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Sewerage & Water Board OF NEW ORLEANS

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SEWERAGE & WATER BOARD WELCOMES NEW BOARD

NEW ORLEANS -- On May 22, 2014, the New Orleans City Council reviewed and approved the eight Orleans Parish citizen nominees nominated by Mayor Mitch Landrieu to serve on the Board of Directors for the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans (S&WB). In addition, the Mayor appointed Wm. Ray Manning and Alan C. Arnold to serve on the new Board of Directors to the S&WB as syndicate members recommended by the Board of Liquidation, City Debt. The new board members began serving immediately. The first board meeting with members of this newly constituted board was held today.

According to New Orleans Mayor, Mitch Landrieu, "The nominees we put forward represent a cross-section of well-qualified citizens with relevant professional experience and backgrounds in consumer and community advocacy and the residents of New Orleans can be assured as this board leads us into the future."

The new board is composed of the Mayor, two syndicated members of the Board of Liquidation, City Debt, and eight citizen members appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the New Orleans City Council. Five citizen members will each represent one of the five New Orleans Council Districts. One citizen will serve as an At-Large representative and two members are consumer/community advocates. The names, representation, terms, and professional background of each member are as follows.

*Members of the Board: ALAN ARNOLD • ROBIN BARNES • MARION BRACY • TAMIKA DUPLESSIS • SCOTT JACOBS • KERRI KANE
MITCHELL J. LANDRIEU • WM. RAYMOND MANNING • MARK MOODY • JOSEPH PEYCHAUD • KIMBERLY THOMAS*
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Scott Jacobs (Council District A), 2 Year Term

Scott Jacobs has spent the last twenty-four years in the insurance and risk management industry. Since 2003, he has served as the Chief Administrative Officer of Strategic Comp, a division of Great American Insurance Group. He is also a former Executive Vice President at Hibernia Rosenthal Insurance (now HUB International). He is a graduate of Cornell University where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering and completed a Masters of Business Administration at Tulane University.

Robin Barnes (Council District B), 2 Year Term

Robin Barnes is the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer of Greater New Orleans, Inc., the regional economic development alliance serving the 10-parish region of Southeast Louisiana. There she oversaw administration of the Greater New Orleans Urban Water Plan, a resiliency study of St. Bernard Parish and the east banks of Orleans and Jefferson Parishes which provides a vision and implementation plan for addressing storm water, groundwater, and subsidence. She was also served on President Barack Obama's Hurricane Sandy Rebuilding Task Force as Senior Policy Advisory for Small Business and Economic Recovery. She is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and the Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service at New York University.

Kerri Kane, JD (Council District C), 3 Year Term

Kerri Kane is an attorney serving as Counsel at Irwin, Fritchie, Urquhart & Moore LLC since 2005. There, she has worked in areas of complex litigation, pharmaceutical defense, medical device litigation, and personal injury defense. She is a graduate of Louisiana State University with a Bachelor of Arts and Sciences and Loyola Law School where she served as the Substance and Citation Editor for the Loyola Maritime Law Journal. She was admitted to the Louisiana Bar in 2004. She has served on the Board of Directors to the S&WB since 2012.

Marion Bracy (Council District D), 4 Year Term

Marion Bracy is Vice President for Facility Planning and Management at Xavier University of Louisiana. Mr. Bracy has overseen the \$200 million restoration of the Xavier University campus after Hurricane Katrina and help increase FEMA funding participation from \$5 million to over \$100 million. He is a graduate of Dillard University and the Association of Physical Plant Administrators (APPA) Leadership Academy and has completed the curriculum of the APPA Institute for Facilities Management. He has served on the Board of Directors to the S&WB since 2011.

Mark Moody (Council District E), 1 Year Term

Mark Moody is Lead Engineer in the Rocket Propulsion Test Program Office at NASA's Stennis Space Center. His duties include providing guidance and technical expertise on NASA rocket propulsion test facility capabilities and utilization. He also serves as an Engineer Officer, Lieutenant Colonel in the United States Army Reserve. Since 2011, he has served on the Board of Liquidation, City Debt and on the Board of Directors to the S&WB.

Tamika Duplessis, Ph.D. (At-Large), 1 Year Term

Dr. Tamika Duplessis is Lead Chemistry Instructor at Delgado Community College, where she has taught since 2009. She is also a Collaborator/ Contributing Scientist with Xavier University of Louisiana College of Pharmacy where she does research on breast cancer. She is a graduate of Xavier University with a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry (cum laude) and received her Ph.D. in Molecular and Cellular Biology with concentration in Biochemical Mechanisms of Cancer Etiology from Tulane University.

Kimberly Thomas, JD (Consumer/Community Advocate), 4 Year Term

Kimberly Thomas is currently the CEO of KT Consultants, a small business consulting firm. She currently serves on the Advisory Board of Algiers Economic Development Association and is the Director of Team You Support Group, a nonprofit organization aimed at youth development. She is a graduate of Xavier University of Louisiana with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and received her Juris Doctorate from the Southern University Law Center.

Joseph Peychaud (Consumer/Community Advocate), 3 Year Term

Joseph Peychaud is a lifelong resident of New Orleans with over forty-eight years of continuous service as a community advocate and activist, educator, facilitator, and public and private sector administrator. Since 2011, he has served as President of St. Katharine Drexel Preparatory School (formerly Xavier University Preparatory) where he has overseen all operational components of the school including budget, plant and facilities, development, public relations, staffing, capital projects, parental involvement, and community outreach. He is also President of the Climana Neighborhood Association. He is a graduate of Xavier University of Louisiana with a Bachelor of Arts in Education/ Liberal Arts and the University of New Orleans with a Masters in Urban Studies.

Wm. Ray Manning (Board of Liquidation, City Debt Syndicated Member), 4 Year Term

Wm. Ray Manning is Founder and CEO of Manning Architects which has established a local and national reputation in architecture, interior design, urban design and planning. The core of his work has been the development, planning, and urban design of the City of New Orleans before and after Hurricane Katrina in 2005. He holds a Bachelor of Architecture from Southern University, a Master of Architecture from the University of Michigan Taubman College of Architecture and Planning all with Honors and continuing education in Design and Management at Harvard University and Dartmouth College. Ray is certified by the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards (NCARB), and is licensed to practice architecture in 14 states and the District of Columbia. His other credentials include Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Accreditation and membership in the National Organization of Minority Architects (NOMA). He is a member of the American Institute of Architects' College of Fellows. Since 2011, he has served on the Board of Liquidation, City Debt and on the Board of Directors to the S&WB. In November 2011, he was elected President Pro Tem of the S&WB.

Alan C. Arnold (Board of Liquidation, City Debt Syndicated Member), 4 Year Term

Alan C. Arnold is President of Midsouth Realty Management, Inc. and Arnold & Co. Inc. and former President of Howard, Weil, Labouisse, Friedrichs Inc. He is on the Board of Visitors for the Loyola Business School, serves on the Investment Committee of the Archdiocese of New Orleans and the Board of Christopher Homes and is a former Board member of the World Trade Center. He is past chairman of Partnerships in Education. Since 2008, he has served on the Board of Liquidation, City Debt and from 2009 to 2011 served on the Board of Directors to the S&WB. He holds a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Masters of Business Administration from Loyola University.

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