

# Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules  
Executive Appointments

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BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst

RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



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## MECHANICAL BOARD

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The Governor has appointed the following individual to the Mechanical Board subject to Senate confirmation:<sup>1</sup>

### Re-appointee

Walt Caudle of Woodburn

### Term

July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2026

### Statutory Authority

[ORS 455.140 and 455.144 \(2023\)](#).

### Statement of Economic Interest<sup>2</sup>

Not required.

### Composition<sup>3</sup>

The board consists of ten members, including:

- a plumbing industry representative (SCHEUERMANN);
- a sheet metal and air conditioner contractor (MILLER);
- a municipal mechanical inspector possessing the highest certification issued by the Department of Consumer and Business Services (FERGUSON);
- a heating, venting, and air conditioning contractor (HANSEN);
- a heating, venting, and air conditioning installer (FANNING);
- a sheet metal and air conditioner installer (FRAZIER);
- a natural gas company (or other utility) representative (DUELL);
- a building official (ZUK);
- a craftsperson with experience with heat and frost insulation (**CAUDLE**); and
- a member of the public who is not compensated by any interest represented on the board (LOUIE).

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<sup>1</sup> [Or. Const. art. III, §4; ORS 171.562 and 171.565 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>2</sup> [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

<sup>3</sup> [ORS 455.140 and 455.144 \(2023\); ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

Members serve four-year terms and are limited to two full terms. They may be removed for good cause, including three unexcused absences during any 12-month period. A majority of appointees constitutes a quorum and they must meet at least twice a year in consultation with the Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS).

### **Duties<sup>4</sup>**

The board assists the Director of DCBS with administration of the installation code for mechanical devices and equipment. Its duties include:

- consulting with DCBS on the adoption of uniform energy conservation standards and the Reach Code;
- advising DCBS on standards, qualifications, and training for building officials and inspectors;
- making certain findings, prior to DCBS rulemaking, concerning the Mechanical Specialty Code (Code);
- reviewing the Code and making recommendations; approving rules and Code changes; approving technical and scientific facts related to proposed materials, designs, or methods of construction; approving alternative regulatory options for emerging technologies;
- adjudicating appeals of Code violations, building official decisions, and municipal appeals board decisions, and imposing sanctions;
- consulting with DCBS regarding alternative permit and inspection programs, including a statewide permitting and inspection program for minor construction work; and
- selecting two members to serve on the Construction Industry Energy Board.

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<sup>4</sup> [ORS 455.030 to 455.895 \(2023\)](#).



## Mechanical Board

Agency: **Consumer & Business Services, Department of**

Authorization: **ORS 455.140**

Min Members: **10** Max Members: **10**

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

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Labor/Trades**

Board Admin: **Debra Woods**

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## Current Appointments

**Mr Scheuermann, Gerald "Jed" F**

Plumbing Industry

Position Number: **1**

Term(s): **7/2/2016 - 7/1/2020**

**7/2/2012 - 7/1/2016**

**Mr Miller, Christopher W**

Sheet Metal Contractor

Position Number: **2**

Term(s): **7/2/2016 - 7/1/2020**

**9/18/2013 - 7/1/2016**

**Mr Frazier, Derek C**

Sheet Metal Installer

Position Number: **3**

Term(s): **7/1/2016 - 6/30/2020**

**9/20/2012 - 6/30/2016**

**Mr Hansen, Carsten J**

HVAC Contractor

Position Number: **4**

Term(s): **12/13/2016 - 12/12/2020**

**12/13/2012 - 12/12/2016**

**Mr Fanning, Eric L**

HVAC Installer

Position Number: **5**

Term(s): **7/1/2021 - 6/30/2025**

**7/1/2017 - 6/30/2021**

**3/1/2014 - 6/30/2017**

**Duell, Kevin**

Natural Gas/Utility

Position Number: **6**

Term(s): **9/28/2022 - 6/30/2026**

**Mr Zuk, Theodore "Ted" J**

Building Official

Position Number: **7**

Term(s): **7/1/2022 - 6/30/2026**

**7/1/2018 - 6/30/2022**

**Ferguson, Kevin**

Municipal Mechanical Inspector

Position Number: **8**

Term(s): **2/16/2024 - 6/30/2027**

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**Louie, Edward**

Term(s):

**2/16/2024 - 6/30/2027**

Public Member

Position Number: **9**

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**Mr Caudle, Walter "Walt" R**

Term(s):

**7/1/2022 - 6/30/2026**

Heat & Frost Craftsperson

**7/1/2018 - 6/30/2022**

Position Number: **10**

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## Vacant Positions

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