



MEMORANDUM

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

LPRO: LEGISLATIVE POLICY AND RESEARCH OFFICE

PUBLIC RECORDS ADVISORY COUNCIL

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Public Records Advisory Council, subject to Senate confirmation:¹

New Appointees

Emily Gothard of Aloha
Scott Stauffer of Milwaukie

Term

06-10-2022 – 06-09-2025
06-10-2022 – 06-09-2026

Statutory Authority

[ORS 192.481 \(2021\)](#).

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Composition³

The council consists of 14 members as listed below.

By appointment serving three-year terms:

- a representative of the news media in good standing with a professional journalism association (HARRIS);
- an additional representative of the news media (SUO);
- a representative of counties (JANZEN);
- a representative of the public sector workforce (**GOTHARD**); and
- a Representative appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives to serve as a nonvoting member (POWER).

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

² [ORS 244.050 \(2021\)](#).

³ [ORS 192.481 \(2021\)](#); and see [ORS 182.100 \(2021\)](#) for affirmative action policy and [ORS 236.115 \(2021\)](#) for diversity criteria.

By appointment serving four-year terms:

- an additional representative of the news media (KEARNS MOORE);
- a representative of cities (**STAUFFER**);
- a representative of special districts (LANDAUER);
- a member of the public (HERNANDEZ); and
- a Senator appointed by the President of the Senate to serve as a nonvoting member (THATCHER).

Ex officio:

- the Secretary of State or designee (WOON);
- the Attorney General or designee (KRON);
- the Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services or designee (CRAWFORD); and
- the Public Records Advocate (ALBERT).

The council elects a chair and vice chair to serve in those capacities for two years and they may be reelected. A majority of voting members constitutes a quorum and the council must meet at least once every six months.

Duties⁴

The council works with the Public Records Advocate and the State Archives Division within the Secretary of State's office to study and make recommendations concerning the advocate's role, as well as practices, procedures and fees associated with access to public records.

The council is responsible for:

- appointing a Public Records Advocate;
- periodically evaluating how public bodies process requests for public records;
- periodically examining practices in other jurisdictions;
- identifying issues with the application of laws governing access to public records that impact transparency in the conduct of the public's business;
- make recommendations to enhance transparency and facilitate access;
- make recommendations concerning the advocate's role; and
- report to the Governor and the Legislative Assembly every other year.

The council may:

- advocate for or against legislation concerning public records;
- prepare additional reports and studies at its discretion; and
- adopt rules governing the operations of advocate's office, including rules governing the facilitated dispute resolution process.

⁴ [ORS 192.461 to 192.483 \(2021\)](#); [ORS 192.843 \(2021\)](#); and Oregon Public Records Advocate, *Public Records Advisory Council*, <https://www.oregon.gov/pr/Pages/advisory-council.aspx> (last visited May 12, 2022).

Executive Appointments Board Roster

Public Records Advisory Council

Agency: Governor's Office
Authorization: ORS 192.481
Members: Min: 13 Max: 13
Term Length: 2 years Limit: 2
Senate confirmation required? Yes

Policy Area: Intergovernmental Relat

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Current Appointments:

Member Name and Address (Alphabetical)

Emily Gothard Public rep—ORS 192.481(2)(j)—Three years Term(s): 06-10-2022 - 06-09-2025	Position Number: 7
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Emily G Harris News media rep—ORS 192.481(2)(d)—Three years Term(s): 01-01-2021 - 12-31-2023 11-25-2019 - 09-30-2021	Position Number: 1
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Tony Hernandez Public rep—ORS 192.481(2)(j)—Four years Term(s): 01-01-2018 - 12-31-2021	Position Number: 8
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Tyler Janzen County rep—ORS 192.481(2)(g)—Three years Term(s): 03-01-2022 - 12-31-2024	Position Number: 5
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Shasta Kearns Moore Additional media rep—ORS 192.481(2)(e)—Four years Term(s): 01-01-2022 - 12-31-2025	Position Number: 2
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Mark J Landauer Special Districts rep—ORS 192.481(2)(h)—Four years Term(s): 01-01-2021 - 12-31-2024 10-01-2017 - 09-30-2021	Position Number: 6
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Scott Stauffer City rep—ORS 192.481(2)(f)—Four years Term(s): 06-10-2022 - 06-09-2026	Position Number: 4
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Steve Suo Additional media rep—ORS 192.481(2)(e)—Three years Term(s): 01-01-2021 - 12-30-2023 10-01-2017 - 09-30-2021	Position Number: 3
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Vacant Appointments:

Pos	Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
9	Ginger P McCall Public Records Advocate	Governor	03/31/2018	03/30/2022