

Application to Serve on the COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION

This is your application to serve as a Commissioner on the County of Los Angeles's 2020-2021 Citizens Redistricting Commission.

**Read the tips below
to make sure your
application is complete.**

Complete all fields listed on this application.
Incomplete information may disqualify applicants.

Make sure you have all the pages.
There are ten (10) total pages that make up this application, including this page. The pages are numbered in the bottom right corners.

Initial the top right corner of each page in the "Initial" box. This will make sure your application stays together.

Print clearly and legibly or type your application. Doing so will speed up processing time. Unclear handwriting may cause delays.

Completely fill out the entire application.
Incomplete applications may not meet the specified qualifications and could be eliminated.

Don't know if you're eligible to serve on the County's Redistricting Commission? Among other requirements, you must be a registered voter in Los Angeles County to serve on the Commission. See pages 3-4 for more details.

Questions? Learn more at LAVote.net.

This application must be received no later than Monday, August 31, 2020, at 5 p.m.
See page 10 for submittal instructions.

Dan

First Name

Woods

Last Name



Email



APPLICATION

1. Identification Information

Prefix: Mr.
First Name: Dan Middle Name: _____
Last Name: Woods Suffix: _____

2. Physical Address

Street Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Zip: _____ County: _____

In what Supervisorial District do you reside? Third

3. Mailing Address (If different than the address listed above)

Mailing Address/PO Box: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

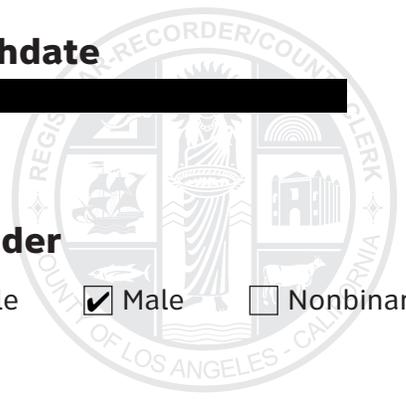
4. Contact Information

Preferred Phone: _____
Alternate Phone: _____
Best Time to Contact: _____
Email: _____

5. Birthdate

6. Gender

Female Male Nonbinary



7. Racial or Ethnic Background

Select all that apply

Latinx Group

- Cuban
- Mexican/Mexican American
- Puerto Rican
- Other Hispanic/Latinx Groups

Pacific Islander Group

- Guamanian or Chamorro
- Hawaiian
- Samoan
- Other Pacific Islander Group

Asian Group

- Asian Indian
- Cambodian
- Chinese
- Filipino
- Japanese
- Korean
- Laotian
- Vietnamese
- Other Asian Groups

Other Groups

- Aleut
- American Indian/Native American
- Black/African American
- Eskimo
- White
- Other Racial Group,
Please specify: _____

8. Language Proficiency

Please check all languages you which you are proficient.

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|---|-------------------------------------|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> English | <input type="checkbox"/> Farsi | <input type="checkbox"/> Khmer/
Cambodian | <input type="checkbox"/> Russian | <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnamese |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Armenian | <input type="checkbox"/> Gujarati | <input type="checkbox"/> Korean | <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bengali | <input type="checkbox"/> Hindi | <input type="checkbox"/> Mandarin | <input type="checkbox"/> Tagalog/Filipino | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Burmese | <input type="checkbox"/> Indonesian | <input type="checkbox"/> Mongolian | <input type="checkbox"/> Telugu | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cantonese | <input type="checkbox"/> Japanese | | <input type="checkbox"/> Thai | |

9. Political Party Affiliation

- | | | |
|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic | <input type="checkbox"/> Green | <input type="checkbox"/> No Party Preference
(Decline to State) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Republican | <input type="checkbox"/> Libertarian | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> American Independent | <input type="checkbox"/> Peace and Freedom | |

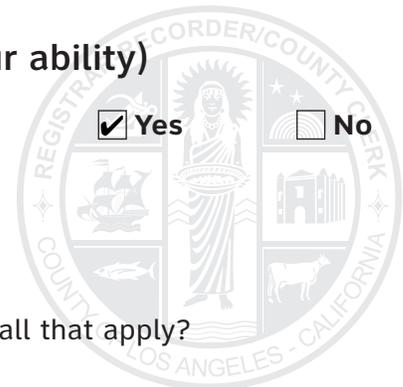
10. Eligibility Information (complete to the best of your ability)

a) Have you been continuously registered to vote in the County of Los Angeles with the same political party or unaffiliated with a political party and have not changed political party affiliation for five (5) or more years prior? (If unsure about current registration, go to **LAVote.net** for self look-up.)

Yes No

b) In which of the last three statewide elections have you voted, check all that apply?

- June 2018
- November 2018
- March 2020



11. Conflicts of Interest

a) Have you done any of the following within 10 years of submitting this application?

Been appointed to, elected to, or a candidate for office at the local, state, or federal level representing the County of Los Angeles, including as a member of the board? Yes No

Served as an employee of, or paid consultant for, an elected representative at the local, state, or federal level representing the County of Los Angeles? Yes No

Served as an employee of, or paid consultant for a candidate for office at the local, state, or federal level representing the County of Los Angeles? Yes No

Served as an officer, employee, or paid consultant of a political party or as an appointed member of a political party central committee? Yes No

Been a lobbyist registered with the State of California or a California local government? Yes No

b) Have any of your immediate family members¹ done any of the following within 10 years of the date you submit this application?

Been appointed to, elected to, or a candidate for office at the local, state, or federal level representing the County of Los Angeles, including as a member of the board? Yes No

Served as an employee of, or paid consultant for, an elected representative at the local, state, or federal level representing the County of Los Angeles? Yes No

Served as an employee of, or paid consultant for a candidate for office at the local, state, or federal level representing the County of Los Angeles? Yes No

Served as an officer, employee, or paid consultant of a political party or as an appointed member of a political party central committee? Yes No

Been a registered lobbyist with the State of California or a California local government? Yes No



1. "Immediate Family Member" means a spouse, child, in-law, parent, or sibling.

12. Qualifications

a) I possess experience demonstrating analytical skills relevant to the redistricting process and voting rights, described as follows (be specific and provide specific examples to the extent available):



You are encouraged to limit your response to one page, however if more space is needed, you may attach an additional page. If you have any additional documentation to support your qualification, it may be attached.

b) I am able to understand and apply applicable state and federal legal requirements dealing with redistricting and voting rights based on the following experience (be specific and provide specific examples to the extent available):



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c) I possess experience demonstrating impartiality, described as follows (be specific and provide specific examples to the extent available):



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d) I appreciate the diverse demographics and geography of the County of Los Angeles because of the following reasons (be specific and provide specific examples to the extent available):



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PRIVACY NOTIFICATION AND WAIVER

Disclaimer

Any commission member shall be ineligible for a period of five years beginning from the date of appointment to hold elective public office at the federal, state, county, or city level in California. A commission member shall be ineligible for a period of three years beginning from the date of appointment to hold appointive federal, state, or local public office, to serve as paid staff, or as a paid consultant to, the Board of Equalization, the Congress, the Legislature, or any individual legislator, or to register as a federal, state or local lobbyist in this state.

Legal Authority for Collection of Personal Information

The County of Los Angeles Citizens Redistricting Commission (CRC) and the regulations implementing the CRC require the selection of commissioners to be open to public scrutiny and free from the influence of the board and reasonably representative of the county's diversity (California Elections Code sections 21530-21535). The CRC requires the elections official to select 60 of the most qualified applicants based on their voter affiliation, eligibility to serve pursuant to the Elections Code; the absence of any conflicts of interest; relevant analytical skills; ability to be impartial; appreciate the county's diverse demographics and geography; and racial, ethnic, geographic, gender, and economic diversity. To determine each applicants identity and qualifications to serve on the CRC and to track demographic information of the applicant pool, the application seeks personal information about applicants that will be provided to the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk staff, the Auditor-Controller of the County of Los Angeles, the public, including members of the press.

Consequence of Not Providing All Requested Information

Failure to provide all of the requested information will result in your disqualification and the removal of your name from the applicant pool. Thus, if you want to be considered for membership on the CRC, it is mandatory to submit a response for each item of information requested.

Permission to Use and Release Personal Information

By submitting this application, you acknowledge that the application, all documents submitted in support of your application, are subject to the California Public Records Act and may be made available to the public, including, a Statement of Economic Interests (FPPC Form 700) if you are asked to submit one, letters of recommendation, materials generated as a result of any investigation of you, and all public comments and responses to public comment about your application are public records. You agree that the County of Los Angeles shall provide copies of these materials to members of the public and the press, members and staff of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, the Auditor-Controller of the County of Los Angeles, the CRC, and as otherwise compelled by law. You understand that members of the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk staff and the public may make public statements about you. You authorize the County of Los Angeles to use the information submitted by and about you as it deems necessary to select commissioners, replacement commissioners, or otherwise comply with its legal duties. You also authorize the County of Los Angeles, including the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to post all materials related to your application to serve on the CRC on its website and any website authorized by the County of Los Angeles.



PRIVACY NOTIFICATION AND WAIVER

Voluntary Waiver of Privacy Rights and County of Los Angeles's Liability

By applying to be a commissioner, you are waiving your privacy and other rights under various state and federal laws including, but not limited to, the Information Practices Act (Cal. Civil Code section 1798 et seq.), and any defamation, invasion of privacy, and negligence claim you may have against the County of Los Angeles and those acting on its behalf. Accordingly, by waiving your privacy rights, you are agreeing to permit the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk to release any and all information submitted by or about you, EXCEPT that the County of Los Angeles will not post on the Internet your date of birth; physical, mailing, and email addresses (excluding the city and supervisorial district); telephone numbers; the addresses and telephone numbers of your immediate family members; or any materials that the County of Los Angeles deems offensive. At this point in the process, the County of Los Angeles will not collect, and you should not voluntarily submit to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk, your social security number, driver's license number, financial account numbers, or health information. By submitting your application, you acknowledge and consent to the release of the information you and others are providing related to you and, except as specifically provided above, you are waiving your right to privacy regarding all information relating to you and your application to serve as a commissioner. This waiver authorizes the County of Los Angeles to make public information submitted by or about you for a period of 12 years from the date of your application, even if you are not selected as a commissioner. You are providing this waiver voluntarily, understanding that the County of Los Angeles shall not be legally liable as a result of the release of information submitted by or about you or as the result of comments made about you by others, and that the County of Los Angeles through the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk will post on its website or otherwise release publicly. This includes claims of defamation, invasion of privacy, negligence, and any other statutory or common law claims.

Declaration

I affirm, by placing my signature below, that the statements contained in this application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that I have read and understand the Privacy Notification and Waiver.

Dan Woods

Printed Name

[Redacted Signature]

Signature

Aug 23, 2020

Date

Return Options

Return your completed and signed application to the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk by Email or U.S. Mail.

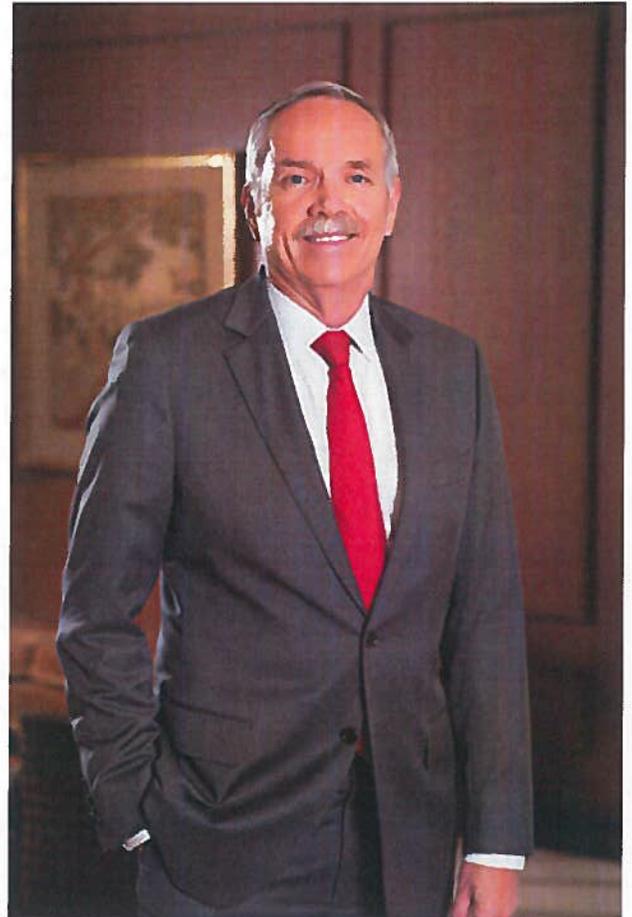
Email: CRC@rrcc.lacounty.gov

Mail: Attn: Citizens Redistricting Commission
12400 Imperial Highway, Norwalk, CA 90650



Daniel J. Woods

Partner | Los Angeles Office



PRACTICE GROUPS

- Litigation
- Labor & Employment
- Financial Institutions
- Business Litigation
- International Arbitration and Litigation
- Charter Schools
- Appellate

EDUCATION

University of Southern California, B.A., *cum laude*,
1974
University of Southern California School of Law,
J.D., 1977

PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

A partner in the Firm's Los Angeles office, Daniel J. Woods is one of the most accomplished and decorated litigators in Los Angeles, indeed, the entire country. The American Bar Association, California Bar Association, Inner City Law Center, Chambers USA and Los Angeles Daily Journal are just some of the publications and peer organizations which have honored Mr. Woods for his work.

Two recent cases highlight Mr. Woods' ability to obtain significant results on behalf of clients. He defeated a \$300 million antitrust claim brought by a prominent litigation firm and obtained a judgment for over \$2 million in defense fees and costs. The case involved an Indian yarn spinner filing a \$300 million Sherman Act Section 1 antitrust lawsuit against Mr. Woods' client, cotton-grower J.G. Boswell Company. In May 2018, Mr. Woods won the arbitration with the three-judge panel ruling in J.G. Boswell's favor on every point and also awarded it over \$2 million in fees and costs.

In *Dexter Street Limited Partnership v. Wells Fargo Bank*, Mr. Woods represented Wells Fargo in a commercial lease dispute. Dexter sought approximately \$8 million in this long-running case. Mr. Woods secured a unanimous jury verdict for Wells Fargo on three of Dexter's four specific claims and

while it found in favor of Dexter on the fourth claim, awarded it only \$1 in nominal damages, based on the suggestion to do so in Mr. Woods' closing argument.

His greatest and most well-known case came when he represented the Log Cabin Republicans in the well-publicized "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" trial which ended the United States Military's discriminatory policy towards the LGBTQ community. The trial took place in the Central District of California in July 2010 and Mr. Woods, on behalf of his client, won a judgment declaring the US military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" (DADT) policy to be unconstitutional and an injunction against further enforcement of the policy on due process and First Amendment grounds. Mr. Woods litigated the case over the course of seven years on a pro bono basis, and it was his truly tenacious efforts that even got the case to trial in the first place. Mr. Woods was in attendance when the President signed the official repeal of the policy. For this work, he won high praise from peers, military leaders, members of the LGBTQ community and a score of others.

Mr. Woods has been interviewed by and quoted in several publications, including the New York Times, the Los Angeles Times, Law360, the Los Angeles Daily Journal, the San Jose Mercury News, Benchmark Litigation, the BBC, several national radio stations and more. Over the course of Mr. Woods' career, he's been recognized by The American Lawyer, National Law Journal, the New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, the Los Angeles Times, The Recorder, The Guardian, the Washington Post, NPR, CNN, USA Today and several other publications for his work.

Mr. Woods' recent cases include:

- In *City of Los Angeles v. Charter Holdings*, The City of Los Angeles sued Charter Holdings, an affiliate of Wells Fargo Bank, for breach of a lease, in Los Angeles Superior Court. The dispute involved the City's claimed right to terminate its lease as to several floors in an office building several years early. The dispute had an estimated value of \$7.5 million. Following the completion of discovery and on the eve of trial in March 2016, after Mr. Woods filed a very persuasive trial brief, the City decided to abandon its claims. The City not only dismissed the case, it paid Wells Fargo Bank \$98,000 in attorneys' fees.
- Representing HdL Software, two other entities, and two individuals in a trade secret case brought by Portfolio Recovery Associates and MuniServices LLC. After winning several motions and even obtaining sanctions against opposing counsel, the plaintiffs agreed to dismiss the remainder of the case as the trial date approached.
- Winning an arbitration involving the purchase and sale of a \$30 million home in Beverly Hills, against Nile Miami, who is reportedly building a \$500 million spec home, with a 20,000-square foot master bedroom. In October of 2015, Mr. Woods won a judgment of \$4million plus attorney's fees and costs in an arbitration in Los Angeles.

In his spare time, Mr. Woods has authored many articles and has, for 20 years, authored the annual update to the California Continuing Education of the Bar's three-volume treatise, *California Civil Procedure During Trial*. Mr. Woods' publications include:

- Author, Annual Updates to California Trial Practice: Civil Procedure During Trial, California Continuing Education of the Bar, 1998 - 2016.
- Co-author, "Understanding the Repeal of Don't Ask Don't Tell," Aspatore Special Report, 2011.
- "Easy Cases Can Make Bad Law – Beldare-West Landscape and Discovery in California Wage and Hour Class Actions," California Litigation Report, July 2008.
- "Employers Prevail in Class Actions Challenging Overtime Pay Exemption Status," California Litigation Report, February 2007.
- "Enforceability of Covenants Not To Complete in California," December 2004.
- He has also been a community leader; a past President of the boards of directors of the Inner City Law Center, Uncommon Good, and the Los Angeles County Bar Foundation. He also volunteered as a judge pro tem in California state courts for 15 years.

RECOGNITION

Mr. Woods has received almost every honor in the legal industry, and has received some of these honors multiple times. The American Bar Association, California Bar Association, The Salvation Army and Inner City Law Center have all recognized and honored Mr. Woods for his work, his achievements and his ability to deliver one-of-a-kind results. Benchmark Litigation named him as one of the Top 100 Trial Lawyers in America.

Among the awards he has received, Mr. Woods was named one of the Top 100 Attorneys in California by the Los Angeles Daily Journal and San Francisco Daily Journal in 2011. In 2011, Mr. Woods was awarded the ABA's John Minor Wisdom Public Interest and Professionalism Award. He received a 2011 California Lawyer Attorney of the Year Award, and was named a 2010 Attorney of the Year by the Recorder. Mr. Woods was presented with the 2011 "Partner in Mission" award by The Salvation Army. The Log Cabin Republicans presented him with the "President Ronald Reagan Award" for 2011. Mr. Woods received the Katherine Krause Award presented by the Inner City Law Center for outstanding leadership and service to its clients, tenants in slum housing buildings, (2000), and was a recipient of the California State Bar President's Award for Pro Bono Service the same year. Mr. Woods has been selected to the 2016 Irish Legal 100, an annual compilation of the top 100 lawyers in the United States of Irish descent.

Among the publications that have recognized him, Mr. Woods has been recognized as a leading litigator by Chambers USA each year from 2006-2019. The 2019 Chambers USA highlighted that his clients felt "Dan has a presence in the Courtroom" and "is smart and articulate." Chambers USA has also noted Mr. Woods' clients appreciate his ability to accurately predict the outcome of a case and admire his confident trial skills. The Daily Journal recently recognized Mr. Woods in their Top Verdicts of 2018 Supplement for an Antitrust Verdict in the Central District. Mr. Woods has also been recognized as a California "Litigation Star" in Benchmark Litigation for 2010, 2011, 2014, 2016, 2018 and 2020 and named a "Super Lawyer" in the Southern California Super Lawyers Edition each year since 2004.

PUBLICATIONS

BUSINESS LITIGATION NOTE

- The Return of Broad Attorney Sanctions--California Code of Civil Procedure Section 128.5 02.18.2015

ARTICLE

- "Let's Make A Record: High Court On Trans Military Ban," Law360 02.08.2019

DECISION

- IV Solutions, Inc. v. Health Net of California, et al., Court of Appeal, Second District Opinion: B268816 04.26.2017

NEWS

- Partner Dan Woods presenting at the RCBA event "Historic Civil Liberties Matters in Riverside County History" on November 15th. 11.13.2019
- Congratulations to Partners Dan Woods and Adam Weg for being profiled in the Daily Journal's Top Verdicts of 2018! 02.20.2019
- Partner Dan Woods explains the "Supreme Court on Trans Military Ban" for Law360. 02.11.2019
- Congratulations to Partner Dan Woods... 10.04.2017
- Partner Dan Woods was quoted in the National Law Journal regarding the trans military ban. 08.08.2017
- Congratulations to partner Dan Woods for being Ranked in Chambers and Partners USA 2017 06.12.2017
- Congratulations to Partner Dan Woods for being selected to the 2016 Irish Legal 100 07.12.2016
- Partner Dan Woods has again been ranked by Chambers USA for California commercial litigation 06.01.2016
- Dan Woods is a featured speaker at a symposium on March 18th, hosted by Southwestern Law School, to mark the 50th anniversary of the Central District of California 02.24.2016
- Partner Dan Woods quoted in San Jose Mercury News about Charter School Dispute 02.03.2016
- Partner Dan Woods will be speaking on "Arbitration in 2016" at a Judicate West program at the Jonathan Club on January 28th 01.12.2016
- Partner Dan Woods quoted in the October 29, 2015 "Neutrals Supplement" to The Daily Journal 10.29.2015
- Partner Dan Woods is recognized as one of the Top 100 Trial Lawyers in America by Benchmark Litigation 10.02.2015
- Benchmark Litigation recognizes partner Dan Woods as one of the country's top 100 trial lawyers 09.11.2015
- Seventeen Attorneys Named Southern California Super Lawyers 01.23.2014

- Dan Woods Rated by Benchmark Litigation 12.11.2013
- Dan Woods Ranked by Chambers and Partners 05.30.2013
- Dan Woods to Speak at Law Day Event 04.15.2013
- Dan Woods To Speak at OUTLaw Dinner 04.02.2013
- Seventeen Attorneys Designated Super Lawyers or Rising Stars for 2013 02.20.2013
- Musick Peeler Profiled in Los Angeles Daily Journal 01.14.2013
- Dan Woods discusses "Don't Ask, Don't Tell -- One Year Later" 10.15.2012
- Dan Woods Interviewed 10.13.2012
- Dan Woods Heads Annual Awards Luncheon for Inner City Law Center 06.14.2012

EVENTS

- MUSICK PEELER ATTORNEYS SELECTED AS 2020 SUPER LAWYERS AND RISING STARS 6.26.2020
- Dan Woods Wins Court of Appeal Decision in Pro Bono Case 10.04.2019
- Dan Woods and Adam Weg obtain big win for client in \$300 million antitrust case 07.05.2019
- Chambers USA 2019 has once again ranked Partner, Dan Woods as a Leading Litigator of General Commercial Law in California 05.02.2019

ADMISSIONS & PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- State Bar of California
- United States District Court for the Northern, Eastern, Central and Southern Districts of California
- United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
- Federal Circuit
- United States Supreme Court
- Litigation Counsel of America, Fellow (2014)
- American Bar Foundation, Fellow
- Inner City Law Center, Board Member (1999-present) and Board President (2006-2012)
- Uncommon Good (2000 to present), Board Member
- Association of Business Trial Lawyers, Member