



Mayor of Providence

David N. Cicilline

August 19, 2009

Honorable Members
Providence City Council
City Hall
Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Dear Honorable Members:

Pursuant to Sections 302(b) and 1103 of the Providence Home Rule Charter of 1980, as amended, I am this day appointing Mr. Raymond L. Watson, of 193 Vinton St., Providence, Rhode Island 02903, to the Human Relations Commission for a term to expire in January 2012, and respectfully submit the same for your approval.

Mr. Watson will be replacing Thomas Whitten on the Commission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature of David N. Cicilline in black ink.

David N. Cicilline
Mayor

DNC: ljp

IN CITY COUNCIL

SEP 17 2009

READ
WHEREUPON IT IS ORDERED THAT
THE SAME BE RECEIVED AND APPROVED
A handwritten signature of the clerk in black ink.
CLERK

Raymond L. Watson

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Objective:

To use my education, skills and life experiences to better our urban communities

Education:

Master of Community Planning, Housing and Community Development Concentration, August 2005
University of Rhode Island, Kingston, RI

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, June 2002
Union College, Schenectady, NY

Honors, Awards and Fellowships:

- Recipient, Pillar of Civic Leadership Award - Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society, URI Circle (April 2009)
- Recipient, Citizen Citation - Mayor David Cicilline, City of Providence (January 2009)
- Selected, One of "Nine People to look out for in 2009" - Providence Journal (January 2009)
- Recipient, 2008 Certificate of Appreciation - Providence Police Department (February 2008)
- Recipient, 2007 Arthur David Wright, III, Esq. Youth Achievement Award - Urban League of Rhode Island (June 2007)
- Co-recipient, 2005 Graduate Student Project Award - RIAPA (November 2005)
- Co-recipient, 2005 Best Student Award - RIAPA (May 2005)
- Recipient, Minorities Fellowship - URI Foundation (October 2004)
- Recipient, Youth in Non-Profit Fellowship - Rhode Island Foundation (April 2004)

Community Development Experience:

Executive Director, Mount Hope Neighborhood Association, Inc. – Providence, RI, 2006 to Present

- Oversee daily activities of center
- Serve as agency representative
- Program development
- Fund development
- Advocate on behalf of community
- Host/facilitate community forums/workshops

Program Coordinator, "ProSource" Job Training and Employment Program – Providence, RI, 2005 to 2006

- Recruit individuals to participate in program
- Instruct daily employment training classes
- Provide career counseling, guidance and case management for participants

Member, Rhode Island Young Professionals – Providence, RI, 2002 to Present

- Advisor, 2009
- President, 2008
- President/Social Chair, 2007
- Parliamentarian, 2006
- Social Chair, 2005
- Personal and Professional Development Chair, 2004
- Parliamentarian, 2003
- Co-Founder, 2002

Projects:

- Masters Research Project: "In My Hood: Fox Point and the Effects of Gentrification" – September, 2005
- Graduate Studio Project: "Warwick Intermodal Train Station (WITS) Project" – May, 2005

Skills/ Talents:

- Grant Writing
- Facilitating Forums and Workshops
- Motivational Speaking & Professional Speech Writing
- Development Consulting

Affiliations:

- University of Rhode Island Diversity Tax Force, Division of Academic Affairs (Member, August 2009 to present)
- University of Rhode Island Alumni of Color Coalition (Chair, 2009 to Present)
- Omicron Delta Kappa National Honor Leadership Society (Inductee, 2009 to Present)
- Northern Narragansett Indian Tribe of Rhode Island (War Chief, 2008 to Present)
- Family Services of Rhode Island (Board Member, 2008 to Present)
- Providence Black Repertory Theatre Company (Board Member, 2007 to Present)
- Direct Action for Rights and Equality (Member, 2006 to Present)
- Urban League of Rhode Island (Member, 2003 to Present; Board Member, 2007 to Present)
- Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. (Brother, 2000 to Present)

References Upon Request