

MURIEL BOWSER MAYOR

OCT 1 1 2016

The Honorable Phil Mendelson Chairman Council of the District of Columbia John A. Wilson Building 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 504 Washington, DC 20004

Dear Chairman Mendelson:

In accordance with section 4 of the Office on Ex-Offender Affairs and Commission on Re-Entry and Ex-Offender Affairs Establishment Act of 2006, effective March, 2007 (D.C. Law 16-243; D.C. Official Code § 24-1303), which established the Commission on Re-Entry and Ex-Offender Affairs ("Commission"), re-designated by Mayor's Order 2012-31, dated February 12, 2012, as the Commission on Re-Entry and Returning Citizen Affairs, I am pleased to nominate the following person for appointment to the Commission on Re-Entry and Returning Citizen Affairs:

Mr. Corwin Knight 2952 2nd Street, S.E. Washington, DC 20032 (Ward 8)

as a member of the Commission replacing Trina Robinson, for a term to end August 4, 2019.

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

I would appreciate the Council's earliest consideration of this nomination for confirmation. Please do not hesitate to contact me, or Steven Walker, Director, Mayor's Office of Talent and Appointments, should the Council require additional information.

Sincerely.

Muriel Bowser

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 following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on To confirm the appointment of Mr. Corwin Knight to the Commission on Re-Entry and Returning Citizen Affairs. RESOLVED, BY COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, that this resolution may be cited as the "Commission on Re-Entry and Returning Citizen Affairs Corwin Knight Confirmation Resolution of 2016". Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the appointment of: Mr. Corwin Knight 2952 2nd Street, S.E. Washington, DC 20032 (Ward 8) as a member of the Commission on Re-Entry and Returning Citizen Affairs, established by section 4 of the Office on ex-Offender Affairs and Commission on Re-Entry and Ex-Offender Affairs Establishment Act of 2006, effective March, 2007 (D.C. Law 16-243; D.C. Official Code § 24-1303), re-designated by Mayor's Order 2012-31, dated February 12, 2012, as the Commission on Re-Entry and Returning Citizens Affairs, replacing Trina Robinson, for a term to end August 4, 2019.

Sec. 3. The Council of the District of Columbia shall transmit a copy of this resolution.

upon its adoption, to the nominee and to the Office of the Mayor.

Corwin Knight

SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS

Dedicated professional offering an accomplished career within the community in the areas of youth development/advocacy, reentry integration, case management, and homeless transitioning. Commended by community leaders for enhancing mentoring services and enriching the lives of underprivileged youth and at-risk populations.

Expertise in the areas of:

- Counseling/Coaching
- Reentry transitioning Crisis Intervention
- Case Management
- Problem-Solving
- Youth Advocacy
- Housing and Placement
- Axis I & II Disorders
- Substance Abuse Prevention

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Hope Foundation Reentry Network CEO/Founder

2008 - Present

- Executive Director responsible for developing and delivering outreach and case management services designed to promote stability, recovery, and reintegration of youth, the homeless population, and formerly incarcerated individuals. Establish the strategic program direction to provide supportive services that foster healthy development, improved decision making, life skills, substance abuse prevention, and self-sufficiency. Execute all phases of intake assessments to determine an appropriate level of support.
- Provide outreach and comprehensive case management services by coordinating and assisting clients in securing housing, sustaining employment, obtaining medical benefits, receiving mental health counseling, maintaining sobriety, and to advocate on behalf of clients with noted improvement. Consult with clients to formulate Individual Recovery Plans (IRP) and establish attainable goals.
- Serve an integral role in collaborating with community-based organizations, shelters, and transitional housing facilities to collectively offer on-going coaching, stability, and support. Plan, organize, and facilitate events to provide educational services and build trust and rapport with clients and stakeholders. Utilize evidence-based practices to lead one-on-one sessions, groups, workshops, and seminars to reduce barriers and encourage overall wellness.

Accomplishments:

- 2015 Mentor of the Year Award
- 2015 National Alliance of Faith and Justice Award
- 2014 Mayor's Service Star Award
- 2014 Unsung Hero Award
- 2013 Department of Correction/ Making a Difference Award
- 2012 Office of Returning Citizens Affairs Community Appreciation Award
- 2012 Community Leadership Award

Corwin Knight (Resume Continued)

Comfort System USA Plumbing Commercial Plumber

2012 - Present

- Provided technical expertise to all aspects of plumbing, HVAC repair, and interior/exterior maintenance.
- Repaired and installed new gas lines and hot/cold water lines. Coordinated schedules with various construction departments to facilitate new and existing projects. Interpreted blueprints and advanced principles to resolve plumbing issues.
- Communicated with customers to provide recommendations on repairs, replacements, and upgrades. Ensured compliance with safety regulatory guidance and site operating procedures.

John J. Kirlin L.L.C. Plumber Mechanic

2009 - 2011

- Installed, repaired, and maintained pipes, fixtures and other plumbing used for water distribution and waste water disposal in commercial buildings for the Department of Homeland Security project.
- Collaborated with other trades and laborers to ensure that all specifications, legislation and policies were met. Served as the project manager to ensure efficient completion of the tasks. Provided adequate services to allow proper usage of water supply networks and waste and drainage systems.
- Conducted installation and repairs in accordance with safety standards and building codes of regulations.

Harbor Light Treatment Program Residential Monitor

2010 - 2012

- Provided direct support and assistance to dually diagnosed individuals with mental challenges and chemical dependency to develop life skills and to encourage independence.
- Conducted assessments of living quarters to determine if health and wellness standards are met.
- Served a key role in providing input to the development of Individual Treatment Plans.
- Determined innovative weekly program activities to promote independence and to build life skills.
- Motivate and develop strategies to identify barriers and to overcome chemical dependency.

SKILLS

Proficient in Microsoft Word, Excel, and Outlook
Typing Ability: 45 WPM
Excellent Oral and Written Communication
Certified Mentor
CPR Certified
Certified Parenting Instructor CICC's Effective Black Parenting Program

EDUCATION

May 2009 Mentor, Completed 240 hours Youth Act Intern Program for the Correctional Treatment Facility (CTF), under the leadership of Dr. Ronald Klein

September 1985 to June 1987 Phelps Career Center Washington, DC, Completed Plumber Training Program

April 1998 to September 2011 UA Local Union 5 Plumber and Pipefitters Apprentice Program, Mechanic Training

June 1987 Graduate Spingarn Sr. High

Professional Training:

DC Department of Correction Basic Volunteer Training (In-Service / Pre-Service Training) 2011

Inmate Management; 16 hours

PREA / Sexual Abuse and Misconduct / Sexual Harassment; 8 hours

Suicide Prevention & Intervention / Mental Health; 8 hours

Lesbian / Gay / Bisexual / Transgender (LGBT) Training; 8 hours

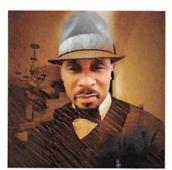
Stress Awareness; 8 hours

First Aid / CPR Training 4/28/2012 to 4/30/2014



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Corwin Knight



Corwin Knight is the founder and CEO of the Hope Foundation Reentry Network, Inc., which strives to engage returning citizens and society by offering mentorship and linkages to employment opportunities.

Mr. Knight has worked extensively with diverse client populations, including incarcerated men, women, transgender individuals, families, substance abusers, and at-risk youth. The objective of the HOPE Foundation is to reduce recidivism and

increase public safety in our communities by providing effective, evidence-based support services to men and women incarcerated in the DC Department of Corrections and making participants more self-supporting, responsive, and productive members of society.

A native Washingtonian and Ward 8 resident, Mr. Knight uses his personal experience as a returning citizen to lead by example and inspire others. He holds several certifications, including recovery coaching and parenting.



GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA Executive Office of Mayor Muriel Bowser



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

To:

Lauren C. Vaughan, Steve Walker

From:

Betsy Cavendish

Date:

September 22, 2016

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Subject:

Legal sufficiency review of Resolutions appointing Al Hanson, Clarence Johnson,

Corwin Knight, Esther Ford, Marcus Bullock, Paula Thompson, Stenise Sanders, Tanisha Murden, and Tony Lewis to the Commission on Re-Entry and Returning

Citizen Affairs

This is to Certify that this office has reviewed the above-referenced Resolutions and found them to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call Alana Intrieri, Deputy General Counsel, Executive Office of the Mayor, at 202-724-1303, or me at 202-724-7681.

Elizabeth Cavendish