COMMISSION OF DEAF SERVICES

§216A.2, 216A.113

Office of Deaf Services, Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines 50319; 515.281.3164 or 888.221.3724

Name	City	Term Ending/Type	
Nathaniel Garrels, Chair	Laurens		
Mary Dyer	Glenwood	April 30, 2019	
	Ankeny		
Dirk Hillard	Davenport	April 30, 2021	
Jennifer Keaton	Mount Vernon	April 30, 2020	
Telina McKenna-Quintana	Waterloo	April 30, 2021	
Ex officio, nonvoting member			
San Wong, Director, Department of Human Rights		Statutory	

OFFICE OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

§216A.1, 216A.72

Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines 50319; 515.242.6334 or 888.219.0471

Jill Fulitano Avery, Executive Officer

The Office of Persons with Disabilities is established to do the following:

- 1. Serve as the central permanent agency to advocate for persons with disabilities.
- 2. Coordinate and cooperate with the efforts of state departments and agencies to serve the needs of persons with disabilities in participating fully in the economic, social, and cultural life of the state, and provide direct assistance to individuals who request it.
- 3. Develop, coordinate, and assist other public or private organizations which serve persons with disabilities.
- 4. Serve as an information clearinghouse on programs and agencies operating to assist persons with disabilities.

COMMISSION OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES §216A.2, 216A.74

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Name	City	Term Ending/Type	
Michelle Ray-Michalec, Chair			
David Bert			
Laura Herrity	West Des Moines	April 30, 2018	
Joseph Hickey	Dubuque	April 30, 2020	
Prakash Kopparapu	West Des Moines	April 30, 2020	
Gary Schriver			
Ex officio, nonvoting member			
San Wong, Director, Department of Human Rights			

The commission is required to do the following:

- 1. Study the opportunities for and changing needs of persons with disabilities in this state.
- 2. Serve as liaisons between the office and the public, sharing information and gathering constituency input.
- 3. Recommend to the Human Rights Board the adoption of rules pursuant to Iowa Code chapter 17A as it deems necessary for the commission and office.
- 4. Recommend legislative and executive action to the Governor and General Assembly.
- 5. Establish advisory committees, work groups, or other coalitions as appropriate.