

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BOARD APPOINTMENT SUMMARY

Meeting Date: January 13, 2009

Department: Public Safety Department
Submitted by: Consumer Affairs Division
Advisory Board Name: Consumer Affairs Hearing Board

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff Recommends Motion to Approve: appointment or reappointment of five members to the countywide Consumer Affairs Hearing Board as follows:

Nominee	Term	Expires	Seat	Requirement	Recommended by
Alexander Domb	New	1/13/2011	1	Attorney	Comm. Jeff Koons
Pedro Guilarte	Reappoint	1/13/2011	2	Chamber of Comm.	Comm. Jeff Koons
Herbert Milstein	Reappoint	1/13/2011	9	Special Technical	Comm. Jeff Koons
Edwin Rubin*	New	12/31/2009	4	PBC Citizen	Comm. Jeff Koons
Daniel Pikula	New	1/13/2011	5	Bus. Management	Comm. Jeff Koons

*Edwin Rubin would replace Joseph Abruzzo who resigned from the board mid-term. That terms expires December 31, 2009

Summary: Palm Beach County Consumer Affairs Ordinance 72-10 established a Hearing Board. The nine (9) members of the Board are selected for countywide representation and serve two (2) year terms for a maximum of six (6) years. The Board serves in both an advisory capacity to the County Commissioners and as an Appeals Board to hear and act on consumer concerns about unfair/deceptive business practices and appeals relating to the towing, vehicle for hire, moving and price gouging ordinances. The Hearing Board represents various businesses, professionals and the general public. **NOTE:** With the appointment of these five seats, the Hearing Board will still have one vacancy for a certified contractor. Nominations are being sought from the Board of County Commissioners for this vacant position. With approval of this motion the Hearing Board will have 8 of 9 appointed/active members. Countywide (GB)

Background and Justification: The Board of County Commissioners created the Consumer Affairs Hearing Board in 1972. The Board carries out the requirements of the six ordinances administered by Consumer Affairs. The representation on the Consumer Affairs Board must include: a) an attorney; b) a business person (active or retired) recommended by a Chamber of Commerce; c) a resident (active or retired) with at least five years experience in the management of a business; d) three at-large residents interested in consumer issues; and e) two persons who have expertise in technical fields relating to consumer transactions.

Attachments:

1. Memorandum requesting nominations and background
2. Board appointment forms and background materials on the candidates
3. Current Consumer Affairs Hearing Board membership

Recommended by:

Vincent J. Bonvento (by Du) 12/31/2008
Department Director Date

Legal Sufficiency:

[Signature] 1/2/09
Assistant County Attorney Date

II. REVIEW COMMENTS

Other Department Review:

Department Director

This summary is not to be used as a basis for payment.



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Division of Consumer Affairs**

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MEMORANDUM

Date: October 1, 2008

To: Commissioner Jeff Koons
District 2

Thru: Vince Bonvento, Director
Public Safety Department

From: Dennis Moore, Director
Division of Consumer Affairs

RE: **Consumer Affairs Hearing Board Reappointments or
Appointments - COUNTY WIDE**
Response requested by November 21, 2008

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David Friedman - Attorney
Harold Murphy - Management/Business Owner

The following is a vacant position:

Vacant – Certified Contractor

Background/Duties

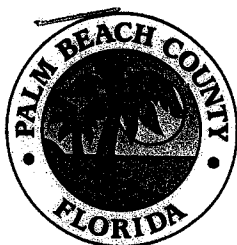
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- To carry out the functions pertaining to alleged unfair or deceptive trade acts or practices as provided for in Ordinance 77-10.

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MEMORANDUM

Date: October 1, 2008

To: Commissioner Karen T. Marcus
District 1

Thru: Vince Bonvento, Director
Public Safety Department

From: Dennis Moore, Director
Division of Consumer Affairs

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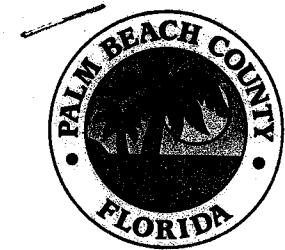
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District 5Thru: Vince Bonvento, Director
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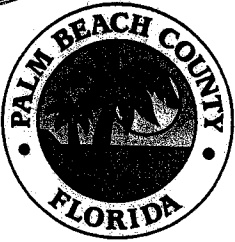
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To: Commissioner Jess R. Santamaria
 District 6

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From: Dennis Moore, Director
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RESUME OF
ALEXANDER L. DOMB

PRESENTLY : Shareholder in Alexander L. Domb, P.A., a law firm specializing in Estate Planning, including the preparation of Wills, Trusts, Durable Powers of Attorney, Health Care Surrogate Designations, and Living Wills, and Real Property, including single family and commercial real estate transactions, and the issuance of title insurance for over 22 years. Owner of Quality Closings, An Escrow & Title Company.

ADMISSIONS : Supreme Court of the United States of America; United States Court of Appeals, 11th Circuit; United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida.

MEMBERSHIPS : The Florida Bar; American Bar Association; Palm Beach County Bar Association.

TITLE

AFFILIATIONS : Policy Issuing Agent for First American Title Insurance Company; Attorney's Title Insurance Fund, Inc.

MISCELLANEOUS : Member, Village of Wellington Construction Appeals Board; Former Chairman, City of Hollywood Board of Appeals and Adjustments; Who's Who in American Law; Member, Real Property, Probate and Estate Planning Section of The Florida Bar; Member Real Property, Trust and Estate Law Section of the American Bar Association; Member, Probate/Guardianship Practice Committee of the Palm Beach County Bar Association.

EDUCATION

Juris Doctorate - Nova University Law Center

Bachelor of Business Administration - University of Miami

**PALM BEACH COUNTY
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BOARD APPOINTMENT INFORMATION FOR**

Part I:

Board Name: Consumer Affairs Hearing Board

At Large Appointment or District Appointment

Term of Appointment: ___ years. From _____ To _____

Seat Requirement: Palm Beach County Resident Seat

(Please describe education and/or experience that qualifies the nomination under the seat requirement).

**Reappointment or New Appointment

or to complete the term of
due to: resignation other
Completion of term to expire on:

Part II: APPLICANT, UNLESS EXEMPTED, MUST BE A COUNTY RESIDENT

Name: Pedro Guilarte

Occupation: _____

Business Name: _____

Business Address: _____

City & State: Zip Code: _____

Residence Address: _____

City & State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Fax No.: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Mailing Address preference: Business Address Residence Other or Other:

Minority Identification Code:

IF (American Indian Female)

AF (Asian Female)

BF (Black Female)

HF (Hispanic Female)

WF (White Female)

IM(American Indian Male)

AM(Asian Male)

BM (Black Male)

HM (Hispanic Male)

WM(White Male)

Part III: COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Appointment to be made at BCC Meeting on: _____

*When a person is being considered for re-appointment, the number and nature of previously disclosed voting conflicts shall be considered by the Board of County Commissioners.
____ Number of previously disclosed voting conflicts.

Signature

John F. Korte

Date:

10/10/08

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BOARD APPOINTMENT INFORMATION FOR**

Part I:Board Name: Consumer Affairs Hearing Board

[X] At Large Appointment or [] District Appointment

Term of Appointment: ___ years. From _____ To _____

Seat Requirement: Palm Beach County Resident Seat ___

(Please describe education and/or experience that qualifies the nomination under the seat requirement).

(X)**Reappointment or () New Appointment

or () to complete the term of
due to: [] resignation [] other

Completion of term to expire on:

Part II: APPLICANT, UNLESS EXEMPTED, MUST BE A COUNTY RESIDENTName: Herbert Milstein

Occupation:

Business Name:

Business Address:

City & State: Zip Code:

Residence Address: _____

City & State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Business Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Fax No.: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Mailing Address preference: [] Business Address [X] Residence Other or [] Other:

Minority Identification Code:

[] IF (American Indian Female)

[] IM (American Indian Male)

[] AF (Asian Female)

[] AM (Asian Male)

[] BF (Black Female)

[X] BM (Black Male)

[] HF (Hispanic Female)

[] HM (Hispanic Male)

[] WF (White Female)

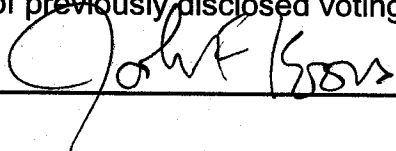
(X) WM (White Male)

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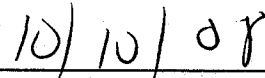
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Signature



Date:



PALM BEACH COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADVISORY BOARD NOMINEE INFORMATION FORM

Part I:

Board Name: CONSUMER AFFAIRS HEARING BOARD

At Large Appointment or District Appointment

Term of Appointment: 2 Years. From: 01/13/2009 To: 01/13/2011

Seat Requirement: Citizen Resident of PBC Seat #: 5

*Reappointment or New Appointment

or to complete the term of _____ Due resignation other to: _____
Completion of term to expire on: January 13, 2011

Part II: APPLICANT, UNLESS EXEMPTED, MUST BE A COUNTY RESIDENT

Name: RUBIN EDWIN
Last First Middle

Occupation/Affiliation: Citizen/Resident of PBC

Business Name: _____

Business Address: _____

City & State _____ Zip Code: _____

Residence Address: 3950 Dafiilee Circle

City & State West Palm Beach, FL Zip Code: 33417

Home Phone: (561) 471-5048 Business Phone: () Ext. _____

Cell Phone: () Fax: ()

Email Address: _____

Mailing Address preference: Business Address Residence

Minority Identification Code:

- IF (Native-American Female)
- AF (Asian-American Female)
- BF (African-American Female)
- HF (Hispanic-American Female)
- WF (Caucasian Female)
- IM (Native-American Indian Male)
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Part III: COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

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Number of previously disclosed voting conflicts during the previous term _____

Signature: [Signature] Date: _____

BIOGRAPHY

EDWIN RUBIN
3950 DafiLee Circle
West Palm Beach, FL 33417

Thirty Years prior to my retirement, I worked for and was associated with many moving and storage companies, agencies of major van lines. Ten years, I operated my own corporation as a Consultant.

A brief summary of my work experience has been as an internal auditor, analyst, Corporate Controller, employee trainer in devising systems and procedures reorganizing storage warehouses.

My last venture included semi prior to permanent retirement has been with Arnoff Moving & Storage with a main office in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. The Arnoff organization is one of the largest North American Van Lines Agencies. Within my own structure, I was also Corporate Consultant for Arnoff Moving and Storage.

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ADVISORY BOARD NOMINEE INFORMATION FORM**

Part I:

Board Name: CONSUMER AFFAIRS HEARING BOARD

At Large Appointment or District Appointment

Term of Appointment: 2 Years. From: 01/13/2009 To: 01/13/2011

Seat Requirement: Business Management Seat #: 5

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or to complete the term of January 13, 2011 Due resignation other to: _____

Part II: APPLICANT, UNLESS EXEMPTED, MUST BE A COUNTY RESIDENT

Name: PIKULA DANIEL
Last First Middle

Occupation/Affiliation: Business Management

Business Name: Florida Investment Exchange

Business Address: _____

City & State: West Palm Beach, FL Zip Code: 33401

Residence Address: 3172 Hartridge Terrace

City & State: West Palm Beach, FL Zip Code: 33414

Home Phone: (561) 310-4980 Business Phone: () Ext. _____

Cell Phone: () Fax: ()

Email Address: dpikula@genesispartners.org

Mailing Address preference: Business Address Residence

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 - BF (African-American Female)
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Signature: John F. Brown Date: 12/18/08

DANIEL S. PIKULA

3172 Hartridge Terrace
Wellington, FL 33414

561-310-4980
DPikula@Genesispartners.org

PROFILE:

Business development advisor, with 20 years of multi-disciplinary experience inclusive of but not limited to sales, management, recruitment, finance, investment, within the financial services & mortgage industry. Proven track record of exceptional sales achievement, developing client /partner relationships, and enhancing small to mid-size companies in startup/turnaround situations, and coordinating business initiatives. Extensive sales experience, building one on one client relationships, and leading business initiatives. More than 15 years experience within the securities and mortgage industry, holding administrative, sales, and management positions, producing continuous multi-million dollar revenue results.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

FLORIDA INVESTMENT EXCHANGE, West Palm Beach, FL

2003-present

President/Developer

Developed, negotiated, and closed, residential and commercial loans from \$1M - \$50M, in the housing markets, From start to finish, as well as, developments and openings in hardship destinations and new markets, also specialized In re-branding developments and existing properties that are not delivering their full potential.

- Directed and prepared commercial and residential transactions of all types (Land acquisitions & dispositions, Conventional & Mezzanine financing).
- Negotiated a diverse group of transactions, in various capacities, from lender representations in large, complex loan closings, and procuring A & D/Construction loans; \$1M - \$50M.
- Structured Real Estate Development
- Sales Management
- Develop, implement and administer policies, procedures and processes.
- Implement and monitor related budgets.
- Establish partnership/strategic alliances, and client relationships.
- Evaluate performance, and employee/employer relations.
- Operations management

NEWBRIDGE FINANCIAL SERVICES GROUP, West Palm Beach, FL

1997-2005

Assistant Branch Manager/Institutional Sales

Increased the institutional division's revenues from \$8M - \$46M.

- Developed/Implemented an 'Institutional trading Platform' for the Newbridge Securities Division.
- Increased branch production by - \$2million net annually.
- Developed and monitored financial planning methods.
- Originated Institutional clients, **Bank of America and Archipelago.**
- Spear headed and created a 'Nanotech Index fund' for Newbridge Securities.
- Additionally, managed a sales team of 30 financial planning representatives.

FIRST ALBANY CORPORATION (10TH Largest Municipal Bond Firm in the Nation), Chicago, IL 1996-1997
Investment Banker

Jr. Partner to the 'Hugh Johnson Economist Team' as seen on CNBC -managing a retail client base of over 2000.

- Conceptualized and developed a strategic 'Financial Planning Team' approach.
- Developed a business referral network within the upper echelon of the Polish community. (fluent in the Polish language).
- Received 'Top Producer Award' by Chicago Magazine.

MESIROW FINANCIAL (3RD largest preferred Stock Trading Desk in the Midwest), Chicago, IL 1995-1996

Investment Broker

- Implemented a formal NYSE financial planning course coinciding w/the Broyles sales training program.
- Recruited top producer, forming joint venture; (*partnership grossed \$1.2million in annual commissions*).
- Successfully managed over 200 retail clients.

HJ MEYERS & CO., Chicago, IL

Retail Stockbroker

1994-1995

- Emphasis on acquisition of new accounts
- Daily activities included prospecting, qualifying, and selling.
- Acquired 280 accounts within first year of employment.
- *Achieved Top Rookie Status.

LIBERTY MORTGAGE CORPORATION, West Palm Beach, FL

Co-Owner; Managed Independent Branch

1989-1994

Managed all facets of the lending process from origination, creating and utilizing, marketing materials, loan origination, package assembly, credit write ups to closing of loans.

- Managed a sales force of 12 originators.
- Monitored department/company revenue and expenses.
- Originated, on average, 8 loans a month.

GOLAN'S MOVING & STORAGE, Chicago, IL

Sales Manager

1987-1989

- Managerial duties included; Overseeing 30 sales representatives, confirming payment arrangements, explain and monitor various insurance coverage's/policies, schedules, and all steps involved during the actual move of clients' belongings.

EDUCATION, PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATIONS & AFFILIATIONS:

- Series 7, Licensed Broker.
- Series 63, Blue Sky License in fifty states.
- Insurance licensed Health, Long-term care, and Disability.
- Fixed & Variable Annuities licensed.
- Mortgage Broker Certified.
- Vice-Chairman, Palm Beach Consumer Affairs Hearing Board.
- Participating member, Boys & Girls Club.
- Director, BIZLINK Networking group.
- Dale Carnegie Leaders Course
- Broyles Sales Management Program
- Donald Trump Entrepreneurial Course
- DePaul University, Chicago, IL

Attachment 3

Information on Candidates Available for Reappointment
Palm Beach County
Consumer Affairs Hearing Board

Category	Requirements	Incumbent	Eligible for Re-appointment	First Appointed/ Current Term	Term Exp.	Comments/Address/Contact
Attorney	Licensed to practice in Florida and a member of the Palm Beach County Bar Association	David Friedman	NO	2/25/2003 3	12/31/2008	Attorney, Weiss & Handler
Citizen/ Resident	Citizen/resident interested in consumer affairs, business person or retired business person with at least 5 years of experience operating/managing a business	Harold Murphy	NO	4/2/2002 3	12/31/2008	Tow Truck Operator Sister's Towing Company
Citizen/ Resident	Citizen/resident interested in consumer affairs, business person or retired business person with at least 5 years of experience operating/managing a business	Ted Cott	YES	2/5/2008 3	12/31/2009	Consultant

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Citizen/ Resident	Citizen/resident interested in consumer affairs, business person or retired business person with at least 5 years of experience operating/managing a business	Philip Shapkin	YES	2/07/2006 2	12/31/2009	
Special Technical	Expertise or knowledge in technical fields relating to consumer transactions (i.e., plumbing, air conditioning, electrical, or similar industry)	Arthur Newberry	YES	3/13/2004 3	12/31/2009	Business consultant
Recommended By the Chamber of Commerce	Business/Management Consultant	Pedro Guilarte	YES	4/10/2007 1	12/31/2008	

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Citizen/Resident	Citizen/resident interested in consumer affairs, business person or retired business person with at least 5 years of experience operating/managing a business	Vacant			12/31/2009	
Certified Contractor	Certified general, building or residential contractor, who does reside and does business in Palm Beach County. Must be knowledgeable of home building	Vacant			12/31/2009	
Special Technical	Expertise or knowledge in technical fields relating to consumer transactions (i.e., plumbing, air conditioning, electrical, or similar industry)	Herbert Milstein	YES	4/10/2007 1	12/31/2008	