, and individuals nominated to positions subject to City Council approval must file this form in conjunction with the state Form 700. Please refer to the attached instructions for additional information.*

☒ **Original Filing**    ☐ **Amended Filing** (original filed on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/20\_\_\_\_)

Total Pages: 1

**Name:** Valdivia, Jennifer  
(Last, First, Middle)

**Agency:** Neighborhood Empowerment, Department of

**Position:** Commissioner

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Statement:**    ☒ **Pre-confirmation**    Date of nomination: 07 / 01 / 2022  
                                  ☐ **Assuming Office**    First day in position: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / 20\_\_\_\_  
                                  ☐ **Annual**    \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / 20\_\_\_\_ through December 31, 20\_\_\_\_  
                                  ☐ **Leaving Office**    Last day in office: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / 20\_\_\_\_

**I had the following interests associated with restricted sources during this reporting period:**

- ☐ **1. REAL PROPERTY — section attached.**  
Interests in real property leased from or to, co-owned by, purchased from, or sold to a restricted source.
- ☐ **2. INVESTMENTS — section attached.**  
Investments (other than real property) co-owned by, purchased from, or sold to a restricted source.
- ☐ **3. INCOME — section attached.**  
Income received from a restricted source.
- ☐ **4. GIFTS — section attached.**  
Gifts, cumulatively valued at \$50 or more, received from a restricted source.
- ☐ **5. BOARD POSITIONS — section attached.**  
Positions held on the board of a restricted source.

- Or -

- ☒ **6. NO INTERESTS**  
I had no interests in real property, investments, income, gifts, or board positions associated with restricted sources during this reporting period.

### Certification

*I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the City of Los Angeles and the state of California that I have read the instructions for this form and the information I have provided is true and complete.*

07/14/2022 10:02 PM

Date

Signature