



COUNCIL AGENDA: 06-05-07
ITEM: 3.11

Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND
CITY COUNCIL

FROM: Lee Price, MMC
City Clerk

SUBJECT: ELECTIONS COMMISSION
INTERVIEWS

DATE: 05-31-07

RECOMMENDATION

Interview Election Commission applicant and consider appointment to fill one unexpired term ending March 1, 2011.

Lee Price, MMC
City Clerk

LP:me



CITY OF SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA
APPLICATION FOR *San Jose City Clerk*
SAN JOSE ELECTIONS COMMISSION

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MEMBERS OF SAN JOSE ELECTIONS COMMISSION MUST BE RESIDENTS OF SAN JOSE. PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN BLACK INK. FACSIMILE APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED. Submit original application to the Office of the City Clerk, 200 East Santa Clara Street, San José, California, 95113, Telephone (408) 535-1260. If more space is needed, please attach additional pages. Applications are valid for one year from the date of application and are public record.

Are you a resident of San José? Yes

Length of Residency
35 years

Council District No.
10

Name
(last, first, middle)

Ventura, Anthony Frank

Home Phone No. [REDACTED]

Work Phone No. [REDACTED]

Address

[REDACTED]

San José, [REDACTED] Zip [REDACTED]

Present Employer (Name/Address)

Miller, Morton, Caillat & Nevis, LLP
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Job Title/Description of Duties:

Attorney/Partner

Current Employer of Spouse (Name/Address)
Ventura Barnett Properties
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Spouse's Job Title/Description of Duties:
Operations Manager

College, Professional, Vocational or Other Schools Attended

Loyola Marymount University

Major Subject

Political Science

Dates Attended

1990-1994

Degree & Date

B.A. Political Science
May 1994

University of Souther California Law School

Law

1994-1997

Juris Doctor
May 1997

List any position or office held in any governmental agency, civic or charitable organization including the dates:

Law clerk for Democratic Minority Leader's Office (May - August 1996)

Languages spoken:

English

PROJECT



Diversity

Special Awards or Recognitions Received:

Judge Pro Tempore (Santa Clara County Superior Court); Mediator/Arbitrator (Santa Clara County Association of Realtors)

Please state why you want to become a member of this Commission including specific objectives which you would work toward as a member. Please indicate any familiarity or experience you may have with campaign laws.

I am interested in becoming a member of the Elections Commission because I have an interest in campaign reform and election procedures. I think it is important that people have faith in the election process and that their participation is both possible and convenient. In college, I majored in Political Science and performed research on campaign reform. I also was a national collegiate debater and spent a year debating various aspects of campaign policies, such as whether campaign contributions were a form of protected speech. In law school, I served as a law clerk in the Minority Leadership Office under Richard Gephardt, where campaign reform was one the the primary areas of focus for my research. Now that my legal practice is established, I have made it a priority to become involved in political issues again. Last year, I joined a local political group. Based upon my education and experience, I could be an asset to the Elections Commission and I would welcome the opportunity serve in that capacity.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST: State and local law require that you abstain from participation in decisions that may affect your financial interests, including sources of income, interests in real property or investments. In addition, if appointed, you may be required to fill out a disclosure statement which identifies certain of your financial interests beginning with the immediate twelve-month period prior to your appointment. Based on your best judgement, does this Commission make decisions that may affect sources of income, interests in real property or investments of you or your spouse? If yes, please explain. Please identify any organizations, associations, corporations or entities by which you are employed or associated that might be affected by decisions of this Commission, and the positions you hold.

No.

Please state any other information which you feel would be useful in reviewing your application.

SAN JOSE REFERENCES:

Name Peter Dessau, Esq.

Phone No. [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED]

Name Chris Hersey, Esq.

Phone No. [REDACTED]

Address [REDACTED]

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT [Handwritten Signature]

DATE SIGNED 5/23/2007

SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION: (OPTIONAL)

Male Female 18-35 36-45 46-55 56-65 65+

Disability: Yes No Any special needs during interview process? Yes No

Racia/Ethnic Identification: White

Sexual Orientation Heterosexual

How did you learn of this vacancy? Rani Ranjan (friend)

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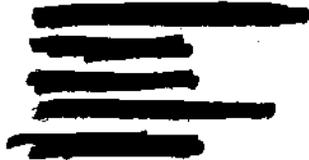
MILLER MORTON CAILLAT & NEVIS, LLP

ATTORNEYS AT LAW



ANTHONY F. VENTURA

PARTNER



OVERVIEW

Tony Ventura is a civil litigation attorney whose practice includes real estate, business, construction and insurance litigation. Tony's practice primarily involves real estate litigation involving both residential and commercial real estate disputes. In residential disputes, Tony represents buyers, sellers, agents, and brokers in claims arising from breach of contract, failures to disclose, negligence and breach of fiduciary duties. Tony also represents buyers and trustors in matters arising from non-judicial foreclosure sales. In commercial disputes, Tony represents both buyers and sellers, owners and tenants, and commercial real estate brokers in disputes arising from the sale or lease of commercial property. Tony practices both in state and federal court throughout California as well as before the California Appellate Court and various administrative and regulatory agencies.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Successfully represented the buyer of a residential home in a dispute with the seller, a beneficiary under a deed of trust, and a title company where the title company failed to identify a deed of trust recorded against the seller's interest in the property prior to the sale.
- Prevailed for a seller of a residential home in an action where the buyer alleged that the seller failed to disclose certain conditions of the home.
- Currently serving as corporate counsel for several residential real estate brokers to provide advice as to specific issues involving residential real estate transactions and the operation of the business, as well as serving as defense counsel in actions filed against the brokers and their agents.
- Represented a commercial real estate broker in an action to recover a commission from the owner of a commercial-space pursuant to a lease
- Obtained a favorable settlement for a client in a commercial lease dispute with a landlord to enforce the client's rights to perform tenant improvements and obtain a release of the security upon completion of the improvements.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & ACTIVITIES

- Judge Pro Tempore*, Santa Clara County Superior Court.
- Mediator*, Santa Clara County Association of Realtors.
- Volunteer*, Lawyer in the Library for the San Jose Pro Bono Project.
- Affiliated Member*, Santa Clara County Association of Realtors.

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Guest speaker*, Santa Clara County Association of Realtors, on topics for brokers and real estate agents.
- Annual speaker*, real estate seminars for Lorman Educational Services.
- Speaker*, legal seminars for real estate brokers and agents.

EDUCATION

- J.D., University of Southern California Law School, 1997
- B.A., Political Science, Loyola Marymount University, 1994