

Application to Serve on the County of San Diego Independent Redistricting Commission

This is your application to serve as a Commissioner on the County of San Diego's 2020-2021 Independent Redistricting Commission.

Read the tips below to
make sure your
application is complete.

Bernadette Joyce

First Name

Winter-Villaluz

Last Name

Make sure you have all the pages.

There are nine (9) total pages that make up this application, including this page. The pages are numbered in the bottom right corners.

Initial the top right corner of pages 2-9 in the "Initial Here" box. This will make sure your application stays together.

Print clearly and legibly or type your application. Doing so will speed up processing time. Unclear handwriting may cause delays.

Don't know if you're eligible to serve on the County's Redistricting Commission? Among other requirements, you must be a registered voter in San Diego County to serve on the Commission. See page 3 for more details.

Questions? Learn more at www.sandiegocounty.gov/redistricting or redistricting@sdcounty.ca.gov.

This application must be received no later than Friday, July 31, 2020, at 5 p.m. See page 9 for submittal instructions.



Application Timeline

July 31, 2020	Applications must be received by the San Diego County Clerk of the Board of Supervisors no later than 5 p.m.
August 26, 2020	From the pool of qualified applicants, the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors will post the names of the 60 most qualified applicants. The names will be posted online for at least 30 days.
October 13, 2020	The Clerk of the Board of Supervisors will conduct a random drawing of the qualified applicants at the Board of Supervisors meeting to select eight Commissioners.
October 22 and November 5, 2020	The selected eight Commissioners will meet to choose the remaining six Commissioners from the remaining pool of qualified applicants.


Important Things to Know


- The questions in this application ensure you are eligible to serve on the Commission.
- Answer the questions to the best of your ability.



A. Tell us About Yourself

First Name: Bernadette Joyce Last Name: Winter-Villaluz

Address (where you are registered to vote)

Street Address: 

City: 

State:  Zip Code: 


Mailing Address (if different than the address listed above)

Street Address:


City:

State: Zip Code:

Contact Information

Phone 1:  Type: Mobile

Phone 2: Type:

E-mail: 

B. How This Application Will Be Used

- I understand the contents of this application may be made available to the public. ☒ **Yes, I understand**
- I understand that while this application is a public document, my personal e-mail address, street address, and phone number(s) will be kept confidential to the extent authorized by law. ☒ **Yes, I understand**

C. Questions to Determine Eligibility

Government Code section 21550 sets forth certain qualifications to serve on this Commission. Please check the appropriate box for each question. Applicants may be asked to verify and update information at various points in the process.

1. Are you a resident of the County of San Diego? ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No**
2. Which supervisorial district do you live in? ☐ **1**
If you're not sure, visit www.sandiegocounty.gov, click on "Find My District" under the Board of Supervisors, and enter your address in the top right of the web page. ☐ **2**
☐ **3**
☒ **4**
☐ **5**
3. Which political party are you currently registered?
☒ **Democratic** ☐ **Republican** ☐ **American Independent** ☐ **Green** ☐ **Libertarian**
☐ **Peace and Freedom** ☐ **Other:** _____
☐ **I am not registered with a political party (non-partisan)**
4. Have you been continuously registered to vote in the County of San Diego with the same political party preference or with no political party preference and have not changed your political party preference for at least five years? ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No**
If you're not sure, you can check your voter registration at www.sdvote.com.
5. Have you voted in at least one of the last three statewide elections immediately preceding your application to be a member of the Commission? ☒ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Explanatory Notes: If necessary, you may further explain answers to the questions above.

6. Within the 10 years immediately preceding the date of this application to the Commission, have either you, or an immediate family member, done any of the following? For purposes of these questions, immediate family members means a spouse, child, in-law, parent, or sibling.

You are not eligible to serve on the Commission if you answer "Yes" to any of the following:

- a. Been appointed to, elected to, or have been a candidate for office at the local, state, or federal level representing the County of San Diego, including as a member of the Board of Supervisors. ☐ Yes ☒ No
- b. Served as an employee of, or paid consultant for, an elected representative at the local, state, or federal level representing the County of San Diego. ☐ Yes ☒ No
- c. Served as an employee of, or paid consultant for, a candidate for office at the local, state, or federal level representing the County of San Diego. ☐ Yes ☒ No
- d. Served as an officer, employee, or paid consultant of a political party or as an appointed member of a political party central committee. ☐ Yes ☒ No
- e. Been a registered federal, state, or local lobbyist ☐ Yes ☒ No

Explanatory Notes: If necessary, you may further explain answers to the questions above.

D. Experience Qualifications

State law requires candidates demonstrate experience in areas related to redistricting. Please provide responses to the following questions.

- 1. What experience do you possess that demonstrates analytical skills relevant to the redistricting process and voting rights, and demonstrates your ability to comprehend and apply the applicable state and federal legal requirements?**

I look forward to utilizing my analytical skills and my capacity to apply relevant policies in the San Diego County Independent Redistricting Commission. My professional experience includes various research projects, my past work at UCSD and Feeding America, my recent positions as a Director of Research and Adjunct Professor at Point Loma Nazarene University, and my current role as a Grant Writer for Father Joe's Villages. I have employed my analytical skills in research, which encompasses gathering and analyzing qualitative data, as well as data entry, data management, and analysis for quantitative research such as for the kNOw MORE Curriculum, which is an anti-trafficking initiative. As an Adjunct Professor, I used my analytical skills and interacted with policies by reviewing reports and articles to conduct analysis on a wide range of policies such as the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, the Earned Income Tax Credit, and the Affordable Care Act. I utilize similar skills in my current role as a Grant Writer, as I prepare persuasive, evidence-based applications that offer statistics and current trends in areas such as affordable housing and income inequality. Prior to my current and more recent positions, I regularly analyzed, interpreted, and applied policies and procedures as an Assistant Graduate Advisor at UCSD and as a CalFresh Summer Associate at Feeding America. It was through these positions that I began to understand the real impact of policies on the everyday lives of individuals and families.

You are encouraged to limit your response to one page, however if more space is needed, you may attach an additional page.

2. What experience do you possess that demonstrates an ability to be impartial?

As an Adjunct Professor, I consistently exercised impartiality. I valued impartiality in my classes because I wanted my students to be able to develop their own analysis and ideas apart from my own. I stressed the importance of making evidenced-based arguments and created grading rubrics that focused on my students' ability to carry out such evaluations, regardless of their views. I have also demonstrated an ability to be objective in my previous position as a CalFresh Summer Associate. I practiced neutrality as I pre-screened more than 600 households for CalFresh eligibility throughout the County of San Diego. Furthermore, I have exercised objectivity as a researcher, as I have a responsibility to accurately communicate findings, despite any initial hypothesis or leanings I may have had at the beginning of a project.

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3. What experience do you possess that demonstrates an appreciation for the diverse demographics and geography of the County of San Diego?

I enjoy the diverse demographics and geography of the County of San Diego and have specifically sought to work with diverse populations. My professional and volunteer experience includes working with first generation students, resettled refugees, immigrant communities, communities of color, food insecure communities, and low-income older adults with mental health challenges. I have gained this experience through my formal positions at UCSD, Feeding America, and Serving Seniors, as well as my volunteer experience in City Heights and my training through the National Alliance on Mental Health Illness and the San Diego County Resident Leadership Academy. Further, as a CalFresh Summer Associate for Feeding America, I traveled throughout the County of San Diego. This includes the Otay Mesa area in South Bay, North County, and unincorporated areas such as Potrero and Descanso. I have lived in San Diego County for about 27 years and I am a proud San Diegan.

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E. Demographic Information

Providing this information is optional. You may select “decline to state” for each answer. Elections Code section 21550(g)(2) requires six of the 14 appointees, in addition to meeting minimum requirements, be chosen in a way that ensures the Commission reflects the County’s diversity, including racial, ethnic, geographic, and gender diversity. However, formulas or specific ratios shall not be applied for this purpose.

1. Please describe your ethnic origin. Mark one or more boxes.

- ☐ BLACK/AFRICAN AMERICAN: All persons having origins in any of the original Black racial groups of Africa.
- ☐ HISPANIC/LATINO: All persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.
- ☒ ASIAN: All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam.
- ☐ NATIVE HAWAIIAN/OTHER PACIFIC ISLANDER: All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands.
- ☐ AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKA NATIVE: All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintain cultural affiliation or community recognition.
- ☐ WHITE (not of Hispanic Origin): All persons having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, North Africa, or the Middle East.
- ☐ Prefer to Self-Describe: _____
- ☐ Decline to state

2. What is your date of birth? _____ ☒ Decline to state

3. Select the gender you identify as:

- ☒ Female
- ☐ Male
- ☐ Non-binary
- ☐ Decline to state

F. Signature

By signing below, I declare under penalty of perjury that the answers provided in this application are true to the best of my knowledge.

First Name: **Bernadette Joyce**

Last Name: **Winter-Villaluz**

Signature:



Date: **7/31/2020**

G. Submittal

Completed applications must be received by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors no later than Friday, July 31, 2020 at 5 p.m. Double check your answers in the application; once submitted, applications cannot be amended. Remember that you must answer all questions on this application to be considered for the Commission. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Option 1: Mail or drop off the signed paper copy of your completed application to:

County of San Diego
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
Redistricting Commission
1600 Pacific Highway, Room 402
San Diego, CA 92101-2471
(619) 531-5434

Postmarks are not accepted. Applications must be received by the Clerk of the Board by the due date.

Option 2: E-mail your completed application.

Ensure the application is signed, then e-mail the application to:
redistricting@sdcounty.ca.gov.

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