

# RETURNING VOTED BALLOTS

Voted ballots can be returned to us:

- through your department's appointed Election Officer or;
- by mailing it to us or;
- by dropping them off at our office at:

Department of Elections  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Pl. Rm 48  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Monday thru Friday  
8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

## IMPORTANT!

Ballots must be received by the Department of Elections no later than 5:00 p.m., January 30, 2007.

# SPOILED BALLOTS

To request a replacement ballot please contact the Department of Elections at (415) 554-4342.

You can also get a replacement ballot in person at the Department of Elections.

To view more information about this election please visit our website at

<http://www.sfgov.org/elections>

Each member is allowed to submit one ballot only.

## SAMPLE BALLOT

City & County of San Francisco

### 2007 RETIREMENT BOARD ELECTION

Voting closes at 5:00 p.m., JANUARY 30, 2007



This election will choose one member of the Retirement Board for a full term ending 2012.

#### VOTING INSTRUCTIONS

1. Using a pen, place an "X" in the square next to the candidate of your choice.
2. **Vote** for only one (1) candidate.
3. Place your voted ballot in the "Return Envelope" and seal it.
4. **Sign** the back of the "Return Envelope".
5. Mail or deliver the Envelope to the Department of Elections  
1 Dr. Carlton B. Goodlett Place, Room 48  
San Francisco, CA 94102

Using a pen, mark your choice with an "X"

#### RETIREMENT BOARD MEMBER

**RICARDO LOPEZ**  
*San Francisco Senior Public Defender*

**TOM HARRISON**  
*Retired City Employee/San Francisco Labor Council Public Employee Committee Chair*

**BLESILDA OCAMPO**

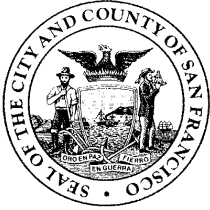
**HERB MEIBERGER**  
*Retirement Board Commissioner*

**JIM GILDAY**

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END OF BALLOT

City & County of  
San Francisco



## 2007 Retirement Board Election

# VOTER INFORMATION PAMPHLET

## Candidates' Statements

This pamphlet contains Candidates' Statements of Qualifications.

A complete list of candidates appears on the official ballot enclosed with this pamphlet.

Each candidate's statement is volunteered by the candidate and is published exactly as submitted.

# Candidates' Statement of Qualifications

Candidate Statement of **RICARDO LOPEZ**

**My occupation is** Sam Francisco Senior Public Defender

**My qualifications are:**

Ricardo Lopez is running for election with the support of many co-workers. We need to give Retirement a new definition for the miscellaneous employees. Ricardo Lopez is a native Nicaraguan age 52, married and father of three daughters. He has a law degree, member of the California bar. He has taken business classes. At present he is working as a San Francisco Public Defender Senior Investigator.

When speaking to your fellow City Employees be sure to tell them to vote for Ricardo Lopez. If they are not convinced to vote for Ricardo, remind them of the following: Member of the California State Bar, Member of the United Public Employees, SEIU 790, Member of the San Francisco LCLAA, Member of the San Francisco MAPA-GBA, Former Commissioner of the Sonoma County Commission on Human Rights, and Former City of Petaluma Personnel Board.

Ricardo has been a tireless advocate of his co-workers and Union members. He has been a shop steward for more than twenty years and had filed many grievances in support of union members. He has been a Union negotiator for more than 20 years and he is committed to work with employees to improve miscellaneous benefits for a charter amendment.

Candidate Statement of **TOM HARRISON**

**My occupation is** Retired City Employee/San Francisco Labor Council Public Employee Committee Chair

**My qualifications are:**

We have one of the top pension systems in the country.

The primary duty of a Trustee is to grow the fund, enabling the supplemental COLA to be funded thus, giving the Associations and Unions the opportunity to gain deserved pension upgrades.

As an employee representative, I have over 25 years experience proposing legislation and negotiating contracts, which have enhanced your benefits. I have campaigned diligently for every charter amendment that has increased benefits since 1980.

I have the experience and knowledge to not only grow the fund, but also the leadership position as Chair of the Labor Council Public Employees Committee to put forward pension upgrades such as a 3% compounded COLA for all retirees and improved workers compensation for miscellaneous employees.

My candidacy was encouraged, and is supported by Painters Union and Operating Engineers, two Unions that know the importance of having Trustees who are actively working to increase benefits – YOUR BENEFITS!

When PERS was under attack, Labor decided that the Employee Trustees should be in constant contact with retiree/employee organizations. I will maintain that contact.

Candidate Statement of **HERB MEIBERGER, C.F.A.**

**My occupation is** Retirement Board Commissioner

**My qualifications are:**

- 20 years' experience managing and monitoring investments in our Defined Benefit and Deferred Contribution Plans,
- Investments Instructor at SFSU,
- MBA - UC Berkeley.

As Commissioner for 15 years, I've worked with Board and staff managing our Defined Benefit pension, achieving excellent returns. Ours is the best-funded plan in California, valued at \$14.4 billion (6/30/06) with \$10 billion in promised benefits.

I've successfully campaigned to

- obtain the 3% Compounded COLA (1996),
- increase benefits for miscellaneous members (2000),
- retain the COLA (2002),
- increase benefits for safety members (2001).

I've

- worked with Labor organizations to increase miscellaneous benefits,
- worked to provide the best, low-cost funds in your Deferred Compensation Plan,
- worked to hire an independent actuary,
- championed Tobacco Divestment and Sudan Divestment.

I'm the best choice to fight future battles to retain your Defined Benefit Plan where the benefits are guaranteed by the City. I'm the only candidate who has the education, investment expertise, and skills to manage and to educate you about your pension.

I recently retired to dedicate more energy to accomplish these goals.

Vote for Integrity, Results, Qualifications, and Experience – Not Promises!

Website: Meiberger.com Email: [herb.sf@gmail.com](mailto:herb.sf@gmail.com) Phone: 415-812-2649 Thanks!

Candidate Statement of **BLESILDA OCAMPO**

*Candidate did not file a Candidate Statement.*

Candidate Statement of **JIM GILDAY**

*Candidate did not file a Candidate Statement.*