



MEMORANDUM

Prepared for: Oregon State Senate
Regarding: Review of Executive Appointments
Date: May 18, 2022

LPRO: LEGISLATIVE POLICY AND RESEARCH OFFICE

EMPLOYMENT APPEALS BOARD

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Employment Appeals Board, subject to Senate confirmation:¹

Appointees

New

Sarah Serres of Oregon City

Term

06-10-2022 – 06-09-2026

Reappointment

Angela Steger-Bentz of Beaverton

06-01-2022 – 05-31-2026

Statutory Authority

[ORS 657.685 \(2021\)](#).

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Composition³

The board consists of three members; no more than two may be affiliated with the same political party. (HETTLE (N/A), **SERRES** (R) and **STEGER-BENTZ** (D).)

The Governor is required to consider the interests of labor, industry, and the public when making appointments, and the Governor designates the board's chair. The chair may appoint pro tempore members to serve for a maximum of 90 days with the Governor's approval. A majority of the board constitutes a quorum.

¹ [Or. Const. art. III, §4](#); [ORS 171.562 and 171.565 \(2021\)](#).

² [ORS 244.050 \(2021\)](#).

³ [ORS 657.685 \(2021\)](#); and see [ORS 182.100 \(2021\)](#) for affirmative action policy and [ORS 236.115 \(2021\)](#) for diversity criteria.

Duties⁴

The board exists within the Employment Department to adjudicate appeals of decisions made by administrative law judges concerning eligibility for unemployment insurance benefits. The board must, upon receipt of a timely application for review, promptly affirm, modify, or set aside the decision of the administrative law judge and notify interested parties. The board may also:

- reconsider any previous decision of the board;
- hold sessions anyplace within the state; and
- administer oaths, and issue subpoenas for the production of persons and documents.

⁴ [ORS 657.275 to 659.690 \(2021\)](#).

Executive Appointments Board Roster

Employment Appeals Board

Agency: None
Authorization: ORS 657.685
Members: Min: 3 Max: 3
Term Length: 4 years Limit: 2
Senate confirmation required? Yes
Paid Position: Yes

Policy Area: Labor/Trades

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Current Appointments:

Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

Duncan P Hettle Non-Affiliated	Position Number: 2
Term(s): 02-17-2020 - 02-16-2024 02-17-2016 - 02-16-2020 06-01-2015 - 08-31-2015	

Sarah Serres Republican	Position Number: 1
Term(s): 06-10-2022 - 06-09-2026	

Angela M Steger-Bentz Democrat	Position Number: 3
Term(s): 06-01-2022 - 05-31-2026 05-14-2021 - 05-31-2022	

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