NEVADA SENATE SEAT- DISTRICT 11 INTEREST APPLICATION
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General Information

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Zip: 89113

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I certify to the following:

- [x] That I actually, as opposed to constructively, reside at the home address listed above, and that it resides WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES of Senate District 11;

  You can verify that you live within the boundaries of Senate District 11 by referring to the map on the legislative website at https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Division/Research/Districts/Reapp/2011/Final/Senate/SEN2011_District11_11x17.pdf, or by doing an address/elected official search on the Clark County website at http://gisgate.co.clark.nv.us/openweb/.

- [x] That I am registered as a member of the Democratic Party;

- [x] That I am at least 21 YEARS OLD and a QUALIFIED ELECTOR pursuant to Section 1 of Article 2 of the Constitution of the State of Nevada;

- [x] That, if I have ever been convicted of treason or a felony, my civil rights have been restored by a court of competent jurisdiction; and

  That I plan/do not plan/do not know if I will run for this position regardless of being selected. (Circle one.)

[Signature] 11/22/2018

Date

REQUIRED INFORMATION

Along with this application, please attach information regarding your background and education such as a letter of interest, a resume, or a statement of qualifications. (It should contain, at a minimum, political activities, community work, and memberships in various organizations.)

SUBMITTING APPLICATION

You may submit this document and the required information by NOON, November 26, 2018. You may email your completed application to Katie Walpole at Kathleen.Walpole@ClarkCountyNV.gov, or deliver the same in-person to the County Manager's Office, 6th Floor, Clark County Government Center, 500 South Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas.
November 22, 2018

Clark County Management
500 S. Grand Central Parkway
Las Vegas, NV 89155-1111

Dear Clark County Management and Staff:

I am enthusiastically submitting my application for appointment to the Nevada State Senate for the District 11 vacancy.

I have been a resident of the Las Vegas valley since I was three years old. Although I have moved around the country and world for a variety of pursuits, I returned to Las Vegas and completed my Master's in Political Science at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas in 2017. This year, I decided to search and commit to my first home purchase. After long and thoughtful consideration of where in the valley I would most like to call home, I found a perfect place in District 11 and am so excited about my new neighborhood.

Although I have studied and participated in the political world, I have never held public office. I do, however, have a profound appreciation for state government and its immediate implications on the statewide public. It is crucial that the legislative branch be a balancing power and equal part of state government, with vital functions of representing respective constituencies and passing salient and effective laws. It would be a great honor to learn from the seated members of the Senate to become a contributing force of Democratic influence in Nevada.

My undergraduate studies in political science and pre-law philosophy, as well as my graduate studies in comparative politics, have given me a strong and reliable intellectual and theoretical background to serve in this position. My first-hand professional experience as an advisor at a public university, my paralegal experience in bankruptcy law, and my political experience in D.C. as well as in town have given me valuable windows into our communities and in working with the public. Further, my extensive international experience has built within me levels of resourcefulness, cross-cultural understanding, and multi-dimensional perspective that I am so grateful for.

I am confident in the skills and abilities I have to offer, as I have intentionally spent my time pursuing efforts that I feel are productive contributions to the community. Aside from my skills, I know there is so much I would need to learn and be open to in order to be a valuable member of the legislature. I am so open to learning and growing and am excited at the prospect of being able to learn from the Nevada political community, and to be able to add to the diversity that represents the Silver State.

Serving the nearly 135 thousand residents of District 11 is a task I would take on seriously, respectfully, and responsibly. I appreciate your consideration of my application and the time being put in to filling this Senate seat. Thank you for your time and efforts.

Sincerely,

Lizbeth Arias
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EDUCATION

University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Master of Arts in Political Science
Thesis: Judicial Discretion in the European Union – Judges as Veto Players during the European Refugee Crisis
Las Vegas, NV, USA
9/2015 - 5/2017

University of Nevada, Las Vegas
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science
Minors: Chinese and philosophy pre-law
Las Vegas, NV, USA

Southwest University for Nationalities
Chinese language and political science
• Seven months studying government and politics in China as well as intensive Chinese language
Chengdu, Sichuan, China
1/2012 – 6/2012

University of Liverpool
International Leadership Training Program
• Summer European study tour: “World Citizenship: Building Leadership Skills in a Multicultural Society”
Liverpool, England, UK
Summer 2010

SKILLS

Fluent in Spanish, conversational in Mandarin Chinese
Skilled in Stata for statistical analyses
Strong intercultural and interpersonal communication skills
Cross-cultural competency and sensitivity
Strong familiarity with study abroad programs and organizational structures

AWARDS

Rotary Youth Leadership Award
Keith Sherin Global Leaders Scholarship
Harrah’s First-Generation Scholarship
Wells Fargo, NV First Generation Scholarship
UNLV International Programs Scholarship
Academic Competitiveness Grant
Student Support Services Grant
MGM Mirage Scholarship
Gov. Guinn Millennium Scholarship

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNLV Office of International Programs – Senior Education Abroad Advisor
8/2012 – present
Responsible for advising, assisting, and preparing undergraduate and graduate students pursuing international studies or research and advising on nationally competitive scholarships. Negotiating international health insurance contracts and implementing university health and legal standards for international activities.

Haines & Krieger, LLC – Paralegal & Loan Modification Liaison
Assisting Nevadans declare bankruptcy and prevent home foreclosures. This involves Chapter 13 case analysis, lender negotiations, and high client contact. Liaised between
attorneys, clients, lenders, bankruptcy trustees, and real estate representatives to facilitate process.

Collaborating with congressional committees and senior staff, conducting various legislative research projects, and working with Senator Reid’s Senate Democratic Diversity Initiative in attempts to diversify senate offices.

Working with constable offices, attorneys, and creditors to stop debtor wage garnishments, car repossessions, creditor harassment, and other urgent client issues.

Processing confidential financial transactions, detecting fraud, preventing monetary losses, selling services particular to individual client needs.

**PROFESSIONAL & ACADEMIC ENGAGEMENT**

- **Humanity in Action Diplomacy and Diversity Fellowship** 06/2016 – present
Senior fellow with published research within this collaborative, transatlantic program on international relations and global diversity. One of 24 fellows chosen from a 10-nation applicant pool. Program took place in Washington D.C., Berlin, Warsaw, and Athens.

- **Professional membership:** National Association of Foreign Student Advisors Conference participation:
  - NAFSA Regions I & XII Conference – Portland, OR  Nov 3-7, 2014
  - NAFSA Region XII Conference – San Diego, CA  Oct 26-30, 2015
  - NAFSA Region XII Conference – Sacramento, CA – Conference Presenter  Oct 23-26, 2017

- **Education Abroad Representative** – NAFSA Region XII, Nevada District 8/2015 – 7/2019
Responsible for informing the district of issues, updates, challenges, and successes of study and work abroad.

**PUBLIC SERVICE & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT**

Nevada Democratic Party – summer 2010
Field Organizer for 2010 Democratic coordinated campaign. This includes community outreach, canvassing, phone banking, and training volunteers.

Melanie Scheible District 9 State Senate Campaign 2018
Canvassing District 9 and assisting the candidate with various campaign needs.

**Aid for AIDS of Nevada**
Five years of organizing fundraiser groups in order to support and help fund AIDS research and treatments. Partnered with students, staff members, and local volunteers to raise over $2500.

Nathan Adelson Hospice - Camp Erin
Three years as a counselor for this bereavement camp designed for the assistance and emotional support of children ages five to twelve who are mourning the loss of a loved one.