

STATE OF MINNESOTA



MARK DAYTON
GOVERNOR

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Barbara Colombo

20940 Oak Lane
Greenwood, MN 55331
County of Hennepin
Congressional District 3

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment, and ability, I have appointed and commissioned you to have and to hold the office of:

MEMBER

MINNESOTA RACING COMMISSION

Effective: June 24, 2015
Term Expires: January 4, 2021

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the Veterans Service Building in the City of Saint Paul, June 19, 2015.



Mark Dayton
Governor
Steve Simon
Secretary of State

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Replacing: Kristine Sundberg

President of the Senate

STATE OF MINNESOTA
OPEN APPOINTMENTS APPLICATION FOR SERVICE ON
STATE AGENCIES, BOARDS, COUNCILS, COMMISSIONS or TASK FORCES
All information on this form is available to the public upon request.

Part I - Tell us about the Position to which you are applying
Required Information (MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 5.)

Agency: **MN Racing Commission** Position Sought: Commissioner

By request, this application will be made available in alternative format (for example, braille, large print, audio tape, or computer disk.)

Part II - Tell us about Yourself
Required Information (MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 5.)

Applicant Name: **Barbara Colombo** Preferred Phone: **612-306-4655**
 Preferred Mailing Address: **20940 Oak Lane** E-MAIL: bcolombo01@hamline.edu
 (Preferred Mailing Address) County: Hennepin
Greenwood MN 55331 MN House of Rep Dist: 33B
 (City) (State) (Zip) US House of Rep Dist: 3

Have you ever been convicted of a felony: Yes No X
 Did the Appointing Authority suggest you submit your application? Yes No X

Please attach a cover letter, current resume, or other information that you feel would be helpful to the Appointing Authority.

Part III: OPTIONAL STATISTICAL INFORMATION

*The following information is optional and voluntary (MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 5.)
 Information is collected for, and compiled in, the annual report on the open appointments process pursuant to MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 7.*

Sex: Female X Age: 56 Disability: Yes No X Political Party: Democratic-Farmer-Labor
 Male Independence Republican X No Party Preference X No
 Other Other Yes No

Race: American Indian or Alaska Native
 (As listed on United State Census 2010) African American or Black
 (Pick as many as apply) X White or Caucasian
 Other Race

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Part IV: Signature and Submittal Instructions

President of the Senate

I swear that, to the best of my knowledge, the above information is correct and that I satisfy all legally prescribed qualifications for the position sought. (*If another person or group is nominating the applicant, the applicant's signature indicates consent to nomination.)

Barbara Colombo
 (Signature of Applicant)

5/26/2015

(Date)
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MAIL OR SUBMIT IN PERSON:
 Office of the Secretary of State
 Open Appointments
 180 State Office Building
 100 Rev Dr Martin Luther King Jr Blvd
 St. Paul, MN 55155-1299

Questions:
Phone: (651) 556-0643
Email:
open.appointments@state.mn.us

Applicants will not receive an acknowledgement of submitted applications; the appointing authority will notify you if an interview is desired.

Governor
05/27/2015

Cover Letter or Other Helpful Information:

Dear Governor Dayton:

I would like to express my interest in becoming a member of the Minnesota Racing Commission where I can use my skills to assist the Commission in fulfilling its mission and executing its duties.

I believe that my professional background as well as my commitment to animal welfare issues make me uniquely qualified to make a meaningful and immediate contribution to the important work of the Minnesota Racing Commission. These qualifications include:

- Seasoned attorney with expertise in litigation, management, education and regulatory matters.
- Former Assistant Commissioner for the Minnesota Department of Health with significant experience working with the Minnesota legislature as well as other state agencies and federal regulators.
- Former Board Member-Animal Humane Society (two consecutive 4-year terms) with a focus on equine matters including human investigations related to allegations of horse abuse and neglect.
- President-Minnesota Horse Welfare Coalition.
- Co-founded the Minnesota Hay Bank in 2012 which has dispersed over \$40,000 of feed and other assistance to Minnesota's most vulnerable horses.
- Avid equestrian.

In addition to these qualities, I have strong leadership skills and a proven ability to work well in a team environment and assist others in finding common ground during those times when opinions are diverse and positions are divided.

I am confident that I have the skills and passion to work effectively with the Minnesota Racing Commission. I look forward to hearing back from you at your convenience and answering any questions you may have about my qualifications. I can be reached directly at 612-306-4655 if a conversation would be helpful.

Sincerely,
Barbara Colombo

Resume or Other Helpful Information:

BARBARA COLOMBO BIO

Barbara Colombo is a Senior Fellow and Director of the Health Care Compliance Certification Program at Hamline University School of Law. Her responsibilities include the ongoing management and strategic growth and development of the Hamline's nationally recognized Health Care Compliance Certificate Program. She launched Hamline's distance learning (online) Health Care Compliance Certificate Program in 2012 and serves as the faculty lead for both the JD and online programs. Prior to her affiliation with Hamline, she served as an independent legal and policy consultant, providing advice to corporate, individual and nonprofit clients.

Ms. Colombo served as the Assistant Commissioner for the Minnesota Department of Health for seven years. Her responsibilities included the regulation of HMOs and other managed care entities, long-term care facilities, local public health delivery systems, maternal and child health, and various health occupations. She was responsible for managing a budget in excess of \$10M.

Colombo graduated with honors from William Mitchell College of Law and practiced with the law firm of Robins, Kaplan, Miller and Ciresi in the areas of medical malpractice, personal injury and products liability. She also served as General Counsel and Vice President of Enterprise Development for a health plan.

Prior to becoming an attorney, Ms. Colombo practiced as a critical care registered nurse with St. Mary's Hospital-Rochester, the University of Minnesota Hospital, and Abbott Northwestern Hospital.

Ms. Colombo was a member of the Board of Directors for the Animal Humane Society from 2006-2014, and current President of the Minnesota Horse Welfare Coalition where she and her partners launched the Minnesota Hay Bank in 2012.

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