

Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Oregon State Senate
DATE: April 18, 2023
BY: Leslie Porter, Analyst
RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



RESIDENTIAL OMBUDSMAN AND PUBLIC GUARDIANSHIP ADVISORY BOARD

The Governor has appointed the following individual to the Residential Ombudsman and Public Guardianship Advisory Board subject to Senate confirmation.¹

New Appointee

Melanie St. John of Portland

Term

April 16, 2023 – June 30, 2025

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 441.416 \(2021\)](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Statutory Requirements³

The board consists of 11 members, seven of whom are appointed by the Governor and subject to confirmation by the Senate.⁴ Members of the board must be residents of this state and may not have a financial or fiduciary interest in residential facilities, long term care facilities, or service providers, or involvement in the licensing or certification of residential facilities, long term care facilities, or service providers. Members serve four-year terms.

Membership must include:

- Seven members who are appointed by the Governor (ALLEN, GLAUS, HINES, KAO, **ST. JOHN**, WILLIAMS, VACANT).
- One member who is appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives (JANSSEN).
- One member who is appointed by the President of the Senate (STOCK).
- One member who is appointed by the House Minority Leader (TERRY).
- One member who is appointed by the Senate Minority Leader (MOWRY).

¹ [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 \(2021\)](#), [ORS 171.565 \(2021\)](#).

² [ORS 244.050 \(2021\)](#).

³ [ORS 182.100 \(2021\)](#) for affirmative action policy and [ORS 236.115 \(2021\)](#) for diversity criteria.

⁴ [ORS 441.416 \(2021\)](#).

One member is appointed by the Governor from each list of four names submitted by organizations for seniors, organizations for persons with mental illness, and the Oregon Council on Developmental Disabilities. Of the four remaining members, two of whom must have expertise in the provision of guardianship, conservatorship and other fiduciary services for persons with inadequate resources.

The board must select one of its members as chairperson and another as vice chairperson, for such terms and with duties and powers necessary for the performance of the functions of such offices as the board determines. The board must meet at least once each month and confer each month with the Long Term Care Ombudsman.

Duties and Authority

The Long-Term Care Ombudsman program serves long-term care facility residents through complaint investigation, resolution, and advocacy for improvement in resident care.⁵ The board monitors the program and advises policymakers on related issues.

The board must:⁶

- monitor the Long-Term Care Ombudsman program;
- advise the Governor and the Legislative Assembly on the Long-Term Care Ombudsman program; and
- nominate, after interviews and according to prescribed criteria, three persons to fill the Long-Term Care Ombudsman position or to fill a vacancy in the position.

The board may review any action by the ombudsman appealable to the board and, if the board disagrees with the action of the ombudsman, refer the resolution back with instructions.⁷

⁵ Oregon Long-Term Care Ombudsman, *About Us*, <https://www.oltco.org/programs/lcco-about-us.html> (last visited April 2, 2023).

⁶ [ORS 441.416 to 441.419 \(2021\)](#).

⁷ *Id.*



Residential Ombudsman and Public Guardian Advisory Board

Agency: **Human Services - Aging & People with Disabilities**

Authorization: **ORS 441.416, SB 626, SB 1553**

Min Members: **11** Max Members: **11**

Term Length: **4** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Human Services**

Board Admin: **Fred Steele**

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Current Appointments

Janssen, Roberta

Term(s): -

House Speaker's Appointment

Position Number: **1**

Mr Terry, Joseph W

Term(s): **10/1/2016 - 6/30/2020**

House Minority Leader Appointment

Position Number: **2**

Ms Stock, Sherry

Term(s): **10/1/2019 - 6/30/2023**

Senate President's Appointment

Position Number: **3**

Mr Mowry, Dwight D

Term(s): **7/1/2018 - 6/30/2022**
11/28/2016 - 6/30/2018

Senate Minority Leader Appointment

Position Number: **4**

Allen, Diana L

Term(s): **7/1/2019 - 6/30/2023**

Governor's Appointee

Position Number: **5**

Ms Schreiber, Susan M

Term(s): **3/15/2017 - 6/30/2020**

Governor's Appointee

Position Number: **6**

St. John, Melanie

Term(s): **4/26/2023 - 6/30/2025**

Position Number: **6**

Glaus, Ronald

Term(s): **9/28/2022 - 6/30/2026**

Governor's Appointee

Position Number: **7**

Kao, Helen S MD	Term(s):	7/1/2022 - 6/30/2026
Governor's Appointee		7/1/2018 - 6/30/2022
Position Number: 9		9/25/2017 - 6/30/2018
Mr Williams, Mark M	Term(s):	12/17/2018 - 12/16/2022
Governor's Appointee		
Position Number: 10		
Hines, Allen M	Term(s):	2/14/2020 - 2/13/2024
Governor's Appointee - Intellectual and DD Expertise		
Position Number: 11		

Vacant Positions

Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
8	Ms Friedman, Jan E	Governor	7/1/2018	6/30/2022
8	Ms Friedman, Jan E	Governor	11/20/2015	6/30/2018
8	Ms Moyer, Meghan W	Governor	7/1/2014	6/30/2018