



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
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THE GOVERNOR

MEMBER OF THE PHILADELPHIA SCHOOL REFORM COMMISSION

June 16, 2011

To the Honorable, the Senate  
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania:

In conformity with law, I have the honor hereby to nominate for the advice and consent of the Senate, Pedro A. Ramos, 921 N. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Philadelphia 19123, Philadelphia County, First Senatorial District, for appointment as a member of the Philadelphia School Reform Commission, to serve until January 18, 2014, and until his successor is appointed and qualified, vice The Honorable David F. Girard-diCarlo, Philadelphia, resigned.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Corbett".

TOM CORBETT  
Governor

**PEDRO A. RAMOS**, 46, has held senior positions in government, higher education and law in Philadelphia, and has been active in civic affairs, including service as the president of the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia. Through his diverse professional and civic work, he has earned a reputation for excellence, integrity and working with diverse stakeholders.

He is a graduate of the Philadelphia public school system and his daughters also attended the city's public schools.

From December 1995 to December 2001, Mr. Ramos served on the Board of Education of the School District of Philadelphia. His colleagues elected Mr. Ramos vice-president in 1996, 1997, and 1998; and elected him president in 1999 and 2000. He was the youngest person to serve in those roles, and the first Latino to serve as an officer of the Board. During his tenure on the Board, the Board instituted universal, full-day Kindergarten, implemented new academic standards, expanded student and staff assessments, and approved the first cohort of charter schools ever in the City of Philadelphia.

He was a negotiator and a spokesperson for the School District during landmark labor negotiations with the teachers' union in 2000. Mr. Ramos was also one of the City's negotiators with the offices of Governors Ridge and Schweiker regarding school funding and the forging of a new state-city partnership structure with increased school funding, greater management flexibility, and a diverse provider model for educational services. He also co-chaired the Education Committee of the Transition Team for newly elected Governor Rendell in 2003.

Mr. Ramos served as chief of staff to University of Pennsylvania President Dr. Judith Rodin from January 2002 to March 2004. Mr. Ramos advised the president and represented her on the full spectrum of internal and external matters, including supporting the standing Trustee Committee on Neighborhood Initiatives, the ad hoc Committee on Diversity, and the Social Investment Subcommittee of the Investment Committee. Mr. Ramos chaired the working group of vice presidents with responsibility for implementing the President's Neighborhood Initiatives agenda, a hallmark of President Rodin's administration.

Mr. Ramos joined Philadelphia government in March 2004, and served first as City Solicitor and then Managing Director, the two most senior non-elected positions in City government. As City Solicitor, Mr. Ramos was the chief legal counsel for the City, the Mayor, the City Council and all of the City's boards and commissions.

As the Managing Director, Mr. Ramos was the City's chief operating officer, responsible for overseeing most city services, including public safety, social services, and public works. Mr. Ramos led the largely private-sector critique of the City's emergency preparedness and spearheaded its implementation inside and outside of government, including the design and private funding of a major marketing campaign.

Mr. Ramos is currently a member of Trujillo Rodriguez & Richards, LLC and its consulting affiliate, OnePoint Public & Private Solutions, LLC. Mr. Ramos advises business, nonprofit and government clients in compliance, investigation, and litigation matters as well as overall strategy. Mr. Ramos joined the law firm in June 2009. From June 2007 to June 2009, Mr. Ramos was a partner with the Employment, Benefits & Labor Group of Blank Rome LLP's Business Department and Blank Rome Government Relations LLC. From September 1992 to January 2002, Mr. Ramos was an associate then a partner at Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll LLP.

Mr. Ramos has a long history of service on nonprofit community boards. He is a member of the board of trustees of Project H.O.M.E., where he is a vice chairperson and member of the finance and audit committee; a member of the board of the Philadelphia Zoo, where he chairs the government affairs committee and serves on the facilities committee; a member of the board and member of the strategic planning committee of the United Way of Southeastern Pennsylvania; a member of the board and the finance committee of the After School Activities Partnership (ASAP); and a member of the board and chair of the audit committee of CDC Development Solutions, Inc., an international NGO leader in small and medium enterprise development and international volunteer management.

Mr. Ramos serves on the Board of Governors of the Philadelphia Bar Association and is in his fourth term as co-chair of the Legislative Liaison Committee, the Association's state policy arm.

An active alumnus of Eisenhower Exchange Fellowships, Mr. Ramos is the sole USA alumni representative to the organization's 40-member international Alumni Advisory Council, and the elected president of the Philadelphia region alumni group.

His past service includes the regional advisory board of Mellon/PSFS, and the regional advisory board of PNC Bank - S.E. Pennsylvania/S. New Jersey.

Mr. Ramos has received numerous civic and community awards, including the "La Justicia Award" of the Hispanic Bar Association of Pennsylvania for 2011, the J. T. Canales Distinguished Alumni Award of the University of Michigan Latino Law Students Association for 2008, the Leon J. Obermayer Award for a Distinguished School District of Philadelphia alumnus for 2000, the annual Puerto Rican Festival's Citizen of the Year Award for 2000, and the Philadelphia Education Fund Giving Forward Award for 2002.

Mr. Ramos is a 1992 cum laude graduate of the University of Michigan Law School (J.D.), a 1987 graduate of the University of Pennsylvania (B.A., Urban Studies), and a 1983 graduate of Central High School of Philadelphia.

He and his wife Rafaela have two daughters and live in Philadelphia.

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS

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02 ADDRESS 921 N. 6th Street City Philadelphia State PA Zip Code 19123 Area Code 215 Phone 413-3545

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14 FINANCIAL INTEREST IN ANY LEGAL ENTITY IN BUSINESS FOR PROFIT (See instructions on page 2) If NONE, check this box.

Name and Address of Business OnePoint Public & Private Solutions, LLC, 1717 Arch Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103

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15 BUSINESS INTERESTS TRANSFERRED TO IMMEDIATE FAMILY MEMBER (See instructions on page 2) If NONE, check this box.

Business (Name and Address)

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The undersigned hereby affirms that the foregoing information is true and correct to the best of said person's knowledge, information and belief; said affirmation being made subject to the penalties prescribed by 18 Pa.C.S. §4904 (unsworn falsification to authorities) and the Public Official and Employee Ethics Act, 65 Pa.C.S. §1109(b).

Signature  Enter Current Date 6/20/2011

**ATTACHMENT**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS**

**PEDRO A. RAMOS - NOMINEE—COMMISSIONER, PHILADELPHIA SCHOOL REFORM COMMISSION**

10. Trujillo Rodriguez & Richards, LLC, 1717 Arch Street, Suite 3838, Philadelphia, PA 19103  
OnePoint Public & Private Solutions, LLC, 1717 Arch Street, Suite 3838, Philadelphia, PA 19103  
Michael Christian Jurlando (TENANT), 968 N. Randolph Street, 19123
13. Trujillo Rodriguez & Richards, LLC, 1717 Arch Street, Suite 3838, Philadelphia, PA 19103  
Position Held: Member (non-equity)

OnePoint Public & Private Solutions, LLC, 1717 Arch Street, Suite 3838, Philadelphia, PA 19103  
Position Held: Member

**MEMBER, NON-PROFIT BOARDS OF DIRECTORS:**

Project H.O.M.E., 1515 Fairmount Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19130

The Philadelphia Zoo, 3400 West Girard Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19104

United Way of Southeastern Pennsylvania, 1709 Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, PA 19103

Associated Alumni of Central High School of Philadelphia, PO Box 26580, Philadelphia, PA 19141

After School Activities Partnership, 1520 Locust Street, Suite 1104, Philadelphia, PA 19102

Ed Snider Youth Hockey Foundation, 3601 S. Broad St., Philadelphia, PA 19148

CDC Development Solutions, Inc., 1420 K Street NW, Seventh Floor, Washington, DC 20005

Pan American Association of Philadelphia, PO Box 22655, Philadelphia, PA 19110

Philadelphia Bar Association, 1101 Market Street, 11th Fl., Philadelphia, PA 19107

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# SENATE NOMINATION QUESTIONNAIRE

Information on Nominee for appointment to:

School Reform Commission, The School District of Philadelphia

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Today's Date 6/20/2011

Section 207.1 (g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 requires the Governor to submit the following information concerning each Nominee for positions, that require advice and consent of the Senate of Pennsylvania

Full Name: Pedro Alberto Ramos  
(First) (Middle) (Last)

Voting Address (home): 921 N. 6th Street  
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\* Please answer ALL questions- if none please indicate "none" or "n/a"

Public Office/Public Position held by Nominees during the *past 10 years*: \_\_\_\_\_

Managing Director, City of Philadelphia; City Solicitor, City of Philadelphia: \_\_\_\_\_

Member, Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority: \_\_\_\_\_

Member (President), Board of Education, School District of Philadelphia. \_\_\_\_\_

Party Registration: Democrat \_\_\_\_\_

Offices held in Political Parties during the *past 10 years*: \_\_\_\_\_ None \_\_\_\_\_

Has Nominee been convicted of any violation of Law? Yes  No

If Yes, please explain (if necessary, attach additional paper) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: 02-13-1965 \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\* THIS FORM NEEDS TO BE A SWORN STATEMENT, PLEASE HAVE THIS FORM NOTARIZED\*\*\*

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]  
(nominee)

Taken, sworn and subscribed before me this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June A.D. 2011.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA  
NOTARIAL SEAL  
ABBY M. COLLAZO, Notary Public  
City of Philadelphia, Phila. County  
My Commission Expires March 25, 2015

(Seal)

Abby M. Collazo  
Signature of Notary