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## BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS APPLICATION

### MAIL OR DELIVER TO:

Contra Costa County  
CLERK OF THE BOARD  
651 Pine Street, Rm. 106  
Martinez, California 94553-1292  
PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN INK  
(Each Position Requires a Separate Application)

BOARD, COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION NAME AND SEAT TITLE YOU ARE APPLYING FOR:

Advisory Council on the Aging  
PRINT EXACT NAME OF BOARD, COMMITTEE, OR COMMISSION

PRINT EXACT SEAT NAME (if applicable)

1. Name: BIRNBAUM Steven M  
(Last Name) (First Name) (Middle Name)

2. Address: [REDACTED] CA 94801  
(No.) (Street) (Apt.) (State) (Zip Code)

3. Phones: [REDACTED]  
(Home No.)

4. Email Address: [REDACTED]

5. EDUCATION: Check appropriate box if you possess one of the following:

High School Diploma ☒ G.E.D. Certificate ☐ California High School Proficiency Certificate ☐

Give Highest Grade or Educational Level Achieved Law Degree

Names of colleges / universities attended	Course of Study / Major	Degree Awarded	Units Completed		Degree Type	Date Degree Awarded
			Semester	Quarter		
A) NYU	Liberal Arts	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	4			
B) BELKNAP COLLEGE	Liberal Arts	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	2			
C)		Yes No <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>				
D) Other schools / training completed:	Course Studied	Hours Completed	Certificate Awarded:			
NEW COLLEGE OF CALIF. SCHOOL OF LAW	LAW	FULL COURSE	Yes No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>			

6. PLEASE FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING SECTION COMPLETELY. List experience that relates to the qualifications needed to serve on the local appointive body. Begin with your most recent experience. A resume or other supporting documentation may be attached but it may not be used as a substitute for completing this section.

<p>A) Dates (Month, Day, Year)  <u>From</u> <u>To</u>  <u>7/83</u> <u>present</u></p> <p>Total: <u>Yrs.</u> <u>Mos.</u>  <u>34</u></p> <p>Hrs. per week <u>40+</u> . Volunteer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Title  <u>CEO - TRIAL ATTORNEY</u></p> <p>Employer's Name and Address  <u>LAW OFFICE OF STEVEN BIRNBAUM</u></p>	<p>Duties Performed  <u>trial Attorney dealing with workers compensation, Social Security and medicare issues for many senior clients</u></p>
<p>B) Dates (Month, Day, Year)  <u>From</u> <u>To</u>  <u>9/77</u> <u>4/82</u></p> <p>Total: <u>Yrs.</u> <u>Mos.</u>  <u>4</u> <u>9</u></p> <p>Hrs. per week <u>40+</u> . Volunteer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Title  <u>Staff Attorney</u></p> <p>Employer's Name and Address  <u>Legal Assistance to the Elderly</u>  <u>San Francisco, CA</u></p>	<p>Duties Performed  <u>Staff attorney representing the elderly of San Francisco in all its neighborhoods under funding from the Older Americans Act. Housing, Social Security, public aid issues are among those I handled</u></p>
<p>C) Dates (Month, Day, Year)  <u>From</u> <u>To</u>  <u>6/64</u> <u>6-70</u></p> <p>Total: <u>Yrs.</u> <u>Mos.</u>  <u>1</u></p> <p>Hrs. per week <u>40+</u> . Volunteer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>  <u>with stipend</u></p>	<p>Title  <u>Volunteer in Service to America Volunteer</u></p> <p>Employer's Name and Address  <u>Now called Americorps</u></p>	<p>Duties Performed  <u>Community worker in Carrollton Georgia helping to organize and provide services to both the white and black community</u></p>
<p>D) Dates (Month, Day, Year)  <u>From</u> <u>To</u></p> <p>Total: <u>Yrs.</u> <u>Mos.</u></p> <p>Hrs. per week ____ . Volunteer <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>Title</p> <p>Employer's Name and Address</p>	<p>Duties Performed</p>

## 7. How did you learn about this vacancy?

☒ CCC Homepage ☐ Walk-In ☐ Newspaper Advertisement ☐ District Supervisor ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

8. Do you have a Familial or Financial Relationship with a member of the Board of Supervisors? (Please see Board Resolution no. 2011/55, attached): No ☒ Yes ☐

If Yes, please identify the nature of the relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

I CERTIFY that the statements made by me in this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith. I acknowledge and understand that all information in this application is publically accessible. I understand and agree that misstatements / omissions of material fact may cause forfeiture of my rights to serve on a Board, Committee, or Commission in Contra Costa County.

Sign Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: 6-5-2017

**Important Information**

1. This application is a public document and is subject to the California Public Records Act (CA Gov. Code §6250-6270).
2. Send the completed paper application to the Office of the Clerk of the Board at: 651 Pine Street, Room 108, Martinez, CA 94553.
3. A résumé or other relevant information may be submitted with this application.
4. All members are required to take the following training: 1) The Brown Act, 2) The Better Government Ordinance, and 3) Ethics Training.
5. Members of boards, commissions, and committees may be required to: 1) file a Statement of Economic Interest Form also known as a Form 700, and 2) complete the State Ethics Training Course as required by AB 1234.
6. Advisory body meetings may be held in various locations and some locations may not be accessible by public transportation.
7. Meeting dates and times are subject to change and may occur up to two days per month.
8. Some boards, committees, or commissions may assign members to subcommittees or work groups which may require an additional commitment of time.

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**STEVEN M. BIRNBAUM, ESQ.**

**Born:** August 14, 1948, New Jersey

**Education:** Attended New York University, New York, NY.  
Graduated New College of California School of Law, San Francisco, 1978  
CLE Seminars, National College of Advocacy

**Government Service:** Volunteers in Service to America (VISTA), 1969-1970 (Carrollton, Ga.)

**License to Practice:** State of California, 1978; U.S. District Court, No. California;  
U.S. Court of Appeals, 9th Circuit, U.S. Supreme Court

**Certifications:** Certified Workers Compensation Specialists, State Bar of California  
Certified Specialist Maritime and Admiralty, State Bar of California

**Professional Experience:**

Clinical Extern, San Francisco Neighborhood Legal Assistance 1978-80

Legal Assistance to the Elderly, San Francisco, CA

1978-1982 -- Staff Attorney

Clinical Advisor, New College School of Law (San Francisco, CA)

Law Offices of Steven M. Birnbaum, A Professional Corporation, 1983-present,  
Specializing in Workers' Compensation under the Longshore and Harbor  
Workers' Act and under the California Labor Code, arguing before the United States  
Department of Labor OALJ, Benefits Review Board and in the U.S. Court of Appeal, Ninth  
Circuit

**Professional Associations:**

Member, California State Bar,

Board Member, presently Vice President for Special Projects, **Workplace Injury Law and  
Advocacy Group**, Treasurer (Vice Chairman), 1995-1997, Treasurer Elect 2008,

\*Certified Workers' Compensation Specialist

Board of Legal Specialization, State Bar of California

Treasurer 2008-2009, President 2009-2010 Past President, Winner President's award, twice.

Original Chair, WILG Longshore Section

Fellow, College of Workers Compensation Lawyers (Past Treasurer)

Fellow, National Academy of Social Insurance

Past Chair, S.F. Bay Maritime Claimant's Bar;

Past Chair, ATLA Workers' Compensation Section;

**Advisor, contributor, Benefits Review Board Report Lexis Nexis pub.**

**Advisor, Annual Longshore Conference, Loyola University School of Law, New Orleans, Louisiana**

**Founder and Director of WILG's Annual Longshore Claimant's Bar Seminar since 2006**

**Fellow, College of Workers Compensation Lawyers 2013-14 Treasurer**

**Rated AV Preeminent by Martindale Hubbell**

**Designated "Workers Compensation Notable Person 2009" Lexis Nexis**

**Interfaith Workers for Justice, National Board member**

**Lecturer, University of Hawaii Center for Labor and Education**

**Advisory Board, Loyola University New Orleans School of Law Maritime Journal**

**Chief Editor *the Longshore Textbook*, 6th ed. Lawyer and Judges Publishing;**

**Co Editor Longshore Textbook, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Two Children:**

**Andrew Moorman Birnbaum, b. 9/5/81,**

**Kelsey Moorman Birnbaum, b. 7/1/83**

Resides in Pt Richmond, California and Kaneohe, HI // Active in various civic organizations.

Marin Peace and Justice Coalition

Pt Richmond Neighborhood Council

Past member of the Mill Valley Drug and Alcohol Abuse Commission

Board Hawaii Injured Workers Alliance, through 2013

Board of Directors, (past president) Meiklejohn Civil Liberties Law Library, Berkeley, CA (1998-2008)

Past Board of Directors, Interfaith Workers for Justice (Chicago) presently

Past Board Member, Sustainable Harvest

Limits practice to Longshore and Harbor Workers' Act Claimants' cases in Western United States and Hawaii.

**Lecturer, Industrial Claims Assn.**

**Lecturer, Loyola University, New Orleans**

**Lecturer, Longshore Claims Association**

**Lecturer, ATLA National College of Advocacy**

**Lecturer, Northwest Longshore Administrators Association**

**Lecturer, California Applicants Attorneys Association,**

**Lecturer National Council of State Legislators**

**Lecturer, WILG annual CLE numerous times**

**Past Corporate Sponsor: King Biscuit Blues Festival, Helena, AR**

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Date: <b>June 5 /2017</b>	
To: <b>Jaime Ray</b>	Fax No: <b>(9256024178)</b>
From: <b>Law Office of Steven M. Birnbaum</b>	
Re: <b>[Application for seat on the Advisory Council on the Aging]</b>	
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**COMMENTS:**

Hi Jaime,  
Please accept these documents as my application and supporting information for the position on the Council.  
If anything more is needed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Steve Birnbaum**