

**OFFICE OF GOVERNOR GAVIN NEWSOM**  
**Appointments**  
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<b>Appointments Staff</b>	<b>Issue Areas</b>
<b>Morgan Carvajal</b> <i>Appointments Secretary</i> Assistant – Cecilia Crowley	Air Resources Board; State Water Resources Board; Energy; Department of Food and Agriculture; Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development; Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation; Governor's Office of Service and Community Engagement; and Fair Boards (District Agricultural Associations 1 – 52)
<b>Ismael Contreras</b> <i>Chief Deputy Appointments Secretary</i> Assistant – Christina Alligood	Government Operations Agency; Transportation Agency; and Legal Boards
<b>Aubrey Anthony</b> <i>Deputy Appointments Secretary</i> Assistant – Elizabeth Barton-Mattos	Business and Consumer Services; Department of Veterans Affairs; Environmental Protection Agency; Licensing Boards (Non-Healing Arts)
<b>Samantha Diaz</b> <i>Deputy Appointments Secretary</i> Assistant – Christina Alligood	Senate Rules; Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation; and Public Safety
<b>Diana Essex</b> <i>Appointments Administrator</i> Assistant – Izza Ahmed	Constitutional Officers (Exempt Staff); Railroad Law Enforcement; and Selective Service
<b>Curtis Lang</b> <i>Deputy Appointments Secretary</i> Assistant – Izza Ahmed	Health and Human Services Agency; Licensing Boards (Healing Arts)
<b>Elissa Ouchida</b> <i>Deputy Appointments Secretary</i> Assistant – Izza Ahmed	Higher Education; K – 12 Education; Labor and Workforce Development Agency; Youth Empowerment Commission
<b>Rochelle Schmidt</b> <i>Deputy Appointments Secretary</i> Assistant – Elizabeth Barton-Mattos	Housing; Natural Resources Agency; and Governor's Office of Emergency Services
<b>Elizabeth Barton-Mattos</b> <i>Appointments Manager and Assistant Administrator</i>	Office Manager, Intern Coordinator; Assistant to Aubrey Anthony and Diana Essex
<b>Cecilia Crowley</b> <i>Special Assistant to the Secretary</i>	Assistant to Morgan Carvajal
<b>Christina Alligood</b> <i>Special Assistant to Appointments</i>	Senate Rules; Assistant to Ismael Contreras and Samantha Diaz
<b>Izza Ahmed</b> <i>Assistant to Appointments</i>	Assistant to Curtis Lang, Elissa Ouchida, and Rochelle Schmidt