

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BOARD APPOINTMENT SUMMARY

Meeting Date: October 20, 2026

Department: Public Safety Department

Advisory Board: Criminal Justice Commission (CJC)

I. EXECUTIVE BRIEF

Motion and Title: Staff recommend motion to approve:

A) appointment of one (1) new member to the Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) of Palm Beach County (PBC) to fill an unexpired term from October 20, 2026, to December 31, 2026, followed by a three (3) year term from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2029; and

<u>Seat No.</u>	<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Seat Requirement/Nominated By</u>
34	Mark Dorestin	Youth (17-22) Criminal Justice Commission
B) appointment of two (2) new members to the CJC of PBC in seats designated with no term, effective October 20, 2026. These seats are held by positional designees who serve for the duration of their appointment in the qualifying position:		

<u>Seat No.</u>	<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Seat Requirement/Nominated By</u>	<u>Term</u>
16	Sean Brammer	Representative of Palm Beach County Association of Chiefs of Police	No Term
17	Adam McMichael	Managing Assistant U.S. Attorney, West Palm Beach	No Term

Summary: The Board of County Commissioners (BCC) adopted an Ordinance in August of 1988 establishing the CJC, as codified in the PBC Code Chapter 2, Article V, Division 5. The mission of the CJC is to study all aspects of the criminal justice and crime prevention systems within the federal, state, county, municipal, and private agencies within the County. The CJC is comprised of 35 members: 18 public sector members representing local, state, and federal criminal justice and governmental agencies; and 17 private sector members representing the Economic Council, Clergy, the Black and Hispanic Chambers of Commerce, youth (17-22 years), returning citizen, crime survivor, and a community member. Private sector membership shall be appointed for a three (3)-year term, with said term commencing on January 1st, or the BCC approval date, for the first year of appointment, and expiring on December 31st of the third year. On August 24, 2026, the CJC approved adding one (1) student representative recommended by the CJC to complete the unexpired term of CJC member Shania Grant followed by a new three (3) year term. Public sector memberships carry no term designation and may be appointed to serve for the duration of tenure in the qualifying position. The CJC approved adding one (1) Representative of the Palm Beach County Association of Chiefs of Police and one (1) Managing Assistant U.S. Attorney, West Palm Beach to fill vacant public sector seats. The CJC currently has 32 seats filled. Countywide (JW)

Background and Justification: Continued on page 3

Attachments:

1. Board/Committee Application and Resume
2. PBC Code, Sections 2-216–2-221 (CJC)
3. CJC membership list

Recommended by: Sejioke Date 9/22/26
Department Director

Legal Sufficiency: Sean-Adel Williams Date 9/23/26
Assistant County Attorney

II. REVIEW COMMENTS

A. Other Department Review:

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Department Director

Background and Justification: The CJC makes recommendations to the BCC on policies and programs; provides overall coordination to law enforcement and crime prevention efforts; ensures through data research that the County operates an efficient, just, and cost-effective criminal justice system; and its work effects the reduction of crime on a permanent basis in the County. These efforts have been accomplished by establishing task forces and subcommittees, adopting bylaws, and research partnerships and other efforts to pursue the mission and objectives of the CJC. The CJC is the largest Advisory Board to the Board of County Commissioners (BCC) and was established August 16, 1988 by Ordinance No. 88-31.



BOARDS/COMMITTEES APPLICATION

PALM BEACH COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BOARDS/COMMITTEES APPLICATION
301 N Olive Avenue, WPB, FL 33401
www.discover.pbcgov.org

The information provided on this form will be used in considering your nomination.
(Answer "NONE" or "N/A" where appropriate.)

APPLICANT TO COMPLETE/SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING:
- SECTION II
- CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIPS
- CODE OF ETHICS TRAINING
- RESUME or BIOGRAPHY

SECTION I

(OFFICE USE ONLY)

BOARD/COMMITTEE NAME: CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT:

X

AT-LARGE

DISTRICT #

REAPPOINTMENT

X

NEW APPOINTMENT

TERM:

10/20/2026

START DATE

12/31/2026

END DATE

LENGTH OF TERM:

3

YEARS

SEAT #:

34

SEAT REQUIREMENT:

Youth (17-22) Student Representative

X

Advisory

Not Advisory

COMPLETING AN UNEXPIRED TERM?

IF YES:

DUE TO:

COMPLETING TERM FOR:

Shania Grant

ORIGINAL TERM EXPIRES:

12/31/2026

X

YES

NO

X

RESIGNATION

OTHER

*When a person is being considered for reappointment, the number of previous disclosed voting conflicts during the previous term shall be considered by the Board of County Commissioners: N/A

SECTION II (to be completed by applicant) *MUST BE A PALM BEACH COUNTY RESIDENT

NAME: (First/Middle Initial/Last) MARK EVAN DORESTIN

ADDRESS: 1405 8TH ST

CITY: WEST PALM BEACH STATE: FL ZIP: 33401

PHONE #: 5618899880

EMAIL: dorestinm06@gmail.com

BUSINESS/EMPLOYER NAME: LESSER, LANDY, SMITH & SIEGEL, PLLC

OCCUPATION: LAW CLERK INTERN

ADDRESS: 420 COLUMBIA DR # 110

CITY: WEST PALM BEACH STATE: FL ZIP: 33409

MAILING PREFERENCE: RESIDENCE BUSINESS

HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONVICTED OF A FELONY:

(conviction of a felony is not an automatic disqualifier from appointment)

IF YES - STATE THE COURT, NATURE OF OFFENSE, DISPOSITION OF CASE AND DATE:

YES X NO

SECTION II - continued (to be completed by applicant)

CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIPS: X NONE NOT APPLICABLE/(Governmental Entity)

Pursuant to Article XIII, Sec. 2-443 of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics, advisory board members are prohibited from entering into any contract or other transaction for goods or services with Palm Beach County. Exceptions to this prohibition include awards made under sealed competitive bids, certain emergency and sole source purchases, and transactions that do not exceed \$500 per year in aggregate. These exemptions are described in the Code. This prohibition does not apply when the advisory board member's board provides no regulation, oversight, management, or policy-setting recommendations regarding the subject contract or transaction and the contract or transaction is disclosed at a public meeting of the Board of County Commissioners. To determine compliance with this provision, it is necessary that you, as a board member applicant, identify all contractual relationships between Palm Beach County government and you as an individual, directly or indirectly, or your employer or business. This information should be provided in the space below. If there are no contracts or transactions to report, please verify that none exist. Staff will review this information and determine if you are eligible to serve or if you may be eligible for an exception or waiver pursuant to the code.

<u>Contract/Transaction No.</u>	<u>Department/Division</u>	<u>Description of Service</u>	<u>Term</u>
Example: (R#XX-XX/PO XX)	Parks & Rec	General Maintenance	10/01/00 - 09/30/2100

SERVING ON OTHER ADVISORY BOARDS / COMMITTEES:

Are you currently serving on any other Advisory Boards or Committees within Palm Beach County? YES X NO

If YES, please list:

CODE OF ETHICS TRAINING: X COMPLETED DATE: 6/3/2026

All board members are required to read and complete training on Article XIII of the Palm Beach Code, the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics. Ethics training is ongoing, and pursuant to PPM CW-P-79 is required before appointment, and upon reappointment. All board members must also be familiar with the State of Florida Code of Ethics, (Chapter 112, part III of the Florida Statutes), and the Florida Sunshine Law.

Training on the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics can be found on the web at: <http://www.palmbeachcountyethics.com/training.htm>.

Any questions and/or concerns regarding Article XIII of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics, please visit the Commission on Ethics website www.palmbeachcountyethics.com or contact us via email at ethics@palmbeachcountyethics.com or (561) 233-0724.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: By signing below I acknowledge that I have read, understand and agree to abide by Article XIII, The Palm Beach County Code of Ethics, and I have received the required Code of Ethics Training. By signing below, I acknowledge that I will be subject to the State of Florida and Palm Beach County Code of Ethics and the Florida Sunshine Law (Chapter 286, Florida Statutes).

(NOTE: Signature must be an actual signature or an electronic signature. A "typed" signature (name) will not be accepted)

SIGNATURE: Mark Evan Dorestin PRINTED NAME: MARK EVAN DORESTIN DATE: 8/27/2026

SECTION III - COMMISSIONER (OFFICE USE ONLY)

DISTRICT # DATE:

SECTION IV - (OFFICE USE ONLY)

APPOINTMENT MADE: YES NO

BCC MEETING: DATE

Pursuant to Florida's Public Records Law, this document may be reviewed and photocopied by members of the public.

EDUCATION		Lake Worth, FL
Palm Beach State College - <i>Cumulative GPA: 0.00</i>		Expected Graduation: <i>May 2027</i>
Associate of Arts In Criminal Justice EXPERIENCE		
Office of State Representative Jervonte Edmonds <i>Legislative Intern</i>		West Palm Beach, FL <i>August 2025 – Present</i>
- Assist the legislative team with constituent casework, district research, and issue-based inquiries by gathering accurate information, drafting responses, and helping identify resources that support community needs and legislative priorities. - Represent the office at political, legal, and civic events to engage with attorneys, judges, elected officials, nonprofit leaders, and business professionals, strengthening community partnerships and expanding the office’s visibility across Palm Beach County. - Support the planning and execution of district events by coordinating scheduling, preparing talking points, tracking attendance, and managing follow-up communication to maintain strong relationships with stakeholders and community		Lesser, Landy, Smith & West Palm Beach, FL <i>March 2026 – Present</i>
- Law Clerk <i>Intern</i> - Assist attorneys and staff with organizing, reviewing, and maintaining legal documents, case files, and litigation materials to support ongoing legal matters and office operations. - Observe and develop an understanding of litigation workflow, case management procedures, professional legal communication, and the importance of accuracy, confidentiality, and deadline management within a legal environment. - Support administrative and operational tasks by maintaining organized records, tracking case related materials, and assisting with office coordination to ensure efficiency and professionalism throughout daily legal operations.		
Legal Office of Steven B. Grant <i>Intern</i>		Boynton Beach, FL <i>December 2025 – April 2026</i>
- Assist with daily legal office operations by managing assigned workloads and supporting internal administrative tasks that contribute to the organization and efficiency of ongoing legal matters within the office. - Prepare, review, organize, and maintain legal documents, case files, and supporting materials while ensuring that records remain accurate, properly structured, and consistently maintained for internal use - Contribute to overall office efficiency by ensuring legal documents, case materials, and internal records are consistently organized, updated, and readily accessible when needed for ongoing legal work.		
LEADERSHIP & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT		
Toastmasters		Palm Beach County, FL <i>September 2025 – Present</i>
<i>Member</i>		
- Participate in structured public speaking workshops designed to enhance articulation, confidence, stage presence, and ability to speak clearly under pressure. - Deliver prepared speeches and impromptu responses while receiving detailed peer and mentor feedback that helps refine tone, clarity, pacing and professional communication style. - Strengthen the communication skills essential for future roles in law, advocacy, negotiation, and community leadership.		
Career Ready <i>Volunteer</i>		West Palm Beach, FL <i>September 2025 – Present</i>
- Assisted high school seniors with preparing for graduation and career readiness by helping distribute professional attire, organizing materials, and supporting event logistics. - Engaged directly with students, parents, and community partners to promote confidence, professionalism, and educational success. - Contributed to a high impact event focused on youth empowerment and academic transition.		
Sigma Beta Club <i>Youth Leadership Member</i>		Palm Beach County, FL <i>August 2019 – May 2023</i>
- Participated in a nationally recognized youth leadership and character building program sponsored by Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc, focusing on male mentorship, academic excellence, and community responsibility. - Engaged In weekly meetings and structured leadership workshops that developed discipline, time management, emotional intelligence, and goal setting skills at an early age. - Built foundational skills in communication, professionalism, community engagement that later influenced academic growth, career ambitions, and involvement in public service and government work.		
OTHER SKILLS & INTERESTS		
Interests: Public Service, Community Leadership, Fitness & Personal Growth, Traveling, Financial Literacy, Iron Man Movies		

There is hereby established an advisory commission to be known as the "Palm Beach County Criminal Justice Commission," herein referred to as the "Criminal Justice Commission."

- (1) *Membership.* The Criminal Justice Commission shall be comprised of eighteen (18) public sector members and seventeen (17) private sector members for a total commission of thirty-five (35) members in accordance with the policies and procedures established by the Board of County Commissioners for advisory commissions as follows:

- a. *Public Sector Membership.*

- 1. Mayor or Commission member of the Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners.
- 2. Palm Beach County Sheriff.
- 3. State Attorney, 15th Judicial Circuit.
- 4. Public Defender, 15th Judicial Circuit.
- 5. Clerk of the Palm Beach County Circuit Court.
- 6. Chief Judge, 15th Judicial Circuit.
- 7. Administrative Judge, Juvenile Division, 15th Judicial Circuit.
- 8. Member, Palm Beach County School Board.
- 9. Member, Palm Beach County Legislative Delegation.
- 10. Member, Palm Beach County League of Cities.
- 11. District IX Juvenile Justice Manager, Florida Department of Juvenile Justice.
- 12. Representative of Police Chiefs Association.
- 13. Chief, West Palm Beach Police Department.
- 14. Circuit Administrator, Florida Department of Corrections, 15th Judicial Circuit.
- 15. Supervisory Special Agent, Florida Department of Law Enforcement.
- 16. President, Crime Prevention Officers' Association.
- 17. United States Attorney, Southern District of Florida or Assistant U.S. Attorney, West Palm Beach.
- 18. Member, Palm Beach Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers

The term of membership for the Public Sector members will be for the duration of their position entitling them to sit as a member of the Criminal Justice Commission.

- b. *Private Sector Membership.*

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Ten (10) persons will be nominated by the Palm Beach County Economic Council, of which consideration should be given to one (1) representative from CareerSource and one (1) representative from the Health Care District of Palm Beach County. Nominees do not have to be members of the Economic Council, and said nominations must be submitted to the Board of County Commissioners of Palm Beach County, Florida for approval.

2. One (1) person will be nominated to represent the Black Chamber of Commerce and one (1) person will be nominated to represent the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Each chamber will nominate its representative.
 3. Five (5) at-large members of the local community, including: one (1) local clergy; one (1) returning citizen; one (1) crime survivor; one (1) student between seventeen (17) and twenty-two (22) years of age; and one (1) member of the community at large shall be nominated by the Criminal Justice Commission and approved by the Board of County Commissioners.
 4. *Member Nominations.* The nomination process shall begin ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of a member's term, or immediately in the event of an unplanned vacancy. The Economic Council, Black Chamber of Commerce, and Hispanic Chamber of Commerce shall be notified and requested to provide nominations for appointment. An approved board appointment form, with attached resume, must be completed for all nominees prior to transmittal to the BCC. These members shall be representative of all segments of Palm Beach County, Florida.
 5. *Attendance.* Private Sector Members shall be automatically removed for lack of attendance. Lack of attendance is defined as failure to attend three (3) consecutive meetings or a failure to attend more than one-half of the meetings scheduled during a calendar year. Participation for less than three-fourths of a meeting shall be the same as a failure to attend a meeting. Members removed pursuant to this paragraph shall not continue to serve on the Criminal Justice Commission and such removal shall create a vacancy.
- (2) *Maximum Number of Boards.* The maximum number of Boards that an individual member appointed by the Board of County Commissioners may serve on at one (1) time shall be three (3), except that no individual may serve on more than one (1) board, if doing so would violate Article II, Section 5(a) of the Florida Constitution, which prohibits dual office holding.
 - (3) *Terms of Office.* Private Sector members shall be appointed for a three-year term, with said term commencing on January 1 for the first year of appointment and expiring on December 31 of the third year. Beginning on or after March 1, 2013, no private sector member shall be

appointed or reappointed to the Criminal Justice Commission for more than three (3) consecutive three-year terms. Existing members' terms shall end on December 31 of the year in which their term expires.

- (4) *Vacancies.* Vacancies occurring during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term, and shall not count toward the member's term limits.
- (5) *Residency.* All members of the Criminal Justice Commission must be residents of Palm Beach County at the time of appointment or nomination and while serving on the Criminal Justice Commission. Exceptions to this requirement are allowed when circumstances warrant outside technical/professional representation, or if statute or other rule specifies. Appointed members of the Criminal Justice Commission shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing body.
- (6) *Qualification as a Candidate.* Criminal Justice Commission members shall not be prohibited from qualifying as a candidate for elected office.
- (7) *Sunshine Law and State Code of Ethics.* Criminal Justice Commission members shall comply with the Sunshine Law and State Code of Ethics. However, that portion of a meeting of a duly constituted Criminal Justice Commission at which members of the Commission discuss active criminal intelligence information or active criminal investigative information that is currently being considered by, or which may foreseeably come before, the Commission is exempt from F.S. § 286.011, as amended or replaced and Section 24(b), Article I of the Florida State Constitution, as amended or replaced, provided that at any public meeting of the Criminal Justice Commission at which such matter is being considered, the Commission members publicly disclose the fact that the matter has been discussed. Reasonable public notice of all Criminal Justice Commission meetings shall be provided. All meetings of the Criminal Justice Commission shall be open to the public at all times and minutes shall be taken at each meeting.
- (8) *Palm Beach County Code of Ethics.* Criminal Justice Commission members appointed under subsection (1)b.1—3 of this section are to comply with the applicable provisions of the Palm Beach County Code of Ethics as codified in Sections 2-441 through 2-448 of the Palm Beach County Code.
- (9) *Annual Narrative Report.* The Criminal Justice Commission shall submit an annual narrative report to the Board of County Commissioners.

(Ord. No. 88-16, § 1, 8-16-88; Ord. No. 89-3, § 1, 3-21-89; Ord. No. 90-38, § 1, 10-16-90; Ord. No. 92-14, § 1, 5-28-92; Ord. No. 92-25, § 1, 9-15-92; Ord. No. 93-1, § 1, 2-1-93; Ord. No. 93-35, § 1, 12-21-93; Ord. No. 95-6, § 1, 3-21-95; Ord. No. 2014-003, § 1, 3-11-14; Ord. No. 2016-017, § 1, 3-1-16; Ord. No. 2023-039, § 1, 11-21-23)

Sec. 2-217. - Objectives.

The Criminal Justice Commission is established to study all aspects of the criminal justice and crime prevention systems within the federal, state, county, municipal and private agencies within the County. This purpose shall include the study of the health and human services and educational systems, among others, as they pertain to criminal justice or crime prevention. The Criminal Justice Commission shall make recommendations to the Board of County Commissioners on policies and programs designed to accomplish the following objectives:

- (1) Ensure the coordination of law enforcement and crime prevention efforts in the County;
- (2) Ensure an efficient, just, and cost effective criminal justice system in the County; and
- (3) Effect the reduction of crime in the County on a permanent basis.

(Ord. No. 88-16, § 2, 8-16-88; Ord. No. 2023-039, § 1, 11-21-23)

Sec. 2-218. - Authority.

The Criminal Justice Commission shall have the following authority and powers:

- (1) To review, research and evaluate existing systems and programs within the scope of the Criminal Justice Commission;
- (2) To establish task forces or subcommittees to study in detail key aspects of programs and systems within the scope of the Criminal Justice Commission;
- (3) To adopt from time to time rules and bylaws providing for the governance of the Criminal Justice Commission, which rules and bylaws will be adopted by a majority vote of the members of the Criminal Justice Commission;
- (4) To establish an executive committee by the majority vote of the members of the Criminal Justice Commission, which executive committee will have such powers and authority as delegated by the Criminal Justice Commission;
- (5) To review and comment on all grant requests for programs and systems within the scope of the Criminal Justice Commission;
- (6) To make recommendations on modifying, creating or abolishing public and private systems and programs within the scope of the Criminal Justice Commission;
- (7) To make recommendations on modifying, creating or abolishing legislation, ordinances or regional or county-wide comprehensive plans dealing with systems and programs within the scope of the Criminal Justice Commission;
- (8) To assist the consolidation of systems and programs within the scope of the Criminal Justice Commission when approved by the Board of County Commissioners;

(9)

To request members of all agencies within the auspices of the Board of County Commissioners, to provide the Criminal Justice Commission in a timely manner with all data and information requested by the Criminal Justice Commission, to appear at any meeting or hearing requested by the Criminal Justice Commission, and to otherwise work in cooperation and good faith with the Criminal Justice Commission in pursuing the Criminal Justice Commission's objectives; and

- (10) To take all acts reasonably required by the Criminal Justice Commission in the exercise of the authority set forth above and the pursuit of the Criminal Justice Commission's objectives.

(Ord. No. 88-16, § 3, 8-16-88; Ord. No. 2023-039, § 1, 11-21-23)

Sec. 2-219. - Operation.

- (a) *Travel Expenses, Reimbursement and Approval Authority.* Members of the Criminal Justice Commission shall serve without compensation, but may be eligible for travel reimbursement for only those expenses which are incurred for travel outside Palm Beach County which is necessary to fulfill Criminal Justice Commission member responsibilities provided sufficient funds have been budgeted and are available as set forth in Countywide Policy and Procedures Memoranda (PPM) CW-O-038. Any approved travel reimbursement shall be subject to those actual expenses at the rate or rates established by State law and County travel policy. Approval authority for preauthorized Criminal Justice Commission member travel is designated to the County Administrator and Deputy County Administrator and shall be in accordance with PPM CW-F-009.
- (b) The Criminal Justice Commission shall comply with the quorum requirements of Palm Beach County Ordinance No. 2021-009, as amended or replaced. The chairperson may call a meeting or a meeting may be called upon the written request of three (3) members made to the executive director.
- (c) The Criminal Justice Commission shall operate with such funding and staffing as the Board of County Commissioners shall approve from time to time.

(Ord. No. 88-16, § 4, 8-16-88; Ord. No. 2014-003, § 2, 3-11-14; Ord. No. 2023-039, § 1, 11-21-23)

Sec. 2-220. - Staff cooperation and support.

The staff of the Board of County Commissioners, including but not limited to the County Administrator, the County Attorney, the Public Safety Department and all other departments of the County, are hereby charged with the responsibility to furnish to the Criminal Justice Commission such records, documents, reports and other data on criminal justice matters which, in the opinion of the Criminal Justice Commission, are reasonably necessary in order that the Criminal Justice Commission may fulfill the duties required of it hereunder. Support services for the Criminal Justice Commission shall be made available by the Public Safety Department, as needed.

(Ord. No. 88-16, § 5, 8-16-88; Ord. No. 2023-039, § 1, 11-21-23)

Sec. 2-221. - Administration.

The Criminal Justice Commission shall perform its duties through collaboration between the County, municipality, and state criminal justice agencies, along with other intersecting system agencies, such as education, health, behavioral health, human services agencies and related community-based and non-profit organizations. The Board of County Commissioners shall employ an executive director who shall be responsible for executing the CJC's authority and work activities to achieve the mission and objectives of the Criminal Justice Commission. The executive director shall be responsible for resource allocation, operations, budgeting, and personnel. The executive director shall hire such other administrative, professional and clerical assistance as necessary to carry out its duties authorized by this article, and as provided for in the Criminal Justice Commission's budget, reviewed and approved by the Board of County Commissioners. The County Administrator shall have oversight of the executive director who will be selected by the Criminal Justice Commission and County Administrator and approved by the Board of County Commissioners. The goals and performance evaluations of the executive director shall be accomplished jointly by the County Administrator and the Criminal Justice Commission. The Public Safety Department may provide financial oversight in managing agreements, contracts, revenues and expenditures for the Criminal Justice Commission, as needed.

(Ord. No. 88-16, § 6, 8-16-88; Ord. No. 2016-017, § 2, 3-1-16; Ord. No. 2023-039, § 1, 11-21-23)



* - denotes Executive Committee Member
** - denotes F.S.S. Chapter 119 Exemption