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Office of the Mayor  
Gavin Buckley, Mayor  
160 Duke of Gloucester Street  
Annapolis, MD 21401-2517

September 21, 2018

To: Alderspersons, City of Annapolis

From: Mayor Gavin Buckley

Re: Planning Commission

Pending your approval, I would like to re-appoint **Robert Henry Waldman** to the **Planning Commission**.

Mr. Waldman's application and resume are attached.

**Robert Henry Waldman**  
1001 Poplar Ave.  
Annapolis, MD 21401

Sincerely,

Gavin Buckley  
Mayor

Reviewed by: Rules & City Government	
_____ Favorable	_____ Unfavorable
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Committee Chair	Date



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### Boards and Commissions Application

**Personal information**

Name Robert Henry Waldman  
Address 1001 Poplar Ave.  
City Annapolis ST MD Zip 21401  
Phones Home 410-268-5050 Other 410-703-6794  
E-mail rhwaldman@rhwaldman.com

**Statement of interest – Why should you be appointed to this board/commission?**

Planning Commission: over twenty years experience on the Commission; proven dedication to the principles of good planning; current Chairman; solid and productive relationship with department staff; ability to balance need for public information and contributions and applicants' rights to build on property.

Are you a resident of the City of Annapolis?  Yes  No

Are you an employee of the City of Annapolis?  Yes  No  
If yes, please state your job title, department & duties.

Do you do business with the City of Annapolis?  Yes  No  
If yes, please detail.

Are you currently serving on any city boards or commissions?  Yes  No  
If yes, please list board(s).

Planning Commission

**Work experience (titles and duties)**

See resume. Attorney since 1981. Small business in 1983-84. Community activism since 1976. Nonprofit arts organization, 1980s.

**Educational background (certificates, diplomas, degrees, seminars, etc)**

B.A., Columbia University. J.D. University of Maryland Law

**Other experience (volunteer experience, memberships etc)**

See resume.

**References**

Name James Burdick Phone 443-253-8129

Address 1719 Cedar Park Road, Annapolis, 21401

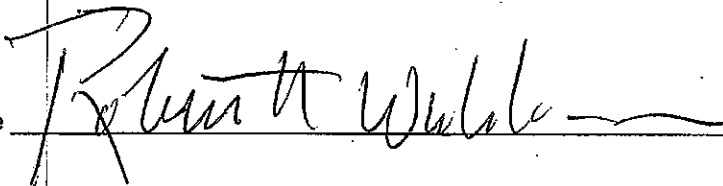
Name Susan Rensted Phone 410-903-9999

Address 4 N. Southwood, Annapolis, 21401

Name Susan Reimer Mihoces Phone 410-279-1347

Address 124 Woodlawn Ave., Annapolis, 21401

Appointees are subject to the provisions of the City of Annapolis Ethics Code, Annapolis City Code Chapter 2.08. Appointees are strongly encouraged to review this Code and contact the City of Annapolis Office of Law and/or City of Annapolis Ethics Commission with all inquiries.

Signature  Date 26 September 2018

E-mail electronically completed form to [constituents@annapolis.gov](mailto:constituents@annapolis.gov). Paper copies may be faxed to 410-216-8284 or mailed to the Mayor's Office address above, attention Boards and Commissions Coordinator.

## RESUME OF ROBERT HENRY WALDMAN

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### Education

University of Maryland School of Law: J.D. June 1981  
Columbia College of Columbia University: B.A. June 1969  
Major: Anthropology  
Minor: Philosophy

### Legal Experience

Private Practice of Law Aug. 2016 to present  
Semi-retired; continuing reduced docket of federal criminal cases.

Private Practice of Law Aug. 2000 to Aug. 2016

Law Office of Robert H. Waldman Nov. 2002 to present  
Solo practice of law including representation of indigent federal defendants through the United States Criminal Justice Act felony panel; this practice included a RICO trial through to verdict in January, 2003, a capital case through to verdict in April, 2004, a handgun possession case to mistrial by hung jury and retrial through to verdict, a murder trial in 2012, drug conspiracy trials, and numerous other cases resolved by plea; cocounsel to a death eligible codefendant in a MS-13 case Other areas of practice include family law as guardian ad litem for children, appointed attorney for allegedly disabled person in guardian petitions, divorce and custody matters, and mediation of custody and visitation issues through court appointments; also representing clients in contract disputes and state misdemeanor cases.

Law Office of Marvin Mandel, PC Aug. 2000 to Nov. 2002  
Associate attorney in general practice of law with emphasis on family, criminal and general civil issues. Practice before United States District Court, Court of Special Appeals, circuit and district courts. Mediation practice. Court-appointed attorney in various family law cases. Court-certified mediator in child custody and visitation issues. Court-appointed attorney in federal criminal cases.

Circuit Court Supervising Attorney Aug, 1999- November, 1999  
Office of the Public Defender, Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County  
Assigned major cases; advised, mentored, counseled; handled relations with bench and prosecutors; handled own case load of 30 to 50 cases.

Assistant Public Defender  
Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County Oct.1990-Nov. 1999  
Felony Trial: represented indigent persons charged with crimes; crimes ranged from Theft to Narcotics to Assault First Degree to Murder and everything in



motions, a master copy of which is held in Clerk's Office; required all parties to agree on something which was so novel as to be unheard of; agreement has saved countless thousands of pages of paper and hours of time; agreement accepted by appellate courts without need for formal change to rules of procedure. Suggested the same agreement upon arrival in Anne Arundel County and met with similar success.

Board, Community Law Center 1988-1990

Served on Board and was member of legal team in innovative suits vs. owners of abandoned properties, Baltimore; assisted in developing practical application of venerable but unused theory of nuisance tort law; filing of and threatened filing of scores of suits resulted in court developing streamlined procedures; many properties went to local community/development associations for renovation; others went to private resident/owners for renovation; others were demolished for safety.

Candidate for Baltimore City Council/ 5th Dist. Summer 1987

Filed in response to development which would threaten City arboretum and park; began with no campaign organization; in collaboration with graphic artist, designed campaign materials deemed highly effective and recognized by Baltimore *Sun*; endorsed by *Sun*; won in several wards of a large district.

Board, Baltimore Environmental Center 1988

Citizens for Cylburn Park 1987

Chairman, Md. Writers Council 1975-1986

Ran small nonprofit with one government-paid position; hosted poetry and fiction readings; published chapbooks; presented classes and workshops led by local writers; published, sold, designed, wrote, and distributed monthly newsprint paper with experimental bent; obtained tenancy in parish building with large hall; presented large performances and readings by local and national artists.

Co-counsel, Coalition Against the Cold Spring Dump 1982

Formed neighborhood resistance to destruction of mature urban forest for landfill; used novel techniques to get media coverage; involved state agencies; succeeded.

President, Derby Road Association 1982-1985

### Non-Legal Engagement

Owner-Operator Nov. 1981-May 1986  
Brown's Coffee Bar, 326 N. Charles St., Baltimore  
Ran small business with partner.

Loan Officer Dec. 1981-April 1982  
Sequoia S & L, Pikesville, Md.

Writer Sept. 1974-Present  
Feature, essay and investigative journalism

Administrator, non-profit corporation 1975-1978  
Maryland Writers Council, Inc.

Farmhand, Firefighter, Salesman, etc. 1971-1974

California, Canada, New England  
Union Organizer 1970-1971  
Local 1199, Drug & Hospital Workers  
Brooklyn, Queens and Long Island, N.Y.  
Merchant Seaman 1966-1970  
Sailed summers during college and year-  
round after graduation

### **Awards, Honors & Activities**

Death Penalty Defender of the Year, Office of the Public Defender 1996  
AmJur Award, Administrative Law June 1981  
Cunningham Award for Service June 1981  
Appellate Advocacy Competition Semifinalist Jan. 1980  
Moot Court Board June 1980-June 1981  
Editor, The Biweekly June 1980-June 1981  
Asper Clerkship to Hon. Charles Moylan,  
Court of Special Appeals Fall 1980  
AmJur Award, Criminal Law Dec. 1978

### **References**

Robert W. Biddle, Esq., Biddle & Nathans, LLC, Baltimore, Maryland, resident of Annapolis

James Burdick, Annapolis, member Severn River Commission, former President Admiral Heights  
Improvement Assoc.

Jon L. Arason, former Director, Dep. of Planning & Zoning, Annapolis, Maryland

Dr. Wilford Scott, former member of Planning Commission, Annapolis

Hon. Clayton Greene, Jr., Court of Appeals, State of Maryland