

NEVADA SENATE SEAT- DISTRICT 11 INTEREST APPLICATION

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General Information

Applicant Name:

Home Address:

City:

Zip:

Mailing Address:

City:

Zip:

Cell Phone:

Best Daytime Contact Phone:

Email Address:

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 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/>.

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;

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

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 23, 2018

Dear County Commissioners,

It is with great pleasure, honor, and enthusiasm that I submit my application to represent the residents of Senate District 11 in the Nevada Legislature.

As an immigrant, I know that, with hard work, focus, and determination, anything is possible. I can be the voice of my family and of my community. Three decades after coming to the United States, I am committed to serve and represent the people of Senate District 11 in the Nevada Legislature.

My story is not unique to either Nevada or to my district – with 44% minority population, we are nearly a majority-minority district – and throughout my 14 years in the Silver State, I've learned our influence. In 2004, I moved to Nevada to organize a national convention of nationwide community advocates. I didn't plan to stay in Las Vegas, but, after organizing the largest turn out in the convention's history, I realized that difference I could make by providing a voice for Nevada's burgeoning Asian Pacific Islander American (APIA) community - a community I know, respect, and believe in.

Almost a decade ago, I founded a mentorship program for Southern Nevada college students to close the gap between their education and the workforce. Today, I am proud to say that our leadership pipeline is stronger than ever. These mentored leaders will transform our state and our economy for the better. This program will serve as a blueprint for my work in Carson City to ensure that we are laser focused on developing similar pipelines to positively impact and uplift generations to come.

Most recently, this past June, I founded One APIA Nevada, a grassroots, non-profit organization that advocates for policies to empower everyday APIA Nevadans. As executive director, I oversee a state-wide operation to educate and galvanize the APIA Nevadan constituency - every year, not just election cycles. This cycle, after months of civic engagement and education, we saw APIA voter turnout soar - up 216% from 2014's midterm elections in early voting - as they backed statewide Democratic candidates by two thirds to one - a key component of Democratic victories in Nevada.

There is no stereotypical Nevadan. We are a community of diverse ethnicities, religions, and languages. We are a community that is at our strongest when we are united, not divided. Over the years, I have served on numerous boards and committees to represent the diversity of our state - African Americans, Latinos, APIA, LGBTQ - and to address the disparities within our health care, economic development, and immigration systems.

Whether I am working with the private sector or the non-profit sector, my commitment is always with our community. Senator and Attorney General-elect Aaron Ford leaves behind an incredible legacy. His leadership and investment in our District allowed us to flourish. I pledge to honor his legacy and represent all of the diverse voices and continue to serve as

a champion for working people, businesses, students, and for the future of our state. The voice of my grandmother echoes in my ears: life is about service to and creating opportunities for others.

I hope you will allow me to honor her legacy and serve the great people of Senate District 11.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Duy Nguyen', followed by a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Duy Nguyen

ABOUT DUY NGUYEN

Duy Nguyen, in the aftermath of the 2016 political climate, pivoted his career from working with Fortune 500 companies - including Verizon Wireless, MGM Resorts International, and Cox Communications - to focus on investment, education, and engagement of Asian Pacific Islander Americans (APIA).

Nguyen harnessed his business knowledge for his current role as Vice President & Chief Operating Officer for the Asian Community Development Council (ACDC), a Nevada non-profit and non-partisan community development organization serving the Asian and Pacific Islanders communities. At ACDC, Nguyen maps the overall strategic direction for outreach initiatives on civic engagement, health and wellness education, and workforce/leadership development programs.

In June of 2018, Nguyen founded One APIA Nevada, a grassroots, non-profit organization that advocates for policies empowering everyday Asian Pacific Islander Nevadans. As executive director, Nguyen oversees a state-wide operation to educate and galvanize the APIA Nevadan constituency - every year, not just election cycles.

In this dual role, Nguyen helped orchestrate APIA engagement and education and voter registration drives in the lead up to the 2018 Midterm elections, which saw APIA voter turnout soar - up 216% from 2014's midterm elections - as they backed state-wide Democratic candidates by two thirds to one - a key component of Democratic victories in a highly competitive state. ACDC registered over 14,000 Nevadans in the lead up to 2018.

Nguyen served 8 years as National Vice President of Chapter Development, National Vice President of Economic Development and then subsequently National Secretary of OCA National, a civil rights and education organization for Asian Pacific Americans with over 100 chapters and affiliates across the United States. Nguyen co-chair the 2005, and 2012 National Conventions for OCA, bringing thousands from across the country to Nevada. In 2017, he accepted the interim appointment of serving as Executive Director for the Gay & Lesbian Chamber of Commerce of Nevada. Most recently, Nguyen was elected to serve as the chairperson for the Nevada Minority Health and Equity Coalition, a statewide non-profit membership coalition with over 60+ organizations aiming to reduce healthcare disparities across Nevada.

Since arriving in Las Vegas in 2004, Nguyen served as member of the Clark County Business Development Advisory Council, Clark County Community Development Advisory Committee, University of Nevada Las Vegas Diversity Commission, Colleges of Southern Nevada Business Advisory Council, Executive Committee Member of the Water Conservation Coalition, Nevada System of Higher Education Chancellor's Advisory Board of Inclusive Excellence, Chancellor's Diversity Roundtable, Arizona

College Advisory Board, Urban Chamber of Commerce Gala Committee, and The Gathering Place Board of Directors.

In 2011, Nguyen graduated from the prestigious America's Leaders of Change program by the National Urban Fellows, an invitation-only leadership program with 50+ executives in private, public and non-profit sectors across the United States designed to address the challenges and opportunities facing our nation today. Nguyen holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Management, and a Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) from the University of Phoenix. Mr. Nguyen resides in Las Vegas, Nevada with his wife and son.