



VINCENT C. GRAY
MAYOR

October 23, 2014

The Honorable Phil Mendelson Chairman Council of the District of Columbia 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Suite 504 Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 201 of the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985, effective March 25, 1986 (D.C. Law 6-99; D.C. Official Code § 3-1202.01) (2014 Supp.), which established the Board of Dentistry ("Board"), and in accordance with section 2(f)(4) of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D. C. Official Code § 1-523.01(f)(4) (2014 Supp.)), I am pleased to nominate the following individual for appointment:

Ms. Dianne J. Smith 2129 Florida Avenue, N.W., # 603 Washington, D.C. 20008 (Ward 2)

as a consumer member of the Board, replacing Annie Ponds, for a term to end November 30, 2015.

Enclosed you will find all biographical information detailing the experience of the above-mentioned nominee, along with a proposed resolution for the nominee to assist the Council during the confirmation process.

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of the nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or John J. Cheek, Director, Office of Boards and Commissions, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely,

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Chairman Phil Mendelson at the request of the Mayor

#### A PROPOSED RESOLUTION

### IN THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Chairman Phil Mendelson	, at the request of the Mayor,	introduced the	e following resolution
which was referred	to the Committee on		

To confirm the appointment of Ms. Dianne J. Smith to the Board of Dentistry.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this resolution may be cited as the "Board of Dentistry Dianne J. Smith Confirmation Resolution of 2014".

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the appointment of:

Ms. Dianne J. Smith 2129 Florida Avenue, N.W., # 603 Washington, D.C. 20008 (Ward 2)

as a consumer member of the District of Columbia Board of Dentistry, pursuant to section 201 of the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985, effective March 25, 1986 (D.C. Law 6-99; D.C. Official Code § 3-1202.01), and in accordance with section 2(f)(4) of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01(f)(4)), replacing Annie Ponds, for a term to end November 30, 2015.

- Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution, upon its adoption, each to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.
  - Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

# Dianne J. Smith

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

**Howard Hughes Medical Institute**, December 1998 to March 2013 Chevy Chase, MD

Associate General Counsel

### Responsibilities included:

- · Contract review and negotiation
  - for contracts relating to organization's scientific research, e.g., material transfers, collaborations, confidentiality, consulting, licensing.
  - o for organization operating contracts, e.g., corporate services and software.
- Litigation advice and management
  - for litigation and claims made against HHMI, including claims made by employees and investigations or charges by regulatory agencies.
  - o for litigation and claims made by HHMI against other parties.
  - for miscellaneous litigation-related matters, including responses to subpoenas, preservation of physical and electronic records for litigation purposes, and attorney-client privilege issues.
- General legal advice and management in substantive areas
  - matters related to HHMI's Human Resources department, including
    - proposed changes to and questions arising under all Human Resources policies.
    - all employee relations matters.
    - immigration issues; questions arising under the Fair Labor Standards Act; and review of external requests for wage garnishments.
  - legal issues related to the conduct of medical research in some 80 HHMI laboratories nationwide,
  - questions relating to the use of human stem cells in HHMI research, including review of HHMI-wide agreements relating to the receipt or dissemination of

stem cells or cell lines resulting from stem cell research.

 Management of outside counsel providing services related to the areas of my responsibilities

# Office of the Independent Counsel in re Samuel R. Pierce, Jr.

Washington, D.C.

Deputy Independent Counsel, July 1995 to December 1998 Associate Independent Counsel, April 1990 to June 1995

#### Responsibilities included:

- Investigating the administration of several Department of Housing and Urban Development funding programs in the 1980s.
- Presenting evidence of criminal violations to the grand jury.
- Prosecuting individuals indicted by the grand jury.
- Managing the staff and work of the Office as Deputy Independent Counsel.
- Closing the Office at the end of the investigation, including writing the final report
  of the investigation.

# Williams &Connolly, December 1983 to April 1990

Washington, DC

Associate Attorney, practicing in civil and criminal litigation

# United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, August 1982-August 1983

Washington, DC

Law Clerk to the Honorable Patricia M. Wald

#### **EDUCATION**

University of Wisconsin Law School, J.D., magna cum laude, 1982 Madison, Wisconsin

Editor-in-chief, Wisconsin Law Review, 1981-1982; Staff Member, 1980-1981

Daniel B. Grady Award to the top-ranking student in the graduating class, 1982

College of William & Mary, M.A., 1970

University of Wisconsin-Madison, B.S., with honors, 1967

#### **BAR MEMBERSHIP**

Admitted to practice in the District of Columbia.

# GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Office of the Attorney General

**Legal Counsel Division** 



# **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

**Lolita Alston** 

**Director** 

Office of Legislative Support

FROM:

Janet M. Robins

Deputy Attorney General Legal Counsel Division

DATE:

October 2, 2014

SUBJECT:

Certification of Legal Sufficiency of Resolution Confirming Appointment of

Dianne J. Smith to the D.C. Board of Dentistry

(AE-12-407-L)

This is to Certify that this Office has reviewed the above-referenced proposed resolution and found it to be legally sufficient. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 724-5524.

Janet M. Robins