

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF FREEHOLDERS
COUNTY OF ESSEX**

#4

RESOLUTION NO. _____ **AUTHORITY FOR RESOLUTION:** N.J.S.A. 40:41A-38(d)

PROPOSED BY: COUNTY EXECUTIVE **AUTHORITY FOR ACTION:** N.J.S.A. 40:41A-36(a)

SUBJECT: Advice and Consent - Nomination for the appointment of Nicole C. Graves-Watson to the Local Advisory Committee on Alcohol & Drug Abuse

WHEREAS, Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr. Essex County Executive, offers the nomination of Nicole C. Graves-Watson for appointment as a member for the Local Advisory Committee on Alcohol & Drug Abuse effective immediately to fill a term that would extend through December 31, 2015 now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, by the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Essex as follows:

1. That the Board, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:41A-38(d), hereby approved and gives its advice and consent to the appointment of Nicole C. Graves-Watson as a member of the Local Advisory Committee on Alcohol & Drug Abuse, effective immediately through December 31, 2015.
2. That the Clerk of the Board shall forward one (1) certified copy of this resolution to the Offices of the Chief of Staff, the County Administrator, Public Information, and to the Local Advisory Committee on Alcohol & Drug Abuse and Nicole C. Graves-Watson.

I hereby authorize the submission of the above named nominee to said board and term.


Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr. Essex County Executive

Approved as to form and legality Courtney Crescimo Date 1/26/15
FR James Stagnelli
 ESSEX COUNTY COUNSEL

RECORD OF VOTE (X=Vote N.V.=Abstention ABS=Absent)

Moved By Freeholder _____
 Second by Freeholder _____

Freeholder	Yes	No	N.V.	ABS	Freeholder	Yes	No	N.V.	ABS
Bobadilla					Richardson				
Gill, V.P.					Sebold				
Johnson					Timberlake, Pres.				
Jones					Toro				
Luciano									

It is hereby certified that the foregoing Resolution was () adopted () defeated () tabled by roll call vote at a _____ meeting of the Board of Chosen Freeholders of the County of Essex, New Jersey held on _____.

Is Publication Required () Yes () No

Date Published _____

 Britnee N. Timberlake, President

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 BOARD OF
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Nomination of Nicole C. Graves-Watson – (LACADA)

February 4, 2015
Meeting Back-up
Documentation For
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[REDACTED] Hillside,
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Nicole C. Graves - Watson

Objective To provide awareness of the Essex County Prosecutor's Office to Essex County residents

Experience

Essex County Prosecutor's Office 4/2007- present
Newark, NJ **Community Relations Specialist**

- Promote awareness about the role and function of the Essex County Prosecutor's Office
- Serve as a liaison between law enforcement and the residents of Essex County
- Responsible for creating and implementing community outreach efforts
- Serve as the Essex County Prosecutor's representative at community events
- Writer/Editor of office and community circulated newsletter
- Responsible for the planning and operation of the high school summer youth internship program
- Coordinate and plan conferences and town hall style meetings
- Provide workshops on public safety issues to Essex County residents
- Collaborate with representatives of neighboring colleges and universities to introduce at risk high school students to higher education opportunities

Significant Accomplishments

- Created and implemented anti-bullying workshops for elementary school students, teachers, parents and community leaders

Court Appointed Special Advocates 9/2004-4/2007

Newark, NJ **Case Supervisor**

- Reviewed DYFS cases involving children in foster care
- Developed and prepared professional reports for family court judges summarizing progress on individual cases and recommendations
- Interviewed, screened and supervised 30 volunteers

Significant Accomplishment

- Developed the organization's quarterly newsletter including, writing and editing articles on time and within budget

Division of Youth & Family Services 8/1999-1/2004

Elizabeth, NJ / Edison, NJ **Family Service Specialist II**

- Investigated allegations of child abuse and neglect
- Provided caseload management to 70 children and their families
- Prepared professional reports for family court judges summarizing progress on individual cases

Black Enterprise Magazine 1997-2004 NY, NY

Freelance Business Writer

- Selected as 1 of 5 summer interns based on writing ability. Magazine requested me to remain as a freelance writer following graduation.
- Wrote feature-length articles covering careers, time-management and personal finances
- Article chosen to represent the magazine at the 1998 Annual New York Association of Black Journalists Award Competition

Fashion Market Magazine 3/1999-10/1999 NY, NY

Staff Writer

- Wrote articles involving the fashion industry
- Wrote real estate and business news articles
- Selected to represent the company at various trade shows
- Was responsible for editing and proofreading articles

Dow Jones Newspaper Fund 5/96-8/96 Princeton, NJ

Business Reporting Intern

- Selected as the sole intern from New Jersey to participate in the summer internship program
- Received training to understand financial statements and effectively write business stories
- Assigned to work on the business news desk at The Star-Ledger Newspaper following the intensive training
- Wrote business feature stories and executive update columns at The Star-Ledger Newspaper

Education

William Paterson University Wayne, NJ
Bachelor of Arts in Communication May 1998

Awards

Winner for Best Feature Article presented by the New York Association of Black Journalists 1998
Who's Who Among Students in Colleges and Universities 1998
William Paterson College Academic Excellence Award 1997, 1996, 1995
Dow Jones Newspaper Fund Scholarship recipient 1997

Professional Memberships

Board member, Alcohol, Drug Abuse Prevention Team (ADAPT)
Board member, Local Advisory Board of Alcohol & Drug Abuse for Essex County (LACADA)
Member of the New Jersey Association of School Resource Officers

Skills

Proficient in Microsoft Word, Windows Applications, Word Perfect, Internet, PowerPoint