

Departmental Concurrence

**SUBMITTAL TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
 COUNTY OF RIVERSIDE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

923



**FROM:** Human Resources Department

**SUBMITTAL DATE:**  
**March 2, 2016**

**SUBJECT:** Appointment of Behavioral Health Director and Public Guardian [District- ALL] [Total Cost - \$0] [SOURCE OF FUNDS - N/A]

**RECOMMENDED MOTION:** That the Board of Supervisors:

1. That the Board of Supervisors formally approve the appointment of Steven Steinberg as the Riverside County Behavioral Health Director and Public Guardian.

**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary**

The Human Resources Department along with the advisory services of Ralph Andersen & Associates, Executive Search and Consulting firm conducted a nationwide recruitment search for the replacement of Jerry Wengerd, Behavioral Health Director and Public Guardian. After a thorough screening process of all applicants, including input from the Behavioral Health Commission, Steven Steinberg demonstrated the necessary requirements for the position of Behavioral Health Director in accordance with the California Code of Regulations, 9 CCR 620. Furthermore, Section 2.28.010 of the County Code provides that "the Mental Health Director of the County shall be ex officio the Public Guardian".

*[Signature]*

Michael T. Stock  
 Asst. County Executive Officer/  
 Human Resources Director

FINANCIAL DATA	Current Fiscal Year:	Next Fiscal Year:	Total Cost:	Ongoing Cost:	POLICY/CONSENT (per Exec. Office)
COST	\$	\$	\$	\$	Consent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Policy <input type="checkbox"/>
NET COUNTY COST	\$	\$	\$	\$	

**SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

**Budget Adjustment:**

For Fiscal Year: 2013/14

**C.E.O. RECOMMENDATION:**

APPROVE

BY:

*[Signature: Lani Sioson]*  
 Lani Sioson

**County Executive Office Signature**

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

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Agenda Number:

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**BACKGROUND:**

**Summary (continued)**

In June 1984 the Department of Mental Health and the Office of Public Guardian were consolidated and John Ryan served as Director of the combined department.

On April 19, 2005, Agenda Item 3.33, the Board appointed Jerry Wengerd as Mental Health Director and Public Guardian, effective May 12, 2005.

The official appointment date for Steven Steinberg as Behavioral Health Director and Public Guardian should be reflected as February 18, 2016.

Mr. Steinberg has been a dedicated employee of the County of Riverside for over 25 years and has most recently served in the position of Assistant Mental Health Director since June 2012.

**Impact on Residents and Businesses**

There is no impact on residents and businesses.