



**Declaration of Candidacy for Vacant Assembly District 1 Seat**

**City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska  
Municipal Clerk's Office  
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**CBJ Code provides for the following regarding the filling of vacancies on the Assembly:**

**11.10.040 Vacancies.**

"(a) Except for a vacancy in the office of mayor, a vacancy on the assembly shall be filled by the assembly which shall appoint by majority vote of the remaining members a qualified resident of the election district from which the vacancy arose to be the acting assemblymember until the next regular election and a successor is elected. The person appointed by the assembly shall be compensated in accordance with CBJ 11.15.050(b)." ...

**Individuals wishing to be considered for the upcoming vacant District 1 Assembly seat are asked to complete the below form and attach a letter of interest and resume and submit it to the Municipal Clerk's office at the above address by January 2, 2019.**

I, Meilani Schijvens, hereby declare my candidacy for the District 1 Assembly seat, and agree to serve if appointed, and hereby swear (affirm) that:

- I am a qualified voter as required by law; and
- I am a resident of the City and Borough of Juneau, and will have been a resident for at least one year immediately preceding the date of this appointment; and
- I am a resident of Assembly District 1; and
- I am not an employee of Bartlett Regional Hospital, the City and Borough of Juneau or any municipal board, commission, committee or other group, except for the school district, nor any public body created by the Assembly; and
- If appointed, I will not hold any other compensated municipal office or employment or elected partisan political office while serving on the Assembly.
- If I am appointed, I agree to file the required Alaska Public Officials Financial Disclosure statement in accordance with AS 39.50.

<u>Meilani Alanna Schijvens</u>	<u>907-463-9234</u>
Full Legal Name of Candidate	Phone Number(s)
<u>610 W 11th Street Juneau, AK 99801</u>	<u>[ ] / Sept / 1973 [ ]</u>
Residence Address, City, State, and Zip Code	[Date at which residency began in CBJ]
<u>610 W 11th Street Juneau, AK 99801</u>	<u>meilani@raincoastdata.com</u>
Mailing Address, City, State and Zip Code	Email Address



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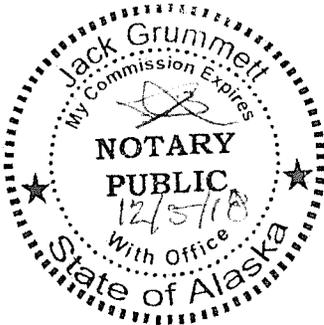
I, Meilani Schijvens, hereby declare my candidacy for the vacant District 1 Assembly seat, and hereby swear or affirm that the above declaration and all statements contained therein are true and correct.

Meilani Schijvens dated this 5 day of December, 2018.  
Signature of Candidate

Subscribed and sworn to or affirmed before me this 5 day of December 2018.

[Signature]  
SIGNATURE OF NOTARY PUBLIC FOR STATE OF ALASKA

Jack Grummett 3/23/2021  
Notary Public Printed Name & Commission Expiration Date



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December 5, 2018

Juneau Assembly  
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Greetings Juneau Assembly members-

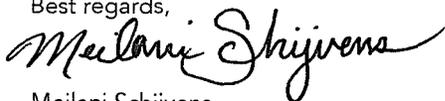
It was wonderful to see all of you earlier this week. Please accept this as my letter of interest for serving with you on the Juneau Assembly. I am a lifelong Juneau resident and I deeply love our community. After spending 20 years being obsessed with the local economy, I feel like I can be of service on this diverse and inspiring assembly.

I am the owner and founder of Rain Coast Data, an economic research and analysis firm. I hold a Master's of Environmental Science from the University of Oregon and a history degree from Colby College. Before founding Rain Coast Data five years ago, I served as the Executive Director for Southeast Conference, as a Research Analyst at McDowell Group, as a Program Officer at the Juneau Economic Development Council, as a Planning Associate at Sheinberg Associates, and as a Legislative Research Analyst for the State of Alaska. I taught Alaska Natural Resource Economic History at the University of Oregon, and served as a staffer to US Legislative Minority Leader Tom Daschle in Washington DC. I was appointed to the Marine Transportation Advisory Board as well as Governor Murkowski's Transportation Transition Team, where I served as chair of Marine Transportation. I spent two year working at the Greens Creek Mine in Juneau as an environmental technician. I currently sit on the Northern Opportunity Strategy Committee for the State of Alaska and the Juneau Downtown Blueprint Committee. I recently spent 4 years serving on the Harborview Site Council. I have organized more than 50 public meetings in Juneau and across the region and I am very familiar with the public process.

I have two sons, aged 11 and 14. I am also the head of the Flats Families Neighborhood Association, a group with 500 members. I have dedicated my professional career to Juneau and Southeast Alaska economic development. I have authored hundreds of economic development planning and economic analysis publications including Southeast Alaska by the Numbers, and for six years I was responsible for producing the Juneau Economic Indicators. Other publications I've developed include the Maritime Economy of Southeast Alaska, the Juneau Housing Needs Assessment, the Current Status of Childcare in Juneau, the Economic Impact of a Senior Assisted Living Facility in Juneau Alaska, the Arts Economy of Southeast Alaska, and the Southeast Alaska 2020 Economic Plan – which received a national award. Other recent local projects I have been involved in include the Marie Park to Taku Dock Urban Design Plan; the Juneau Downtown Harbors Upland Master Plan: Bridge Park to Norway Point; the Mendenhall Glacier Recreation Area & Visitor Center Plan; and the Juneau Economic Development Plan. In the summers I run a non-competitive women's soccer league.

I have always considered serving on the Juneau Assembly, but struggled with making the three-year time commitment while my kids are still young. This opening provides a wonderful opportunity for me (or another parent) to serve a significantly shorter term, and yet still provide meaningful service to the community. Whether or not you select me, I do hope you select a parent with kids in the Juneau school district. Looking at the make-up of the assembly over the past 30 years, we have had far too few parents with young children serve, and this perspective is invaluable, especially now.

Best regards,



Meilani Schijvens