

Nevada Assembly Seat – District 17 Interest Application

General Information

Applicant Name: Odis "Tyrone" Thompson (Tyrone Thompson)
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I certify to the following:

- That I actually, as opposed to constructively, reside at the home address listed above, and that it resides **WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES** of Assembly District 17;
- You can verify that you live within the boundaries of Assembly District 17 by referring to the map on the legislative website at, http://leg.state.nv.us/Division/Research/Districts/Reapp/2011/Final/Assembly/ASM2011_District17_11x17.pdf or by doing an address/elected officials search on the Clark County website at, <http://gisgate.co.clark.nv.us/openweb/>.*
- That I am registered as a member of the **DEMOCRATIC PARTY**;
- 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; and
- That if I have ever been convicted of treason or a felony, my civil rights have been restored by a court of competent jurisdiction.
- I plan/do not plan/do not know if I will run for this position regardless of being selected. (Circle one.)


Signature

April 5, 2013
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 to various organizations.)

SUBMITTING APPLICATION

You may submit this document and the required information **by 5:00 P.M., April 9, 2013** via email to Sabra Smith Newby, Director of Administrative Services at sabra@ClarkCountyNV.gov or deliver this application in person to the Administrative Services Department, 6th Floor, Clark County Government Center, 500 South Grand Central Parkway. *(This document becomes a public record once it has been received by Clark County.)*

April 5, 2013

Mr. Odis "Tyrone" Thompson
117 Fox Crossing Avenue
North Las Vegas, Nevada 89084

Clark County Board of Commissioners
500 South Grand Central Parkway
Las Vegas, Nevada 89155

Greetings Commissioners,

My name is Odis "Tyrone" Thompson, referred to as **Tyrone Thompson** all my youth and adult life. I am a proud native Southern Nevadan who grew up in the mature North Las Vegas neighborhood known as Valley View on Matheson Street. Currently, I have resided in Assembly District 17 (AD 17) for over 9 years. I am very familiar with the issues facing the city of North Las Vegas (AD17) to include budgets/fiscal accountability and stewardship, quality of performance and service delivery of municipal services, level of school performance, housing, homelessness, struggling families, economic development, etc. Also, there are vital bills and issues in the current Nevada State Legislative Session that desperately needs the voice of AD17 residents such as balancing the state budget, K-12 education, mining taxes, higher education, transportation, affordable health care, state worker furloughs-salary restoration, and economic development . This letter, the attached resume and personal snapshot outline my interest, professional experience, vital relationships and extensive community involvement to serve in the vacant Assembly District 17 seat. Please accept this as my official application.

Professional and Personal Qualifications

I am a fine product of the Clark County School District (CCSD) where I attended elementary, middle and high school. In 1985, I graduated from Valley High School Class and served as Student Body President. I received my Bachelor of Science in Criminal Justice from Northern Arizona University in Flagstaff, Arizona in 1989, and in 2000, earned my Masters of Arts in Organizational Management from the University of Phoenix, Las Vegas Campus. For over 23 years, I have developed a diverse public service background with a strong work ethic that would be beneficial for AD 17 with experience in the following areas: Welfare, Child Support Enforcement, Workforce Development, Commissioner and Constituent Services, Neighborhood Planning and Zoning, Neighborhood College facilitator; Manager of Parks and Community Services overseeing Gang Intervention, Safekey, Neighborhood Justice Center, Town and Liaison Services, Senior Advocate Program, and Volunteer Program; City of Las Vegas

Neighborhood Outreach Manager responsible for the EVOLVE Ex-Offender Reentry Program, Homeless Services and Neighborhood Liaisons; and currently, Regional Initiatives Coordinator leading homeless services coordination throughout Southern Nevada. Other key assets to my skill sets include being a well seasoned Facilitator, convener, critical thinker, trained mediator through the Neighborhood Justice Center, and having the innate ability to connect those in need to services, resources and/or partnerships. If appointed to the vacant seat, I would be able to utilize these skills to effectively assume the Health and Human Services, Transportation, and Ways and Means Committees assignments.

Healthy Relationships

I have established healthy, sustainable relationships with elected officials, community advocates, special interest groups, law enforcement, mental health services, welfare, CCSD, higher education, non profits, the faith based community, and businesses. I have also been mentored by some of our community's finest to include Former County and Assistant County Managers, faith leaders, elected officials, and family members. I am committed to continue to build key relationships to benefit the residents of AD 17.

Volunteerism and Community Engagement

My volunteer experience includes, but is not limited to, the Las Vegas METRO Chamber of Commerce by graduating from the Leadership Las Vegas Class of 2003 and serving as the curriculum co-chair and chair for the classes of 2011 and 2012, respectively. I also serve as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA for the past 15 years) as the voice for abused and neglected children in the foster care system. As a strong proponent of social justice issues and human rights, I have been actively involved in the National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ), the National Association for the Advancement for Colored People (NAACP), and the Dr. Martin Luther King Committee for King Week activities as well as serving as the parade announcer and judge. Spiritually, I am a dedicated member of the Sr. Usher Board and a Youth Usher Board Advisor at the Victory Missionary Baptist Church under the leadership of Dr. Robert E. Fowler Sr.

Ready to Serve

I am ready now to start the transition and "Turn on the Lights" of the AD 17 office in Carson City so residents can call, email or physically visit to voice their concerns/ideas and ask questions so I can be better equipped in representing their interests and stances on issues affecting the district and North Las Vegas as a whole. I am a quick study and highly adaptable so I look forward to the challenge and for getting up to speed on processes, bills and doing my homework. It's still not too late for AD 17 to have a voice and representation in

the 77th Session of the Nevada State Legislature. I'd like you to strongly consider me to serve in this capacity.

Thanks for your attention and consideration. I am open to meet with each of you personally to further discuss my genuine interest and qualifications. Feel free to reach me by phone at 702-561-7976 or via email at tyronethompsonnv@yahoo.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tyrone Thompson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Tyrone Thompson

ODIS “TYRONE” THOMPSON

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EDUCATION

MASTER OF ARTS IN ORGANIZATIONAL MANAGEMENT
University of Phoenix: Las Vegas, Nevada Campus

NOVEMBER 1998- MAY 2000

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE
Northern Arizona University: Flagstaff, Arizona

SEPTEMBER 1986- MAY 1989

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

REGIONAL INITIATIVES COORDINATOR

APRIL 2011 TO PRESENT

Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition

Provides management over supervisory, professional, and office support staff required to support functions for the Southern Nevada Regional Planning Coalition’s Committee on Homelessness and Committee on Youth. Oversees and provides for the selection, training, professional development, and discipline of staff either directly or through subordinate supervision. Coordinates and assists in the development of goals, objectives, policies, procedures, and work standards for the agency’s administrative and grant programs. Plans, oversees, and reviews and evaluates the work of major programmatic areas; directs and coordinates the work of staff to ensure program goals and objectives are achieved. Directs and participates in the personnel management, grants management, quality management, informational technology, and training needs of the organization. Prepares or reviews a variety of narrative and/or statistical reports, correspondence, policy papers, presentations, and other written materials. Prepares grant and alternative funding requests; monitors activities and ensures that all programmatic and reporting requirements are met (oversees approximately \$10m annual budget). Provides policy, procedures, and program analysis and makes recommendations for delivery of improvement for services and programs. Performs policy analysis related to contract development, program evaluation, project management, service delivery functions, quality improvement efforts. Provides program and technical consultation and facilitates work flow, develop contracts, and facilitate collaboration and the achievement of program objectives. Directs and participates in various committees and task forces. Oversees specified long and short term projects such as the annual Project Homeless Connect and the biennial Southern Nevada Homeless Census. Confers with inter- and intra-departmental managers regarding service provision and coordination; represents the organization in meetings with service providers and other public and private organizations; briefs elected officials and high ranking managers on pressing community issues, concerns, projects and initiatives. Makes vital decisions for the well-being and safety of citizens (i.e.: opening emergency shelter during inclement weather, etc.).

NEIGHBORHOOD PLANNING & INITIATIVES MANAGER

NOVEMBER 2006 TO MARCH 2011

City of Las Vegas Neighborhood Services

Responsible for the management of key initiatives adopted by the Mayor, City Council and community at large: Homeless, Youth, Seniors, Ex-Offenders, Faith Based, and Volunteers. Developed and maintained relationships with community partners to leverage services; monitored and evaluated the efficiency and effectiveness of the overall division’s service delivery methods and procedures; provided highly responsible and complex administrative support to senior management; Directed staff of Neighborhood Planners in neighborhood organizing efforts to develop and maintain stable and healthy neighborhoods; Implemented neighborhood programs and offer small grant opportunities to build self-sustaining neighborhoods; Developed and monitored division budget; Managed and participated in the development and implementation of goals, objectives, policies and priorities for programs and initiatives; developed policies and procedures to maximize efficiency; and modified division programs and initiatives, as appropriate.

Managed the EVOLVE Program to include grants management, evaluation, staff development, strategic planning and meeting goals through key performance indicators; assists ex offenders with job placement and accessing other essential

services such as housing, transportation, and substance abuse services to focus on reducing recidivism rates; continued monitoring and evaluation of the program to determine effectiveness. Developed policies and procedures for the EVOLVE program, Housing and Homeless Services Program, and Transportation Assistance Program. Implemented the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Rehousing Program (HPRP) and established a one stop shop center known as the Corridor of Hope Center (1581 North Main Street) where individuals and families can seek their housing, transportation and essential services needs. Responsible for the tracking, performance and expenditures of the \$2.1 million grant.

SOCIAL SERVICE MANAGER

JULY 2005 TO NOVEMBER 2006

Clark County Social Service

Served as CEO representative/program director responsible for the Ryan White Title I Program (\$4.1 million block grant) through HRSA which involved many conditions of grant award and Grantee responsibilities for service providers; Responsible for the writing and submission of federal, state and local grants to include the overall grants management; Organized homeless interventions with key agencies in the community; Administered the budgets for Special Populations Division programs to include budget development and revisions, reimbursement and draw down authorization, reallocations and advances; Assisted in the development of division and department policies and procedures to include the strategic planning and process improvement processes; Developed and managed department contracts; Procured services through RPF processes; Prepared documentation and reports for senior management and elected officials; Assisted in the development of key social service programs with senior management, management peers, and staff; and coordinated and provided training to all staff.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH MANAGER

MAY 2002 TO JULY 2005

Clark County Parks & Community Services

Managed, coordinated and directed staff and activities of multiple community outreach and community-based programs through subordinate supervision (SAFEKEY [Before and after school programs], Senior Advocate Program [Various programs for seniors with volunteer opportunities], Neighborhood Justice Center [An Alternative Dispute Resolution Program designed for "free" community utilization and School Peer Mediation Programs], Neighborhood Services [Various citizen engagement programs and projects] and Gang Intervention [A program designed to provide positive opportunities for gang involved youth/young adults ages 16-24 years old]); Provided supervision of a diverse group of professionals including eligibility and office support staff; Developed and implemented departmental processes, policies and procedures, administering the annual budget (exceeding \$5 million) for the division and ensuring the overall service effectiveness in area(s) of responsibility; Facilitated and implemented the strategic planning process and performance measures; Presented at Board of County Commissioner meetings; Briefed County Commissioners on various community outreach projects and residents' concerns; Reviewed and assisted in writing specific legislative proposals; Prepared narratives and statistical reports; Developed training programs and educational materials designed for engaged and productive citizen participation; Offered various citizen engagement programs through the Neighborhood Small Project Grants bi-annually to assist in enhancing and strengthening neighborhoods through resident empowerment, the Neighborhood College—a key citizen participation program to learn about government and civic duty, Town Halls, and Community Focus Groups; Oversaw the department's 300+ Volunteer Program; Managed various co-located sites for employees; and represented the department in meetings with elected officials, service providers and other public and private organizations.

NEIGHBORHOOD LIAISON (MANAGEMENT ANALYST II)

AUGUST 1998 TO MAY 2002

Clark County Neighborhood Services

Established connections with existing neighborhood organizations and associations; Worked directly for the Board of County Commissioners on ad-hoc projects and events; Developed external and internal partnerships in the community; Supported associations and neighborhood groups on special projects, neighborhood plans and events; Served as a liaison between citizens and government by notifying both parties of important events and meetings; Processed neighborhood complaints and facilitated resolution and feedback; Prepared and conducted presentations to community groups about neighborhood programs and strategic planning; Co-facilitated the Neighborhood College and developed curriculum; Served on design teams for neighborhood revitalization; Facilitated Town Advisory Board/Citizen Advisory Council visionary exercises and revisiting neighborhood master plans; Supervised support staff and Summer Business Institute student; researched and wrote "community building" grants; Acted as facilities manager for the Clark County Community Resource Center Campus; Developed and implemented the Neighborhood Youth College; and planned programs to generate citizen participation in improvement efforts within targeted neighborhoods.

EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING SUPERVISOR

SEPTEMBER 1989 TO AUGUST 1998

Nevada State Welfare, Charleston Office

Supervised a staff of 16 ranging from technical workers to support staff; Managed an annual budget exceeding \$800,000; Evaluated, trained and developed staff comprised of mainly probationary employees; Networked with various employers to hire clients; Collaborated with various government and non-government agencies on Welfare to Work issues; Acted as Social Welfare Manager in her absence managing a staff of 120; and analyzed needs of participants and offered necessary training for self-sufficiency; Assessed and referred parents to appropriate job leads for gainful employment; Created wide-ranged network base and community partners; Facilitated support groups and life skills classes; and Assessed clients needs while processing welfare entitlements and food stamps.

Developed and implemented the *Non Custodial Parent Employment and Training Project*, Nevada's first employment and training program for non-custodial parents (many were ex offenders, substance abusers, etc.) which was designed to serve as an alternative to jail for non-payment of child support and to offer employment and training opportunities while also fostering better relationships with their children; and, built program capacity through the development of community partnerships and resources. To date, this program still exists and has been replicated in various states.

REFERENCES

Available upon request

Snapshot of Tyrone Thompson

Community Involvement and Affiliations

Taste of NLV Planning Committee Member

NLV Steering Committee, Vice Chair, Government Affairs (2000-2002)

NLV Chamber of Commerce (representing Commissioner Yvonne Atkinson Gates)

Caucus of African Americans in Nevada (CAAN), member

Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC), co-chair

National Forum for Black Public Administrators (NFBPA), board member and Past President

American Society for Public Administration (ASPA), board member

Co-lead for F Street Reopening Project

City of Las Vegas Youth Neighborhood Partnership Program (YNAPP), board member

City of Las Vegas, Neighborhood Partnership Program, board member

Summer Business Institute Civic Engagement, trainer

Summer Business Institute Employer and Mentor

City of Las Vegas, Community Development Block Grant Recommending Board (CDRB), board member and Chairman

Safenight Steering Committee Coordinator in conjunction with the Metropolitan Police Department and various community partners

Neighborhood College, co-trainer...linking residents to government

Neighborhood Youth College, co-facilitator and curriculum co-chair, linking youth to government

Town Advisory Board and CAC Annual Training, Co-trainer

Housing Authority Resident Council Trainer

Neighborhood Associations Coordinator and Community Organizer

MLK Annual Pancake Breakfast and Peace Week Coordinator

District D Dialogues Facilitator

Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department Recruitment Council

NAACP Re-organizing Committee, Assistant Secretary

NAACP, member

DARE Community Board

Student Body President, Valley High School

Junior Class Vice President, Valley High School

Sophomore Class President, Valley High School

Boys State, 1984

Sun Youth Forum

Awards and Accolades

Dr. Martin Luther King Parade Judge, 2012-13

President Obama Volunteer Service Award from the Democratic Black Caucus, 2011

Salutatorian, Greater New Jerusalem Church, School of Ushering, 2011

Community Hero on the cover of United Way of Southern Nevada's publication, 2011

Warriorship Award, Guardian Quest Diversity Champion, 2007

Community Enrichment Award, Community Volunteer, from the Volunteer Center of Southern Nevada, 2006
Harwoods Public Schools participant, 2005
Clark County Manager of the Year nominee, 2004
Las Vegas Chamber of Commerce, Leadership Las Vegas graduate, 2003
Outstanding Community Volunteer Award (received from Parks and Community Services Director), 2003
NAACP Freedom Fund Banquet Award, 2003
Clark County Administrative Services Employee of the Month, September 2001
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Committee President's Award for Community Involvement Recipient, 2000
Distinguished Gentleman in Southern Nevada, 2000
Outstanding Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Award, 1998
President's Prize from NAU President Eugene Hughes, 1989