

Alan Noble Fernandes

Education

Juris Doctor, University of Pacific, McGeorge School of Law with a certificated Tax concentration; 2003.

B.A. in Political Science, University of California at Davis with emphasis in Public Law, and English minor; 1997.

Professional Experience

- **November 2015 – Present: Chief Executive Officer for the California State Association of Counties Finance Corporation** - Sacramento, CA. Top executive over all business affairs, enterprise activity, member services and corporate relations for all California counties, as well as many other public agencies in California. Specializing in business and economic development, including but not limited to, taxation, finance, investment, technology, housing, cannabis regulation, and both employee health care and consumer related programs. Responsible for the strategy and management of business objectives of the association and manage relations with investment and other finance service professionals and locally elected officials. Manages all office staff, including numerous outside consultants and business partnerships. Served on a national board of directors' organization with the CEOs of the National Governors Association, National League of Cities, U.S. Conference of Mayors, and National Association of Counties relating to business programs for the national associations.
- **February 2011 – October 2015: Chief Legislative Representative for Los Angeles County (Chief Executive Office)** - Sacramento, CA. Senior Manager in the Chief Executive Office of Los Angeles County, primarily responsible for all State Government Affairs for the largest local government in the Country. Specializing in government relations and advocacy before California's legislative and executive branches of government. Responsible for the strategy and management of state/county budget initiatives and impacts of legislative proposals, including dissolution of redevelopment and implementation of Affordable Care Act under direction of Dr. Mitch Katz. Managed entire Sacramento office, staff, and all outside contracted consultants.
- **October 2005 – January 2011: Associate Attorney**, Nielsen, Merksamer, Parrinello, Gross, & Leoni, LLP - Sacramento, CA. Attorney specializing in government relations, state and local tax, and advocacy efforts of public entity clients, including counties, cities, schools and special districts. Served as legal counsel to non-profit organizations and performed other business/corporate transactions for private sector clients. Provided strategic advice and counsel regarding financial planning based on state legislative and budget actions.
- **January 2002 – September 2005: Legislative Advocate**, Nielsen, Merksamer, Parrinello, Gross, & Leoni, LLP - Sacramento, CA. Professional specializing in government relations and advocacy for California state legislation and budget initiatives regarding health care, local government, employee relations, natural resources, public safety, telecommunications, and revenue and taxation issues for various clients. Developed client government affairs strategy and drafted legislation consistent with legislative strategy. Worked with clients and other outside contractors on communications strategies. Managed summer clerks, researchers and support staff.
- **September 2001 – December 2001: Judicial Extern for United States District Court Judge Frank C. Damrell Jr.**, Eastern District of California - Sacramento, CA. Drafted opinions and orders for various civil and criminal cases. Also researched and wrote judicial bench memos for pending 9th Circuit Court of Appeal cases.
- **December 1997 – August 2001: Law Clerk/Legislative Assistant**, Nielsen, Merksamer, Parrinello, Mueller, & Naylor, LLP - Sacramento, CA. Monitored California state legislation and budget items regarding various policy issues. Wrote memos to clients regarding legislative issues, drafted letters of support and opposition to legislators conveying client positions. Read all legislation and analyzed effects on firm clients. Performed legal research, and created, developed and programed law firm web page.
- **1997: Investment Accountant**, Barclays Global Investors - Sacramento, CA. Reviewed daily international financial transactions of various index funds and accounted for and analyzed fund performance.

- **1995-1997: Assistant to the United States Attorney**, Eastern District of California - Sacramento, CA. Performed legal research, data analysis, and aided trial preparation. Provided other office assistance to the U.S. Attorney on cases involving anti-terrorism and political corruption.
- **1993-1995: Assistant, California State Controller's Office** - Sacramento, CA. Assisted unit in conducting audits of various oil and gas companies, including fieldwork on politically sensitive matters.

Other Selected Activities, Memberships, & Honors

- Member, California State Bar (2005 – Present)
- Past President & Member of the Board of Education, Davis Joint Unified School District (May 2014 - Present)
- Pro Bono Attorney – Ninth Circuit Court of Appeal Pro Bono Program (2011 – Present)
- Board Member, California Coverage and Health Initiatives (2015 – Present)
- Mentor, University of California Entrepreneurial Academy (2018 – Present)
- City of Davis Redevelopment Agency Oversight Board (2012 – 2018)
- Board Member, Institute for Local Government: Cities, Counties, Schools (2013 – 2017)
- School Site Council, Birch Lane Elementary, Davis, CA (2010 – 2014)
- Member, Superintendent's Advisory Committee on Special Education, Davis, CA (2008-2014)
- Board Member, United States Bicycling Hall of Fame (2010 – 2011)
- Founding Board Member, California Bicycle Museum (2008 – 2010)
- Chairman & Commissioner, City of Davis Business & Economic Development Commission (2005-2008)
- Campaign Manager, Mayor Don Saylor, Mayor of the City of Davis (2007-2008)
- Coach, Christian Brothers High School Moot Court Team, Gordon D. Schaber Mock Trial and Moot Court Competition (2002 – 2007), Freshman Baseball Team (1996)
- Witkin Award for Excellence in Comparative Corporate Governance (2002)
- International Legal Studies Certificate - McGeorge School of Law Salzburg Program instructed by retired U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy (2002)
- Recipient of several scholarships for legal studies - McGeorge School of Law (1999 - 2002)
- Volunteer, Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) - Yolo County (1999 - 2000)
- "On the Spot" Award for trial preparation on political corruption case – U.S. Attorney's Office (1996)

Publications, Speeches & Presentations

Citizens Initiative: *Davis for High Quality and Safe Public Schools Act*: filed June 6, 2018, in circulation.

"SB 958 Helps Davis Teachers" – Opinion Editorial *The Davis Enterprise*, May 24, 2018

California Legislative Advocacy: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow; Speech before the Los Angeles County Management Council 8th Annual Manager's Breakfast – March 1, 2012

***Ethical Considerations of the Public Sector Lobbyist*, 41 McGeorge Law Review 183 (2009)**

Immigration, the Law, and California Community Colleges: Tools for Framing Trustee Discussion; California League of Community Colleges Annual Trustee Conference - May 1, 2009

"Lessons About Communiversity" – Opinion Editorial *The Davis Enterprise*, October 21, 2007

References [Please note specific contact information for the following references is available upon request.]

Senate President Pro Tempore Toni Atkins

Sachi Hamai, Chief Executive Officer for Los Angeles County

Steve Merksamer, Managing Partner Nielsen, Merksamer, Parrinello, Gross, & Leoni, LLP