

COLORADO CHILD PROTECTION OMBUDSMAN BOARD

NOTICE OF MEETING

Date of Notice: December 4, 2015

Date and Time of Meeting: December 10, 2015 at 9:00 AM

Notice of the Colorado Child Protection Ombudsman Board Meeting

You are hereby notified that the Colorado Child Protection Ombudsman Board will meet at the below date/time/place to discuss the below agenda items.

The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 10, 2015 at 9:00 AM, Conference 2B at the Ralph L. Carr Colorado Judicial Center, 1300 Broadway, Denver, Colorado 80202.

Background of the Colorado Child Protection Ombudsman Board

Pursuant to § 19-3.3-102(1), C.R.S. (2015), on or before January 1, 2016, the General Assembly established the Independent Office of the Child Protection Ombudsman, an independent agency housed within the Colorado Judicial Department. As part of this office, the legislation also established an independent, nonpartisan Child Protection Ombudsman Board (“Board”) consisting of at least 12 members based on appointments made by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the Governor, the President and Minority Leader of the Senate, and the Speaker and Minority Leader of the House of Representatives. §§ 19-3.3-102(2)(a), (b), C.R.S.

The Board’s membership was required to be appointed by August 31, 2015. § 19-3.3-102(2)(b), C.R.S. (2015). The current members of the Board are as follows:

Appointments by the Chief Justice

- Kenneth Plotz, Board Chair
- Charles Greenacre
- Pax Moultrie
- Simone Jones

Appointments by the Governor

- Joe Carrica
- Sarie Ates-Patterson
- George Kennedy
- Jose Mondragon

Appointment by the President of the Senate

- Victoria Black

Appointment by the Senate Minority Leader

- Peg Rudden

Appointment by the Speaker of the House

- Ginny Riley, Board Vice-Chair

Appointment by the Minority Leader of the House

- Vacant

The Board appointed Ms. Stephanie Villafuerte as the Child Protection Ombudsman. Ms. Villafuerte assumes duties on January 1, 2016.

Invitation for Public Comments

The Board welcomes the public to attend its meetings, and believes that receipt of public comment is important. The Board has adopted a policy that it will receive public comment from individuals at the beginning of its meetings for 30 minutes. Individuals interested in speaking may sign up at the beginning of the meeting. Individuals may not speak more than 3 minutes, and may not yield their time to another person.

Agenda

- I. Public Comment Period (30 minutes)
- II. Approval of the minutes from the November 20, 2015 meeting
- III. Appreciation of the other finalists who were not appointed as the Child Protection Ombudsman

- IV. Appreciation of the current Child Protection Ombudsman, Dennis Goodwin, and his staff
- V. Discussion of the vision and policy priorities of the Board
- VI. Meet and Greet with Stephanie Villafuerte, the Child Protection Ombudsman appointed by the Board
- VII. Discussion and update on office infrastructure issues in anticipation of January 4, 2016
- VIII. Discussion and update of the budget
- IX. Discussion of date and location for the out-of-town Board meeting
- X. Discussion of personnel rules and policies for the Ombudsman staff *
- XI. Adjourn

* A portion of this meeting may be conducted in Executive Session, depending on the votes of the Board, in order to protect attorney-client privileged information pursuant to § 24-6-402(3)(a)(II), C.R.S.

Meeting Materials

All documents and materials, except those subject to any applicable privileges or provisions of confidentiality under federal or state law, reviewed and considered by the Board may be requested under the Colorado Open Records Act.

Future Public Meetings

Regular Board meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at 9:00 AM, beginning December 10, 2015. The meetings will be held at the Ralph L. Carr Judicial Center at 1300 Broadway, Denver, Colorado, unless otherwise noticed.

The upcoming meeting schedule for 2016 is as follows:

January 14, 2016
February 11, 2016

March 10, 2016
April 14, 2016
May 12, 2016
June 9, 2016
June 14, 2016
August 11, 2016
September 8, 2016
October 13, 2016
November 10, 2016
December 8, 2016

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