

Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules and
Executive Appointments

DATE: May 20, 2024

BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst

RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



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COMMISSION ON HISPANIC AFFAIRS

The Governor has appointed the following individuals to the Commission on Hispanic Affairs subject to Senate confirmation.¹

New Appointees

Ozzie Gonzalez of Portland

Patricia Martinez of Salem

Terms

Gonzalez: June 5, 2024 – June 4, 2028

Martinez: June 5, 2024 – April 25, 2027

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 185.320 \(2023\)](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Composition³

The commission has 11 members, including:

- nine members appointed by the Governor (AYALA-JOHNSON, BUTLER, **GONZALEZ, MARTINEZ**, MINA, MORALES, MORAN, RIGGS, WOOD);
- one senator appointed by the President of the Senate (VACANT); and
- one representative appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives (VACANT).

All appointees must be Oregon residents and must represent Hispanic persons in Oregon. Governor appointees serve four-year terms; lawmakers serve two-year terms. Members elect a chair and vice-chair.

¹ [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4, ORS 171.562 and 171.565 \(2023\)](#).

² [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

³ [ORS 185.320 \(2021\)](#); [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

Duties⁴

The commission works for the implementation and establishment of economic, social, legal, and political equality for Hispanic persons in Oregon. The commission must:

- identify and research problem areas, monitor existing programs and legislation, and make recommendations to the Governor and the Legislative Assembly;
- maintain a liaison between the Hispanic community and government entities;
- encourage Hispanic representation on state boards and commissions; and
- meet at least annually in a joint meeting with other commissions to consider and act upon issues of mutual importance.

⁴ [ORS 185.310 to 185.330 \(2023\)](#).



Hispanic Affairs, Commission on

Agency: **Advocacy Commissions Office**

Authorization: **ORS 185.320**

Min Members: **11** Max Members: **11**

Term Length: **4** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Racial Justice & Equity**

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Current Appointments

Wood, Christina Position Number: 1	Term(s): 3/15/2024 - 3/14/2028 4/26/2023 - 3/14/2024
Martinez, Patricia Position Number: 2	Term(s): 6/5/2024 - 4/25/2027
Butler, Katya Position Number: 3	Term(s): 4/26/2023 - 4/25/2027
Mr Gonzalez, Osvaldo "Ozzie" Position Number: 4	Term(s): 6/5/2024 - 6/4/2028
Ayala-Johnson, Nancy Position Number: 5	Term(s): 10/5/2023 - 10/4/2027
Mina, Joanne Position Number: 6	Term(s): 10/5/2023 - 10/4/2027
Ms Riggs, Josefina N Position Number: 7	Term(s): 4/1/2022 - 3/31/2026 4/1/2019 - 3/31/2022
Mr Morales, Gustavo Position Number: 8	Term(s): 9/25/2020 - 9/24/2024 9/25/2017 - 9/24/2020
Moran, Melina Position Number: 9	Term(s): 3/1/2022 - 2/28/2026

Vacant Positions

Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
10	Ms Castillo Machu, Susan	Senate Republican Leader	1/11/1999	1/8/2001
10	Senator Girod, Fred F	Senate President		
10	Senator Shields, Chip	Senate Republican Leader		

Pos	Former Member	Appointed By	Term Begin	Term End
11	Representative Salinas, Andrea	House Speaker	2/6/2020	2/6/2022
11	Representative Harker, Chris	House Democrat Leader	7/27/2011	7/26/2013
11	Representative Alonso Leon, Teresa	House Speaker		