## **Application Form**

Profile					
Which Boards would you like to apply for?					
Immigrant Affairs Comm	ittee: Submitted				
Maricela	F	Ortiz			
First Name	Middle Initial	Last Name			
Email Address					
Home Address					
City			State	Postal Code	
What district do you	live in? *				
District 7					
Primary Phone	Alternate Phone				

Submit Date: Apr 01, 2021

Briefly explain why are you interested in serving on this board or commission?

Being an immigrant myself, I have always believed in the importance of advocating for our immigrant communities. In my previous positions I was able to see first hand the great need there is to continue connecting our immigrant community and the resources available to them, as well as seeking new ways to continue bringing new resources that meet those needs.

Educational background, Schools Attended, Degrees and Certifications

I obtained a BA degree from the California State University Of Fresno. I also held an BIA Accreditation from the Board Of Immigration Appeals

Briefly explain your qualifications or areas of demonstrated expertise for this board or commission.

For the past 10 years I have worked in various positions where I have seen the great need our immigrant communities face on daily basis. I have always tried to find the way to advocate for entire families whether I was teaching in a classroom or providing immigration assistance alongside the immigration attorneys. I was a member of a local immigration coalition for over 3 years were we discussed all of the needs and ways to help with the integration of our immigrant communities. Furthermore, we would discuss what were the areas of concern and ways to help them. Now with COVID-19 I do believe that our immigrant communities are the most affected, and as a consequence the need for services and advocacy for this group is going to be esencial.

-	nember have any professional or financial relationship that of interest for this board, commission or similar body?
○ Yes ⊙ No	
Work History	
Ca state Assembly Employer	Field Representative  Job Title
Work Address	
City, State, Zip Code	
Fresno, Ca, 93721	
Provide 3 Personal and Professi where they may be reached duri	onal References. Provide name, address, and phone number ng the day.
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Question applies to multiple boards  I declare under penalty of perjur	y the above information is true and correct.
⊙ Yes ○ No	