

**VI. C. Appointment of Member to the Commission on Ethics (NRS 281A.200)**

**NRS 281A.200 Creation; appointment, terms and qualifications of members; prohibited activities by members; vacancies.**

1. The Commission on Ethics, consisting of eight members, is hereby created.
2. The Legislative Commission shall appoint to the Commission four residents of the State, at least two of whom must be former public officers or employees, and at least one of whom must be an attorney licensed to practice law in this State.
3. The Governor shall appoint to the Commission four residents of the State, at least two of whom must be former public officers or employees, and at least one of whom must be an attorney licensed to practice law in this State.
4. Not more than four members of the Commission may be members of the same political party. Not more than four members of the Commission may be residents of the same county.
5. None of the members of the Commission may, while the member is serving on the Commission:
  - (a) Hold another public office;
  - (b) Be actively involved in the work of any political party or political campaign;or
  - (c) Communicate directly with a State Legislator or a member of a local legislative body on behalf of someone other than himself or herself or the Commission, for compensation, to influence:
    - (1) The State Legislator with regard to introducing or voting upon any matter or taking other legislative action; or
    - (2) The member of the local legislative body with regard to introducing or voting upon any ordinance or resolution, taking other legislative action or voting upon:
      - (I) The appropriation of public money;
      - (II) The issuance of a license or permit; or
      - (III) Any proposed subdivision of land or special exception or variance from zoning regulations.
6. After the initial terms, the terms of the members are 4 years. Any vacancy in the membership must be filled by the appropriate appointing authority for the unexpired term. Each member may serve no more than two consecutive full terms.  
(Added to NRS by 1985, 2121; A 1991, 1594; 1999, 2731; 2009, 1048; 2013, 3766)—  
(Substituted in revision for NRS 281.455)

At its December 21, 2016, meeting, the Legislative Commission appointed Ms. Amanda Yen to the Commission on Ethics to fill one of two vacancies that the Legislative Commission had to fill. After that meeting, the Commission on Ethics notified the Legislative Counsel Bureau of the resignation of Dan Stewart from his position on the Commission. As a result the Legislative Commission again had two vacancies to fill. At its January 27, 2017, meeting, the Legislative Commission appointed former Assemblyman Lynn Stewart to the Commission on Ethics to fill one of the two vacancies. As a result, there is still one vacancy remaining for the Legislative Commission to fill.

The current appointees from the Legislative Commission are:

- 1) Barbara Gruenewald – Washoe County, Democrat, Attorney
- 2) Amanda Yen – Clark County, Republican, Attorney
- 3) Lynn D. Stewart – Clark County, former public officer

Based on the current makeup of the Governor’s appointees to the Commission, the Legislative Commission must appoint one member who meets the qualifications below:

- The appointee must be a former public officer or former public employee
- The appointee may not be a registered Republican
- The appointee is not required to be an attorney but is not prohibited from being an attorney
- The appointee may be a resident of any county in the State
- The appointee must meet the requirements in subsection 5 above.