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**MURIEL BOWSER**  
MAYOR

SEP 24 2018  
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 2 of the Confirmation Act of 1978, effective March 3, 1979 (D.C. Law 2-142; D.C. Official Code § 1-523.01) and pursuant to Section 202 of the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability Establishment and Comprehensive Ethics Reform Amendment Act of 2011, effective April 27, 2012 (D.C. Law 19-124; D.C. Official Code § 1-1162.02), I am pleased to nominate the following individual:

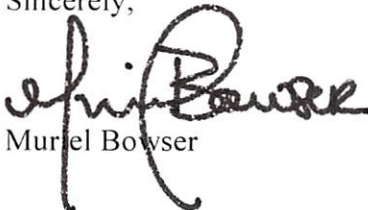
Mr. Darrin Sobin  
955 26th Street NW Apt 203  
Washington, DC 20037  
(Ward 2)


for reappointment as a member of the District of Columbia Board of Ethics and Government Accountability, for a term to end July 1, 2024.

Enclosed you will find biographical information detailing her experience, 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. Darrin Sobin as a member of the District of Columbia Board  
of Ethics and Government Accountability.

RESOLVED, BY THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, That this  
resolution may be cited as the “District of Columbia Board of Ethics and Government  
Accountability Darrin Sobin Confirmation Resolution of 2018”.

Sec. 2. The Council of the District of Columbia confirms the reappointment of:

Mr. Darrin Sobin  
955 26th Street NW Apt 203  
Washington, DC 20037  
(Ward 2)

as a member of the District of Columbia Board of Ethics and Government Accountability,  
established by Section 202 of the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability Establishment  
and Comprehensive Ethics Reform Amendment Act of 2011, effective April 27, 2012 (D.C. Law  
19-124; D.C. Official Code § 1-1162.02), for term to end July 1, 2024.

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.

Sec. 4. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

## DARRIN P. SOBIN

### Member District of Columbia Bar and Maryland Bar

Admitted: United States Supreme Court; United States District Court for the District of Columbia

**Legal Experience**  
**Jul. 2017-Present**      **D.C. BAR**  
Chief Programs Officer for the D.C. Bar (105,000 member, mandatory bar) with oversight of three departments: Regulation Counsel (Legal Ethics Committee, Attorney Client Arbitration, Client Security Fund, Lawyer Assistance Program and Practice Management), Continuing Legal Education Program, and Communities (formerly Sections). Management responsibility for fifty employees and an annual budget of 9.25 million dollars (FY 2017-18').

### **BOARD OF ETHICS AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**Dec. 2012-Jul. 2017**      Director of an Independent Agency of the District of Columbia Government. The Office is responsible for providing ethics training, binding advice and enforcement with respect to the District's ethics laws as applied to District government employees and all elected officials. The Office is also responsible for administering and enforcing Financial Disclosure Filing by District employees, as well as oversight of all D.C. registered lobbyists and lobbying activity.

### **OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

**Dec. 2003 - Dec. 2012**      Assistant Attorney General in the Legal Counsel Division handling Legal Ethics, Government Ethics, Public Safety and a variety of other issues arising from District of Columbia law and governance. Appointed as Government Ethics Counselor for the District Government and its 34,000 employees in April 2012.

### **DOVE TAYLOR & SOBIN, P.C.**

**VA**

**May 2002 - Dec. 2003**      Partner in a Real Estate/Real Property and general practice firm. Practice areas included legal ethics, contracts, subdivision approvals, zoning appeals, residential sales, acquisition development loans, title disputes and effects, title insurance issues, boundary disputes, roadway easements/rights of way.

### **BODE & GRENIER, LLP**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**

**Sept. 2000 - May 2002**      Litigation associate at a general litigation firm. Practice areas included legal ethics, commercial property, intellectual property (internet) law, international banking law and transactions, energy law and Civil Rights (wrongful death) litigation.

### **HON. JUNE L. GREEN - U.S. DISTRICT COURT**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**

**1995-2000**      Law Clerk to Judge June L. Green (deceased), United States District Court for the District of Columbia. Select cases included tobacco litigation, SEC actions, Clean Water Act, Fair Labor Standards Act and Sherman Act matters.

**OFFICE OF BAR COUNSEL**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**

**(Currently Office of Disciplinary Counsel)**

**1991-1995**

Conducted preliminary reviews of attorney misconduct under Bar Counsel Leonard H. Becker. Previously, law clerk to Elizabeth A. Herman, Deputy Bar Counsel (1991-92).

**Education**

**DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA SCHOOL OF LAW**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**

**J.D. 1992 – *cum laude***

Law Review; President Moot Court Association (1991-92); clinical programs included Family Law Clinic, Public Entitlements Clinic and the Housing and Consumer Clinic.

**GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY**

**WASHINGTON, D.C.**

**B.A. 1988 – Political Science**

**Other**

- **National Association of Attorneys General - Training and Research Institute**  
- Former Legal Ethics and Trial Advocacy Trainer.
- **National Association of Bar Executives – Member**
- **Council on Government Ethics Laws - Member**

**Publications:**

- **Ethics Manual, The Plain Language Guide to District Government Ethics (2014) –**  
*Darrin P. Sobin, Director of Government Ethics*
- **Taking the Stand: The Dawn of Ethics Reform in the District of Columbia**  
**Government, Washington Lawyer Magazine (April 2015) - Robert J. Spagnoletti and**  
*Darrin P. Sobin*
- **Civil Alternatives: How Ethics Boards Deter and Punish Corrupt**  
**Behavior, National Association of Attorneys General: Anti-Corruption Manual -**  
*Darrin P. Sobin (expected publication date December 2017)*

**References Available Upon Request**



Executive Office of the Mayor - Office of Talent and Appointments  
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## Darrin P. Sobin



Darrin P. Sobin is Chief Programs Officer for the District of Columbia Bar, and current member of the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability (BEGA).

Mr. Sobin joined the DC Bar with extensive experience in legal ethics, commercial and intellectual property law, international banking law, and wrongful death litigation. As DC's first Director of Government Ethics, he managed the day-to-day operations of the Office of Government Ethics, which, under the Board of Ethics and Government Accountability, has oversight and enforcement authority over nearly 34,000 DC government officials, including the Mayor and the DC Council. Mr. Sobin also served as a counselor of government ethics and legal ethics in the office of the DC Attorney General. He has clerked for Judge June L. Green of the US District Court, where he worked on cases involving tobacco litigation, SEC actions, the Clean Water Act, and the Fair Labor Standards Act. Mr. Sobin also has experience conducting preliminary reviews of attorney misconduct for the Office of Disciplinary Council for the District of Columbia.

A Ward 2 resident, Mr. Sobin received a Bachelor of Science from The George Washington University and a Juris Doctor degree from the University of the District of Columbia David A. Clarke School of Law.



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



Office of the General Counsel to the Mayor

**To:** Alana Intrieri, Steve Walker  
**From:** Betsy Cavendish  
**Date:** August 27, 2018  
**Subject:** Legal sufficiency review of Resolution nominating Tameka Collier, Darrin Sobin and Charles Nottingham to the District of Columbia Board of Ethics and Government Accountability.

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**This is to Certify** that this office has reviewed the above-referenced legislation and found it to be legally unobjectionable. If you have any questions in this regard, please do not hesitate to call me at 202-724-7681.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Elizabeth A. Cavendish'.

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Elizabeth Cavendish