



CITY OF PASADENA

BIOGRAPHICAL DATA FOR APPOINTMENT TO CITY ADVISORY BODY

The information contained on this form is for the City Council to fill vacancies on the Community Police Oversight Commission. Please answer all questions. You are invited to attach additional pages, a copy of your resume, or submit supplemental information which you feel may assist the City Council in its evaluation of your application.

Biographical forms may be submitted any time during the year; however, they will be purged January 31 of each year. If you have not been appointed to the Community Police Oversight Commission and still desire appointment, please resubmit an updated biographical form or advise in writing that the initial form is still usable.

Commission on which you would you like to serve: Community Police Oversight Commission

Applicant Name: Phillip J. Argento

Date available to start: 02/16/2021.

Home Address: [REDACTED] Pasadena, CA 91106

Home Phone: [REDACTED]

Employer: Retired

Work Phone: [REDACTED]

Work Address:

E-mail: [REDACTED]

Community Service - List boards, commissions, committees, and organizations on which you are currently serving or have served, offices held and in what city.

Chair, Foothill Family Services, Pasadena, CA (1980s); Chair, Pomona College Alumni Association, West San Gabriel Valley (1970s); Evening Co-Chair, Pasadena Area League of Women Voters (1970s); Member, Speaker's Committee, Pasadena Bar Association, Pasadena (1970s). Chair, Presiding Judges Association of Los Angeles County (1990-1992); Chair, Municipal Court Judges Association (2000)

Employment - Title and duties, current and past.

Assigned Judge for Judicial Council of California (2005-2020); Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court (2000-2005); Judge, Pasadena Municipal Court (1982-2000). Presided over criminal matters ranging from traffic infractions to murder; presided over civil matters ranging from small claims to major tort litigation.

Attorney, most recently, Breidenbach, Swainston, Yokaitis & Crispo (1978-1982). Handled tort litigation.

Instructor/Professor (part-time) at Pasadena City College, Loyola Law School, Glendale University College of Law, University of La Verne College of Law, Pomona College, and UCLA Extension.

Education – Include professional or vocational licenses or certificates.

J.D. Georgetown University (1975); M.J. UCLA (1968); B.A. Pomona College (1963); Liberal Arts, Pasadena City College (1963-1965); Community College Teaching Credential.

Personal – Answer “yes” or “no” to the following questions.

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| 1. Have you ever worked for the City of Pasadena? (If yes, please list dates/department) | YES | <u>NO</u> |
| 2. Are you related to any employee or appointee of the City of Pasadena? (If yes, please indicate name and relationship.) | YES | <u>NO</u> |
| 3. Are you aware that financial disclosure is required annually? (e.g. sources of income, loans and gifts, investments, interests in real property.) | <u>YES</u> | NO |
| 4. Rules of law and ethics prohibit members from participating in and voting on matters in which they may have a direct or indirect financial interest. Are you aware of any potential conflicts of interest which may develop from your occupation or holdings in relation to your responsibilities as a member of the Community Police Oversight Commission? (If yes, please indicate any potential conflicts): | YES | <u>NO</u> |
| 5. Have there been or are there now, any personal or business circumstances which might reflect adversely on the propriety of your serving as a member of the Community Police Advisory Commission? | YES | <u>NO</u> |
| 6. Are you aware of the time commitment necessary to fulfill the obligations of the Community Police Oversight Commission? | <u>YES</u> | NO |
| 7. Are you applying to serve in one of the community-based organization seats? | YES | <u>NO</u> |
- (If Yes, indicate name of organization you represent, your job title, and length of service): _____
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| 8. Are you presently or have you ever worked as a member of law enforcement? | <u>YES</u> | NO |
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- (If yes, please indicate job title and years of service): U.S. Army Reserve Military Police (Intelligence Unit) (1969-1974—initial four months active duty, annual two weeks of active duty)
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| 9. Are you a practicing attorney that handles, or are you a member of any firm or entity that currently handles criminal or civil matters involving the Pasadena Police Department? | YES | <u>NO</u> |
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10. Describe your relevant life experience, professional training, and/or education in the following areas: Police Activity/Law Enforcement/Criminal Justice System; Social Justice; Mental Health; and Anti-Bias Curriculum/Studies and/or Working with Diverse Populations:

My experience as a judge included oversight of police work such as reviewing applications for search warrants, handling motions to suppress evidence arising from alleged violations of the Fourth Amendment, and accessing police personnel records concerning incidents of excessive force and falsification of records. I had frequent interactions with mental health professionals assigned to the Pasadena courts. Over the years, I have completed education and training in anti-bias as required by the Judicial Council. I recently completed a 20-hour workshop, “Racism in America: What Is Mine to Do?” At Pasadena City College and at the University of La Verne College of Law, I have taught criminal procedure that has focused predominantly on law enforcement violations of the Fourth Amendment. In 2019, I served as a consultant to the re-written edition of *California Judges Benchbook: Search and Seizure*. I recently completed a 20-hour workshop ‘Racism in America: What Is Mine to Do?’ produced by the Inward Bound Center for Non-Profit Leadership.

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Commissioner Biographical Form - VOLUNTARY

This biographical form will be filed in the Office of the Mayor & City Council; if you are appointed to a commission, it will assist City Hall in responding to questions regarding your background as a commissioner if requested by the news media or interested citizens. This Biographical Form should be submitted along with your commission application.

If you choose to complete the form, please be sure that the information provided is factual. It will be the basis for information provided over the telephone and at the public counter. The form may be duplicated and given to the news media and it may also be posted on the City's website.

NAME: Phillip J. Argento DISTRICT: 2 YEARS AS PASADENA RESIDENT: 45

OCCUPATION: Retired Judge, Los Angeles Superior Court

EDUCATION & TRAINING: J.D., Georgetown University Law Center (1975); M.J.,UCLA (1968); B.A., Pomona College (1967); Liberal Arts, Pasadena City College (1963-1965)

SERVICE RECORD: U.S. Army Reserve (1968-1974)

MEMBERSHIP & OFFICES HELD IN CIVIC, RELIGIOUS, FRATERNAL OR TECHNICAL ASSOCIATIONS:

Civic -- Chair, Foothill Family Services, Pasadena, CA (1980s); Chair, Pomona College Alumni Association, West San Gabriel Valley (1970s); Evening Co-Chair, Pasadena Area League of Women Voters (1970s); Member, Speaker's Committee, Pasadena Bar Association, Pasadena (1970s). Chair, Presiding Judges Association of Los Angeles County (1990-1992); Chair, Municipal Court Judges Association (2000)

Religious -- Member, School Board, St. Philip the Apostle Church School (1980s); Chair, Liturgy Committee, St. Philip the Apostle School (1980s); Chair, Worship Commission, Holy Family Church (early 2000s); Member, Parish Council, Holy Family Church (early 2000s).

HOBBIES: Current Affairs; Walking

SIGNATURE: _____  _____ DATE: 01/22/2021

I hereby certify that the following information is correct to the best of my knowledge.

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When complete, email and send original to:

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