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### **Governor Schwarzenegger Announces Appointments**

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger today announced the following appointments:

Frank "Fred" Aguiar, 58, of Sacramento, has been appointed to the Unemployment Insurance Appeals Board. He has served as cabinet secretary in the Office of Governor Schwarzenegger since 2005. From 2003 to 2005, Aguiar served as secretary of the State and Consumer Services Agency. He served on the Board of Supervisors for San Bernardino County from 1998 to 2003. Aguiar served in the California State Assembly from 1992 to 1998, where he was chair of the Rules Committee. Prior to that, he served 14 years in local government, both as a council member and mayor of the City of Chino from 1978 to 1992. Aguiar served in the U.S Army from 1969 to 1970. This position requires Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$123,987. Aguiar is a Republican.

Richard Tim Bakman, 47, of Fresno, has been appointed to the Big Fresno Fair Board of Directors (21st District Agricultural Association). He has served as president and manager of the Bakman Water Company since 1982 and also a licensed salesperson for the real estate business, Realty Concepts, since 2000. Bakman is a member of the Fresno County Water Advisory Committee, the American Water Works Association and the Fresno County Economic Opportunities Commission. This position does not require Senate confirmation and there is no salary. Bakman is a Republican.

Steve Blank, 53, of Menlo Park, has been appointed to the California Coastal Commission. Since 2006, he has served as a lecturer on entrepreneurship and innovation at the Stanford University Graduate School of Engineering. Blank has held the same position at the Berkeley/Columbia MBA Program since 2005 and the University of California, Berkeley Haas Business School since 2002. He has been a co-founder of several Silicon Valley startup companies, including Mips Computers, Ardent, Rocket Science Games and E.piphany. Blank currently serves as chair of the California Audubon and is a member of Audubon National. This position will take effect on March 1, 2007, does not require Senate confirmation and there is no salary. Blank is a Democrat.

John Chalker, 56, of San Diego, has been appointed to the California Transportation Commission. He has served on the commission since 2005 and currently serves as the managing director for LM Capital Group. Previously, Chalker worked for Merrill Lynch from 1980 to 1995, ending his tenure as vice president and senior financial consultant. From 1972 to 1979, he served in the U.S. Navy as a carrier-based attack pilot. Chalker is a member of the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce and the San Diego World Trade Center. Additionally, he is a former member of the Contractors State License Board, where he served as chair from 1996 to 1997. This position will take effect on March 1, 2007, requires Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem. Chalker is a Republican.

David Crane, 53, of San Francisco, has been appointed to the High Speed Rail Authority. He currently serves as special advisor to the Governor for jobs and economic growth. Before joining the Administration, Crane was a partner with Babcock & Brown, a financial services firm. This position does not require Senate confirmation and

the compensation is \$100 per diem. Crane is a Democrat.

Ardie Der Manouel, 68, of Fresno, has been appointed to the Big Fresno Fair Board of Directors (21st District Agricultural Association). He has served on the Board since 1992. Der Manouel retired as a regional sales manager for Mission Linen Supply in Fresno, where he worked from 1962 to 2000. He is a member of the Bulldog Foundation of Fresno State. This position does not require Senate confirmation and there is no salary. De Manouel is a Republican.

Rod Diridon, Sr., 68, of Santa Clara, has been appointed to the High Speed Rail Authority. He has served on the Authority since 2001, serving one term as chair. Additionally, Diridon serves as the executive director of the Mineta Transportation Institute. Previously, he served on the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors from 1975 to 1995 and served as chair of the Board for six terms. Diridon is past chair of the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, American Public Transit Association, Bay Area Air Quality Management District and the Association of Bay Area Governments. He is the president and founder of the California Trolley and Railroad Corporation. This position does not require Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem. Diridon is a Democrat.

James Earp, 54, of Roseville, has been appointed to the California Transportation Commission. Since 1998, Earp has served as executive director of the California Alliance for Jobs. In 2006, Earp launched an initiative campaign to increase protection for Proposition 42 funding and he also served as chair of the Yes on 1A-1E Campaign. From 1976 to 1998, he was public relations director for the International Union of Operating Engineers Local 3, a heavy construction union. This position will take effect on March 1, 2007, requires Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem. Earp is a Democrat.

William Gailey, 59, of Huntington Beach, has been appointed to the California State Bar Board of Governors. Gailey currently serves as chair of the investigation and intelligence gathering firm, Gailey Associates and previously served as the public safety liaison for Californians for Schwarzenegger 2006. From 1968 to 1991, he worked as a detective for the City of Los Angeles Police Department. He currently serves on the Bureau of Security and Investigative Services Disciplinary Review Committee and is a member of the California Association of Licensed Investigators and the California Homicide Investigators Association. Gailey is a retired veteran of the U.S. Army Airborne Unit, where he served as a Sergeant E-5 Paratrooper from 1965 to 1968. This position requires Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$50 per diem. Gailey is a Democrat.

Carl Guardino, 45, of Los Gatos, has been appointed to the California Transportation Commission. He has served as president and chief executive officer of the Silicon Valley Leadership Group since 1997, formerly the Silicon Valley Manufacturing Group (SVMG). From 1995 to 1997, Guardino served as government affairs director for Hewlett Packard. Prior to that, he served as vice president for SVMG from 1991 to 1995. This position will take effect on March 1, 2007, requires Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem. Guardino is a Democrat.

R. Kirk Lindsey, 59, of Modesto, has been appointed to the High Speed Rail Authority. He has served on the California Transportation Commission since 2000 and has served as the president of Brite Transport System Incorporated since 1973. Lindsey is also a managing partner of B&P Bulk an agricultural trucking company and a partner of P&L Properties. This position does not require Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem. Lindsey is a Republican.

William "Chris" Mowrer, 51, of Elk Grove, has been appointed deputy secretary for legislation for the California Resources Agency. Since 2005, he has served as chief of staff to Senator Abel Maldonado. Mowrer previously served as chief of staff to Assemblymember Lynn Daucher from 2001 to 2005 and held the same position with Senator Tom Leslie from 1997 to 2001. Prior to that, he was a republican consultant to the Senate Appropriations Committee from 1996 to 2001. Mowrer served in the U.S. Navy from 1978 to 1983. This position does not require Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$104,172. Mowrer is a Republican.

Gary Nakamura, 56, of Redding, has been appointed to the Forestry and Fire Protection Board. He has served as a forestry specialist with the Center for Forestry at the University of California, Berkeley since 1985. From 1980 to 1985, Nakamura was the supervisor of research and development for the California Region of Champion International Corp, where he conducted applied forest research. Prior to that, he was a coordinator for the U.S. Forest Service, monitoring 35 field research areas throughout California. This position requires Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem. Nakamura is a Democrat.

Curt Pringle, 47, of Anaheim, has been appointed to the High Speed Rail Authority. He currently serves as Mayor of the City of Anaheim and president of Curt Pringle & Associates. Pringle has also served as an adjunct faculty member in the political science department at the University of California, Irvine since 2000, where he teaches California government. Previously, he served in the California State Assembly from 1988 to 1990 and 1992 to 1998. While in the Assembly, Pringle served as Speaker in 1996. This position does not require Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem. Pringle is a Republican.

Richard "Rick" Post, 59, of Yucca Valley, has been appointed to the Colorado River Basin Regional Water Quality Control Board. He currently serves as the dean of resource development and assistant to the president at the College of the Desert, where he has worked since 1974. Post has held several other positions at the college including dean of the division of applied sciences and business, chair of the division of business and social science and chair of the division of business and hospitality industries. This position requires Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem. Post is a Republican.

Irene Raymundo, 62, of El Dorado Hills, has been appointed chair of the Agricultural Labor Relations Board. She was first appointed to the Board in 2005 and has served as chair since 2006. Raymundo previously served as a board representative for hearing services for the Youthful Offender Parole Board from 1999 to 2005 and served on the Board from 1991 to 1999. Prior to that, she was a community resource manager for the Richard J. Donovan Correctional Facility. Raymundo is a member of the Chicano Correctional Workers Association. This position requires Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$127, 833. Raymundo is a Republican.

Peter Reinke, 34, of Oakland, has been appointed to the State Teachers' Retirement Board. He has served on the Board since 2006 and has held the position of director of civic purpose at the Head Royce School since 2003. From 1997 to 2003, Reinke was the director of finance and teacher training for the Heads Up Program at Head Royce School, an academic program for at-risk youth. He worked as a legislative correspondent, deputy floor coordinator and deputy field manager for U.S. Senator John Chafee from 1993 to 1996. Reinke is a member of the State Board of California Common Cause and he served as vice chair of the Oakland Public Ethics Commission from 2002 to 2005. This position requires Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$100 per diem. Reinke is a Democrat.

Charlene Zettel, 59, of Poway, has been appointed to the San Diego Regional Airport Authority Governing Board. She served as a member of the San Diego Regional Airport Authority from 2002 to 2004 and director of the Department of Consumer Affairs since 2004. From 2003 to 2004, Zettel was a public interest director for the Federal Home Loan Bank of San Francisco. Previously, she served in the California State Assembly from 1998 to 2002. While in the Assembly, Zettel was chair of the Republican Caucus, vice-chair of the Assembly Committee on Jobs, Economic Development and the Economy and a member of the Appropriations, Education, Health, Transportation and GAO committees. This position requires Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$171,648. Zettel is a Republican.