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Contra Costa County Merit Board

Minutes of Meeting

August 11, 2020

Presiding Staff	Charles Kreling Stacey Durocher
Members Present	Eizo Kobayashi, Toni Warren, Dennis Reigle, James Mellander
Merit Board Counsel	Stephen Siptroth, Deputy County Counsel County Counsel's Office
Others Present	Catherine Beller, Deputy County Counsel County Counsel's Office Rachel Terp, Terp Law Sohir Sumaya Algal, Appellant

Recording of Merit Board Meetings

The Merit Board meetings are recorded and the audio recordings will be retained for a period of approximately ten years.

- I. **Public Comment:** Persons who wish to address the Board during public comment, or with respect to an Item that is on the Agenda will be limited to two (2) minutes.
 - A. There were no public comments.

II. Approval of Consent Items

A. Minutes of July 28, 2020

Chair Kreling asked members of the Merit Board if they had any changes or modifications to the minutes of July 28, 2020. There being none, Member Kobayashi moved, and Member Mellander seconded, and the Merit Board approved the July 28, 2020 minutes as presented by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Kobayashi, Warren, Mellander, Reigle, Kreling
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

III. Old Business

A. None.

IV. New Business

A. Consider the appeal of Sohir Sumaya Albgal, Fixed Term Public Defender, Public Defenders Office from rejection on probation

Chair Kreling acknowledged the request to consider the appeal of Sohir Sumaya Albgal, Fixed Term Public Defender, Public Defenders Office from rejection on probation and correspondence from Catherine Beller, Deputy County Counsel, County Counsel's office representing the appointing authority stating they do not oppose sending this matter to an Administrative Law Judge.

After some discussion, Member Mellander moved, and Member Warren seconded to refer the appeal of Sohir Sumaya Albgal, Fixed Term Public Defender, Public Defenders office from rejection on probation to an Administrative Law Judge.

Ayes: Kobayashi, Warren, Mellander, Reigle, Kreling
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

There being no further business to consider, Chair Kreling adjourned the meeting at 6:24 PM.

DATED: 8/11/2020

APPROVED: /s/ Dacey Durocher