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**APPOINTMENTS**

DOCUMENT NO.	APPOINTEE	POSITION	AGENCY	APPT. DATE	TERM LENGTH	DATE REFERRED	COMMITTEE REFERRED	PUBLIC HEARING DATE	DATE COMMITTEE REPORT FILED	SESSION DATE	DATE CONFIRMED	NOTES
37GL-23-0630	Jesse G. Garcia	Member	A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority Board of Directors	6/23/23	Three (3) Years; July 6, 2023 to July 5, 2026	7/11/23	Committee on Maritime Transportation, Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens	9/8/23 9:00 a.m.	9/19/23 3:17 p.m.			



Office of Senator  
**AMANDA L. SHELTON**  
Legislative Secretary & Chairwoman

Committee on Maritime and Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth and Senior Citizens

*I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* • 37th Guam Legislature

September 15, 2023

**The Honorable Therese M. Terlaje**  
Speaker  
*I Mina'trentai Siette na Liheslaturan Guåhan*  
163 Chalan Santo Papa  
Hagåtña, Guam 96910

**VIA:**           **The Honorable Chris Barnett** *DUB*  
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

**Subject:**       **Committee Report on the Appointment of Jesse G. Garcia**

Dear Speaker Terlaje,

*Buenas yan Håfa Adai!* Transmitted herewith is the Committee Report on the appointment of **Jesse G. Garcia** to serve as a Member of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Board of Directors and which was referred to the Committee on Maritime & Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens.

Committee votes are as follows:

- 7            TO DO CONFIRM
- \_\_\_\_\_ TO NOT CONFIRM
- \_\_\_\_\_ TO REPORT OUT ONLY
- \_\_\_\_\_ TO ABSTAIN
- \_\_\_\_\_ TO PLACE IN INACTIVE FILE



**COMMITTEE ON RULES**

**Received:**  
September 15, 2023 2:24 p.m.  
*Kamarin Nelson*

Respectfully  
*Amanda Shelton*  
**Senator Amanda L. Shelton**

Chairwoman, Committee on Maritime & Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens





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# **COMMITTEE REPORT**

## **Nomination of Jesse G. Garcia**

**As a Member of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Board of Directors to serve for a term of Three (3) years; from July 6, 2023, to July 5, 2026**



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September 15, 2023

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** **All Members**  
Committee on Maritime & Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens

**From:** **Senator Amanda L. Shelton**  
Chairwoman

**Subject:** **Committee Report on the Appointment of Jesse G. Garcia**

*Buenas yan Håfa Adai!* Transmitted herewith for your consideration is the Committee Report of **Jesse G. Garcia** to serve as a **Member** of the **Board of Directors** of the **A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority**.

This report includes the following:

- Copy of COR Referral of the Appointment
- Copy of the Appointment Letter to the Speaker
- Copy of the Appointment Packet & Support Documents
- Notices of Public Hearing & Other Correspondence
- Copy of the Public Hearing Agenda
- Public Hearing Sign-in Sheet
- Submitted Written Testimonies and Supporting Documents
- Committee Vote Sheet
- Committee Report Digest

Please take the appropriate action on the attached voting sheet. Your attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my office.

Respectfully,

**Senator Amanda L. Shelton**  
Chairwoman





## COMMITTEE ON RULES

Senator Chris Barnett, Chairperson  
*I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*  
37<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature

July 11, 2023

**To:** **Joaquin P. Taitague**  
Substitute Clerk of the Legislature

**Attorney Darleen Hiton**  
Legislative Legal Counsel

**From:** **Senator Chris Barnett**   
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

**Subject:** **Referral of Reappointment**

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*Håfa Adai yan Biba Guåhan!*

As per my authority as Chairperson of the Committee on Rules and subject to §9.01, Rule IX of our Standing Rules, I am forwarding the referral of the following reappointment:

**Appointee:** **Jesse G. Garcia**

**Position:** **Member**

**Term Length:** **Three (3) Years; July 6, 2023, to July 5, 2026**

Please refer the following document:

**"Doc. No. 37GL-23-0630** – Office of the Governor – reappointment and Supporting Documents for Jesse G. Garcia, Member, A.B. Won Pat Airport Authority Board of Directors."

Ensure the reappointment is referred to the Committee on Maritime Transportation, Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens chaired by Senator Amanda L. Shelton. I also request that the same be forwarded to Management Information Services (MIS) for posting on our website.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Kamarin J.A. Nelson, Committee on Rules Director at 671-472-2461.



LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO  
GOVERNOR




JOSHUA F. TENORIO  
LT. GOVERNOR

UFISINAN I MAGA'HĀGAN GUĀHAN  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM

37GL-23-0630  
OFFICE OF THE SPEAKER  
THERESE M. TERLAJE

June 23, 2023

Honorable Therese M. Terlaje  
Speaker  
*I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guāhan*  
37<sup>th</sup> Guam Legislature  
Guam Congress Building  
163 Chalan Santo Papa  
Hagåtña, Guam 96932

06-30 2023  
Time: 4:05 pm  
Received: 

**RE: Board Reappointment**

*Hafa Adai* Madame Speaker:

By virtue of the authority vested in me pursuant to the Organic Act of Guam, 12 GCA § 1106 and all other applicable laws, I am pleased to transmit the following reappointment and supporting documents:

APPOINTEE: Jesse G. Garcia  
POSITION: Member, Board of Directors  
Guam International Airport Authority  
TERM LENGTH: **Three (3) Years; July 6, 2023, to July 5, 2026**

The reappointment is subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guāhan*. Please schedule a hearing at your earliest convenience.

*Senseramente,*

Handwritten signature of Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero.

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO  
*Maga'hāgan Guāhan*  
Governor of Guam

cc: *Honorable* Joshua F. Tenorio, Lt. Governor of Guam



37GL-23-0630  
Messages and Communications  
RECEIVED  
Committee on Rules  
June 30, 2023  
5:22 p.m.  
*Beatrice Cruz*

LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO  
GOVERNOR



JOSHUA F. TENORIO  
LT. GOVERNOR

UFISINAN I MAGA'HÅGAN GUÅHAN  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM

June 23, 2023

**JESSE G. GARCIA**



*Hafa Adai* Mr. Garcia:

Pursuant to my authority under the Organic Act of Guam, 12 GCA § 1106, and all other applicable laws, I am reappointing you to serve as a:

**MEMBER, BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
A.B. WON PAT AIRPORT AUTHORITY  
Term Length: Three (3) Years; July 6, 2023, to July 5, 2026**

Your reappointment is a testament to your commitment to public service and your faithful execution of the great responsibilities that this position requires. I am confident that you will continue to fulfill your duties in a professional manner for others to follow. On behalf of the people of Guam, I extend my gratitude for your continued service in this important role.

As you are aware, this reappointment is subject to the advice and consent of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan*.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jean Taitano with the Office of the Governor at (671) 473-1121.

*Senseramente,*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero".

**LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO**  
*Maga'hågan Guåhan*  
Governor of Guam

cc: *Honorable* Joshua F. Tenorio, Lt. Governor of Guam  
Chairperson, Board of Directors, Guam International Airport Authority  
Executive Manager, Guam International Airport Authority

**LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO**  
Governor



**JOSHUA F. TENORIO**  
Lieutenant Governor

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM Nomination and Appointment Information Sheet

The following information is required for submission to the  
Speaker of / *Liheslaturan Guåhan* in accordance with Title 4, Guam Code Annotated Section 2103

### NOMINEE INFORMATION

<b>Last Name</b> GARCIA	<b>First Name</b> JESSE	<b>Middle Initial</b> G
<b>Mailing Address</b> [REDACTED]		<b>Apartment/Unit #</b>
<b>City</b> [REDACTED]	<b>State</b> [REDACTED]	<b>Zip Code</b> [REDACTED]
<b>Phone</b> [REDACTED]	<b>E-mail Address</b> [REDACTED]	
<b>Position to which Appointment is Made</b> Member, Board of Directors, Guam International Airport Authority		
<b>Are you a citizen of the United States?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>If no, are you authorized to work in the United States?</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		

### EDUCATION

SCHOOL (Name, City and State)	DATES OF ATTENDANCE	TYPE OF DEGREE	YEAR EARNED
<b>High School</b> Guam Community College		High School Diploma	1983
<b>College</b>			
<b>Graduate School</b>			
<b>Other Degree</b> Guam Police Reserve 9th Cycle			1985



## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

<b>Name of Present/Last Employer and Mailing Address</b> Black Construction Company Harmon Industrial Park, Guam	<b>Position Title</b> Project Manager
	<b>Dates Held</b> 3/2021 - Present

<b>Previous Employer and Mailing Address</b> Department of Public Works Government of Guam	<b>Position Title</b> Deputy Director
	<b>Dates Held</b> 1/2019 - 2/2021

<b>Previous Employer and Mailing Address</b> Black Construction Company Harmon Industrial Park, Guam	<b>Position Title</b> Project Manager
	<b>Dates Held</b> 11/2013 - 1/2019

<b>Previous Employer and Mailing Address</b> Johnson Control Tamuning, Guam	<b>Position Title</b> Project Manager
	<b>Dates Held</b> 3/2011 - 10/2013

<b>Previous Employer and Mailing Address</b> Global Specialists Retailers, Inc. (GSRI) dba GAP, Aerosoles & Beauty Bar Upper Tumon, Guam	<b>Position Title</b> Construction Mgmt Consultant
	<b>Dates Held</b> 10/2011 - 3/2020

## PRIOR GOVERNMENT OF GUAM SERVICE

<b>Agency or Department Name</b> CHamoru Land Trust Commission		<b>Position Title</b> Administrator
<b>Address</b> Government of Guam	<b>Phone No.</b>	<b>Dates Held</b> 2009 - 2010

<b>Agency or Department Name</b> Dept of Homeland Security, Emer Ops Center		<b>Position Title</b> Ops Section Chief
<b>Address</b> Government of Guam	<b>Phone No.</b>	<b>Dates Held</b> 2003 - 2004

**PRIOR GOVERNMENT SERVICE (EXCLUDING GOVERNMENT OF GUAM)**

<b>Agency or Department Name</b>		<b>Position Title</b>	
<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone No.</b>	<b>Dates Held</b>	

<b>Agency or Department Name</b>		<b>Position Title</b>	
<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone No.</b>	<b>Dates Held</b>	

**TRAINING**

<b>INSTITUTE/SEMINARS/ON-THE-JOB TRAINING</b>	<b>DATE</b>
OSHA Construction Industry Course (30hrs)	2012
US Army Corps of Eng Const. Quality Mgmt for Contractors	2011
GPD SWAT w/Special Ops Training Group (SOTG)	on-going
FEMA Incident Command, FEMA Emergency Mgmt Institute	2004

**AWARDS**

<b>List all educational, professional, civic awards, and recognition for public service:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Civilian Volunteer Police Reserve Office of the Year, 2005</li> <li>* Best of the Best Employee of the Year, 1997</li> <li>* Supervisor of the Year, Large Agency (DPW), 1995</li> <li>* Salutatorian, 9th Police Reserve Cycle, 1985</li> </ul>

**PROFESSIONAL INVOLVEMENT**

<b>List involvement on a local/national/international level. List organizations, activities participated in, and offices held:</b>

### COMMUNITY / CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

*List organizations, activities participated in, and offices held:*

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### PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

*List any published articles, papers delivered at professional meetings, etc.:*

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### MILITARY SERVICE (Please attach Form DD-214)

BRANCH	DATES OF SERVICE	RANK AT DISCHARGE	TYPE OF DISCHARGE

### OTHER INFORMATION

(1) Have you ever been found guilty of a felony in any court, whether within or without the United States?

Yes  No  If so, please specify in detail: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of the Court: \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) of Conviction: \_\_\_\_\_

Specific Infraction Committed: \_\_\_\_\_

**(2) Have you ever been declared mentally incompetent by any court, whether within or without the United States?**

Yes  No  If so, please specify in detail the reasons and facts related to such declaration:

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**(3) Have you ever been found not guilty or not punishable in any criminal proceedings by reason of insanity?**

Yes  No

**(4) Have you ever been confined to a mental institution for any reason?**

Yes  No  If so, please specify in why the appointing authority believes you that you are not suffering from any mental illness or affliction:

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**LOURDES A. LEON GUERRERO**  
Governor

**JOSHUA F. TENORIO**  
Lieutenant Governor



**OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR OF GUAM**

**Statement of Financial Interests**

(Required by 4 G.C.A. §13104.1)

**TO:** The Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero  
Governor of Guam  
Ricardo J. Bordallo Governor's Complex  
Adelup, Guam 96910

**FROM:** Jesse G. Garcia

- I have no financial interest in any business
- I do have interest(s) in the following business(es):

NAME AND ADDRESS OF BUSINESS INTEREST	TYPE AND AMOUNT OF INTEREST

  
Signature

6/30/2023  
Date

**AFFIDAVIT / DECLARATION UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY**

I, the undersigned, do hereby depose and say that: (1) I have read and reviewed the information contained in the attached Appointment/Nomination letter from the Governor of Guam; (2) that the matters contained in the Appointment/Nomination letter, together with all attachments thereto, are true and correct and that I am competent to testify to said matters; and (3) that this Declaration is made for the purpose of complying with the requirements of 4 G.C.A. Section 2103.5.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of Guam (4 G.C.A. Section 4308) that the foregoing is true and correct.

Jesse G. Garcia

Print Name and Signature



4/30/2023

Date

# *Jesse G. Garcia*

January 2022

## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

During my 31 total years of service for the Government of Guam, I was an active participant in planning and development for the Department of Public Works, most particularly in the area of the Highway Master Planning, Facility CIP's and Maintenance, logistics planning for large government operations, as well as serving as a key advisor to two governors over a 16 year period. I have a strong commitment and dedication to assigned tasks, take personal responsibility to solving problems and I create a "can do" attitude for myself and for my team. Most recently, I was a direct report for logistics to Governor Leon Guerrero during the initial stages of the COVID-19 pandemic.

## EDUCATION

Guam Community College  
Guam Police Reserve 9<sup>th</sup> Cycle, 1985

George Washington High School, 1983 Graduate  
Mangilao, Guam

## CERTIFICATIONS/PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

OSHA 30 hour Construction Industry Course, June 2012  
Guam Contractors License Board Examination (passed) in the field of Law, General Engineering, General Building and Excavating/Grading/Trenching, October 2011  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (NAVFAC) Construction Quality Management for Contractors, September 2011  
Construction Safety Hazard Awareness Certificate, EM385-1-1, September 2011  
GPD SWAT Training with Special Operations Training Group (SOTG), On-going  
FEMA Incident Command, FEMA Emergency Management Institute, 2004  
FEMA Incident Command, Texas A&M Training, 2004  
FEMA Post Earthquake Safety Evaluation of Buildings, November 2004  
FEMA Debris Management, 2003  
Preliminary R-9 Partners Meeting, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Phoenix, Arizona, March 2001  
Managing Federal Finances, NHTSA, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 2001  
Lifesavers 2000, NHTSA, Atlanta, Georgia, March 2000  
Public Assistance Recovery Training & Workshop for Compliance Inspectors, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), 1999  
FHWA Value Engineering Training, 1995  
Value Engineering for Highways, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), March 1994  
Principles of Real Estate Acquisition – Engineering, Negotiations, Appraisal and Law, April 1994  
Leadership Skills for Rights of Way & Real Property Professionals, March 1993  
Introduction to the Management of National Park Resources, National Park Services, 1985

## AWARDS/RECOGNITION

Civilian Volunteer Police Reserve Officer of the Year, 2005  
Best of the Best Employee of the Year, 1997  
Supervisor of the Year, Large Agency (DPW), 1995  
Salutatorian, 9<sup>th</sup> Police Reserve Cycle, 1985

## SELECTED PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

### **Project Manager**

#### **Black Construction Corporation**

*Harmon Industrial Park, Guam*

*March 2019 - Current*

Provide on-site coordination and support for all phases of construction projects. Essential Functions and major responsibilities include coordinate required inspections with local jurisdictions, assist in obtaining permits or approval of revisions, identify conflicts in construction progress and communicate them to project team for resolution and participate at pre-construction meetings to name a few.

### **Deputy Director**

#### **Guam Department of Public Works**

*Upper Tumon, Guam*

*January 2019 – February 2021*

In the absence of and under the direction of the Department of Public Works Director, I directed and administered the programs and services vested under the Department of Public Works – Highway Engineering, Capital Improvement, Building Permits and Inspection, Building Maintenance, Transportation Maintenance, Solid Waste Management, Bus Operations and Government-wide Support.

My focus during this time was on federal highway projects and improvements at the DPW One Stop Center. With the onset of the COVID-19, I was involved in the Governor's Executive COVID response team to respond to the pandemic to include all logistics tied to the establishment of emergency quarantine shelters, establishment of emergency response centers (GMH, DPHSS, DOE, DOC, GRMC, etc.), food distribution island wide, transportation of quarantine and isolation individuals, identifying and establishment of non-congregate homeless shelters and all other duties as assigned.

### **Project Manager**

#### **Black Construction Corporation**

*Harmon Industrial Park, Guam*

*November 2013-January 2019*

Provide on-site coordination and support for all phases of construction projects. Essential Functions and major responsibilities include coordinate required inspections with local jurisdictions, assist in obtaining permits or approval of revisions, identify conflicts in construction progress and communicate them to project team for resolution and participate at pre-construction meetings to name a few.

Examples of project participation include Lotte Duty Free Store integration at the Guam International Airport (GIAA), Chuuk Airport Runway Coordination, GIAA Visitor Isolation Corridor, Port Authority of Guam Yard Expansion, Saipan Puerto Rico Dump Closure, Guam Ordot Dump Closure, Lockwood Housing Naval Station Base (Guam), Luen Fung Cold Storage Warehouse Construction and the Matson Building Headquarters (Guam).

### **Project Manager**

#### **Johnson Control**

*Taumuning, Guam*

*March 2011-October 2013*

Supervised the mechanical and electrical installation of energy saving equipment and upgrades. Secured required permits, licenses and clearances by Government of Guam agencies to include coordinating inspections with Guam Fire Department, Department of Public Works and others.

Main project was the Guam International Airport Authority installation of energy efficiency upgrades.



**Construction Management (Consultant)**

**Global Specialists Retailers, Inc. (GSRI) dba GAP, Aerosoles & Beauty Bar**

*Upper Tumon, Guam*

*October 2011-March 2020*

Assisted GSRI in rolling-out all stores back in February 2012 – June 2012 carrying the brands Gap, Gap Kids, Baby Gap, Beauty Bar, and Aerosoles with locations at the Plaza and Micronesia Mall. Assignments included the management of the project timetable to ensure target opening date is met; evaluated change orders and contract cost; evaluated Contractor's submitted certificates of payment based on the actual completion of the construction work, recommend adjustments as necessary prior to acceptance of said Certificates; facilitated transit of all owner supplied materials from port (or warehouse) to the construction sites; ensured Contractor complied with the construction permits, inspection certificates, certificates of occupancy and similar permits required by government agencies.

Other duties included the facilitation of hiring of key positions (initial interviews) and helped with posting of recruitment ads; coordinated with logistics provider for the release of shipment; coordinated with lawyers regarding procurement of business licenses and permits; sourced supplies and equipment (ex: provide recommendations for POS vendors, Anti-Shoplifting Systems, Store Supplies and Packaging); and Market Research as needed (ex: standard Fitting Room policies, Staff Uniform policies in the market, staff house).

**Deputy Director**

**Department of Public Works, Government of Guam**

*Upper Tumon, Guam*

*October 2010 - December 2010*

In the absence of and under the direction of the Department of Public Works Director, I directed and administered the programs and services vested under the Department of Public Works – Highway Engineering, Capital Improvement, Building Permits and Inspection, Building Maintenance, Transportation Maintenance, Solid Waste Management, Bus Operations and Government-wide Support. I directed Special Road Improvement Projects funded by Federal Compact Impact Obligations and planned, organized, and managed government construction projects to include new roads, buildings, and other government facilities. My responsibilities included contract negotiations, project estimating, permit clearance, site management, and maintenance. I implemented the consolidation and merging of similar program functions for cost effectiveness and efficient task execution and directed procurement of critically essential equipment utilizing approved federal funds.

I also directed the consolidation of tasks for vehicle maintenance programs to minimize manpower deficiencies and effectuated organized effective program performance. I was charged with the task of evaluating employees and recommending awards to deserving employees for outstanding performances and/or for service retirement. I also oversaw the Government of Guam's emergency operations for any man-made or natural disasters. As the Operations Chief at the Guam FEMA office, I was a designated "Emergency Operations First Responder", working in conjunction with Guam military personnel at the Naval and Air Force bases when it came to natural disasters, national defense, and other local emergency situations.

**Administrator**

**Chamorro Land Trust Commission, Government of Guam**

*Upper Tumon, Guam*

*2009 - 2010*

As the Administrator of the Chamorro Land Trust Commission (CLTC), I was charged with ensuring trust lands were efficiently and effectively awarded to native Chamorros through residential, agricultural, and commercial leases. CLTC's objectives are to act in the interest of beneficiaries, to maintain and uphold fiduciary responsibilities for the beneficiaries, and to exercise due diligence in the management of Chamorro homelands. CLTC currently has a trust land inventory of 12,731 acres or 51,520,529 square

meters. As directed by the Governor, I continued to provide collateral duties at the Department of Public Works as Chief of Operations and Emergency Operations coordinator. As the CLTC Administrator, I participated in strategic planning meetings with the Government of Guam and the Joint Guam Program Office (JGPO) planning group with regards to potential government land needed to support the Marine relocation efforts, to include the Pagat Mangilao proposed firing range.

### **Chief of Operations**

#### **Department of Public Works, Government of Guam**

*Upper Tumon, Guam*

2004 - 2009

I administered the programs and guidelines of the Operations Divisions – Bus Operations, Solid Waste Management, Transportation Maintenance, Highway Maintenance and Building Maintenance Division. I planned, organized, and managed Government construction projects, which included new roads, buildings and other government facilities. My responsibilities included contract negotiations, project estimating, securement of permits, site management and maintenance. I also oversaw management studies regarding standard operating procedures, and prepared and reviewed the overall budget for the Operations Divisions. I identified and implemented budget policies and procedures for Operations. I reviewed and finalized the budget ceiling for the Operations divisions and disseminated work projects accordingly to respective divisions.

I coordinated the successful, simultaneous development of several projects, ensuring all projects met implemented policies and procedures for safe, efficient, and effective operations. I was charged with the management of all functions of the Division of Verticals (GovGuam building CIP's), CIP's, Engineering and Buildings Permits and Encroachment. I also oversaw the Government of Guam's emergency operations for any man-made or natural disasters.

### **Operations Section Chief**

#### **Emergency Operations Center-Department of Homeland Security, Government of Guam**

*Hagatna Heights, Guam*

2003 - 2004

In this position, I assisted in the preparation, response, and recovery plans in regard to natural and man-made emergencies/disasters that affected the island, most particularly in the emergency response efforts after Super Typhoon Pongsona hit Guam. I assisted in the creation and enhancement of various standard operating procedures and emergency operations related to the Emergency Operations Center, and Guam Department of Homeland Security. I also served as the Infrastructure Protection Coordinator; primarily responsible for identifying the island's critical facilities, assessing protection needs, and preparing reaction and response plans to terrorist attacks or other man-made or natural disasters. I collaborated with other coordinators in the office and in the field, as well as with local and federal agencies/departments that had emergency response and incident investigation responsibilities. I was part of the team that created and justified the need for the Infrastructure Protection Coordinator position within the organizational structure of the Office of Guam Homeland Security. I also gathered information necessary to validate submission of critical site, importance, vulnerabilities, and force protection requirements to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. I trained at FEMA's Emergency Management Institute for debris management and incident command.

### **Director**

#### **Department of Public Works, Government of Guam**

*Upper Tumon, Guam*

2000 - 2003

As Director, I administered the programs and services vested under the Department of Public Works – Highway Engineering, Capital Improvement, Building Permits and Inspection, Transportation Maintenance, Solid Waste Management, Bus Operations and Government Wide Support. I planned, organized and managed government construction projects to include new roads, buildings and other government facilities. My responsibilities included contract negotiations, project estimating, securement

of permits, site management, and maintenance. I also directed the Special Road Improvements project funded by Federal Compact Impact Funds and administered the continuing Tipping Fee Program and addressed billing/collection problems to be corrected by a booklet method billing procedures for residential use (implemented during Fiscal Year 2002). I led the team that implemented the consolidation and merging of similar program functions for cost-effectiveness and efficient task execution. I directed procurement of critical and essential landfill equipment utilizing approved federal and local funds, and directed the consolidation of tasks for vehicle maintenance programs to minimize manpower deficiencies. I also effectuated organized effective program performance; implemented split shifts in Bus Operations and Solid Waste Scheduling to minimize and eliminate overtime work and pay; directed the review/analysis of other incidents of premium work and implemented the enforcement of established controls for appropriate time-keeping to deter premium pay when not earned. In addition, I instilled the "Equal Work for Equal Pay" work motto. I recognized and awarded deserving employees for outstanding performances and service retirements. I also oversaw the Government of Guam's emergency operations for any man-made or natural disasters.

In the years prior to 2000 and besides my Department of Pubic Works tenure, I also worked in various capacities for the Department of Land Management.

#### LATERAL DUTIES

##### **Police Reserve Officer**

##### **Guam Police Department (GPD)**

*Tiyan, Guam*

*1984 - Present*

As a Police Reserve Officer, I am assigned to Patrol Division and Special Operation Divisions when on official duty or assignments. Official duties and assignments included state dignitary protection to include President Clinton (1998), ongoing Congressional Delegation (CODEL) visits, other federal and state dignitaries, international and Oceania dignitaries.

In the past two years, I had the opportunity to coordinate and collaborate with the Special Operations Training Group (SOTG), USMC training on Guam in partnership with the GPD. I was able to secure and eventually participate with GPD on the Guam training sites to include the Piti Power Plant and the former hospital site.

REFERENCES: AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST.



Note that the Legislature has taken steps to ensure that any protected personal identifying information has been redacted or excluded in whole or in part in order to protect the privacy of any individual(s) whose information has been included as part of this transmittal.

**Government of Guam**

**GUAM POLICE DEPARTMENT  
RECORDS & IDENTIFICATION SECTION**

P.O. Box 23909  
Guam Main Facility, Guam 96921



June 28, 2023

**SUBJECT: CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD**

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August 30, 2023

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**OF**  
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**For Initial Registration of Land,**  
 Petitioner.  
**LAND REGISTRATION NO. LR 0001-23**  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a hearing has been set before this Court before the Honorable Judge Dana A. Gutierrez, Superior Court of Guam on:

TIME:	DATE:	PURPOSE OF HEARING
9:30 a.m.	September 6, 2023	Verified Petition for Registration of Land

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**For:** Welding Services  
**Bid Opening Date:** September 18, 2023  
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**Location:** Guam Solid Waste Authority, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

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**PUBLIC NOTICE ANNOUNCEMENT**

The Tamuning-Tumon-Harmon Municipal Planning Council will hold their Regular Monthly Meeting on Thursday, September 07, 2023 beginning at 6:30pm, in person at the Tamuning Community Senior Center. This meeting will broadcast live on the Tamuning Mayor's Office Facebook page.

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call
- II. Recitation of Pledge of Allegiance and *Inifresi*
- III. Approval of Minutes of August 10, 2023
- IV. Mayor/Vice-Mayor's Report - Village News
- V. Sister Military Command Report:
- VI. Old Business:
- VII. New Business: A. An application has been filed with the Department of Land Management, Division of Planning by: Benny S. Blas and Dorothy B. Tajjeron (Brother and Sister), c/o FC Benavente Planners, Summary Zone Change Application No. SZC2023-32 for a Zone Change from "R-1" (Single Family Dwelling) to "R-2" (Multiple-Family Dwelling) on Lot 4, BLK 2, T108. (Veronica Way, Jonestown) So that each co-owner will have a separate legal ownership of each unit.
- VIII. Committee Reports:
- IX. Public Comment:
- X. Announcements:
- XI. Adjournment:

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## **AGENDA**

Public Hearing • September 8, 2023 at 9:00 a.m.

Public Hearing Room, Guam Congress Building

**I. Call to Order**

**II. Opening Remarks/Housekeeping**

**III. Confirmation Hearing**

- a. **Appointment of Jesse G. Garcia to serve as a Member of the A.B. Won Pat Guam International Airport Authority, Board of Directors**
- b. **Appointment of Judith P. Guthertz to serve as a Member of the Port Authority of Guam, Board of Directors**
- c. **Appointment of Dorothy P. Harris to serve as a Member of the Port Authority of Guam, Board of Directors**

**IV. Closing Remarks/Announcements**

**V. Adjournment**



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**PUBLIC HEARING**  
 Appointment of Mr. Jesse G. Garcia to serve as a Member  
 of the Guam International Airport Authority, Board of Directors  
 Friday, September 8, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

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September 8, 2023

The Honorable Senator Amanda L. Shelton  
Legislative Secretary & Chairwoman  
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**REFERENCE: Testimony in Support of the Re-appointment of Jesse G. Garcia to the Board of Directors of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam**

Madame Legislative Secretary, and Honorable Members of the Committee on Air Transportation, I proudly submit testimony today in full support of the re-appointment of Mr. Jesse G. Garcia to the Board of Directors of the A. B. Won Pat International Airport Authority (GIAA), Guam.

Mr. Garcia's has been pro-active on the Board and its subcommittees, and is an active participant in policy making discussions and Board decisions to award capital improvement projects and facilities maintenance and development. Having formerly served most recently as Deputy Director of the Department of Public Works (DPW) and also as a senior Project Manager with Black Construction Corporation (BCC), he is well versed with the critical nature of our work in master planning and capital improvement programs for our island's only civilian airport. He additionally brings a valuable complement of knowledge with his history in law enforcement, essential in understanding the regulatory safety and security issues that govern an airport environment.

I have full confidence that Mr. Garcia, a.k.a "Jesse John," will continue to be a valuable asset to our board. He has the combined knowledge and experience to keep the airport moving forward, at a critical time in our airport's development. Your most favorable consideration and affirmation on this appointment is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023.

Sincerely,

BRIAN J. BAMBA  
Chairman, Board of Directors



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September 8, 2023

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**REFERENCE:** Testimony in Support of the Re-Appointment of Jesse G. Garcia to the Board of Directors of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam

*Buenas yan Háfa Adai*, Madam Legislative Secretary, and Honorable Members of the Committee on Air Transportation. I am proud to **submit testimony / appear and testify before you today** in full support of the re-appointment of Mr. Jesse G. Garcia to the Board of Directors of the A. B. Won Pat International Airport Authority (GIAA), Guam.

Jesse Garcia first joined the board in February of 2022, filling an unexpired term of former director Zenon E. Belanger. Since that time, Director Garcia has contributed greatly to the Board and exhibited leadership in the board Capital Improvement Projects sub-committee.

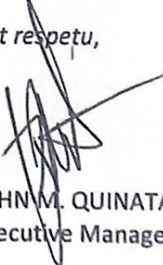
With his expansive career in the government and private sector, Jesse Garcia brings with him an acute awareness of government planning, capital improvement projects, procurement procedures, safety and law enforcement experiences and has worked intimately with federal regulatory agencies, such as the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). This experience is invaluable as the Board of Directors create policy and approve capital improvement programs, accept grant funding, and award Invitation(s) to Bid and Request(s) for Proposals for material, supplies, services and professional contracts.

During his 1 and ½ year term on the GIAA Board of Directors, he has expressed his own opinions at Board meetings that have proven insightful and beneficial to the Authority. We fully endorse his re-appointment to the GIAA Board of Directors.

I am confident that he will continue to serve the people of Guam, as he has over the years, with dedication and hard work.

Respectfully submitted this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September 2023.

*Put respetu,*

  
JOHN M. QUINATA  
Executive Manager



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**Nomination of Jesse G. Garcia to serve as a Member of the Board of Directors of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority to serve for a term of Three (3) years**

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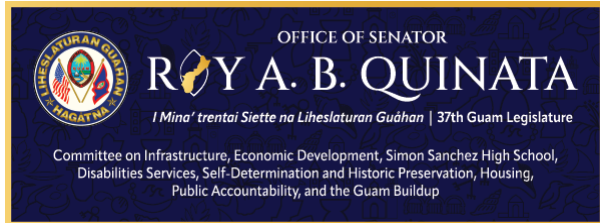
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## I. OVERVIEW

The Committee on Maritime & Air Transportation, Tourism, Park, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens convened a public hearing for the appointment of Jesse G. Garcia on Wednesday, September 8, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. at the Public Hearing Room at the Guam Congress Building. The appointment history is as follows:

- Appointment by *I Maga'haga Guahan* on June 23, 2023, to serve a term of three years from July 6, 2023, to July 5, 2026.
- Appointment Packet forwarded to *I Liheslatura* on June 30, 2023; and
- Appointment Packet forwarded to this Committee for public consideration on July 11, 2023.

### **PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIREMENTS**

Public Hearing notices were disseminated via email to all Senators and all main media broadcasting outlets on August 30, 2023, and again on September 1, 2023, fulfilling the 5-Day Notice and 48-Hour Notice of the Open Government Law requirements respectively.

### **SENATORS PRESENT**

Senator Amanda L. Shelton, *Chairwoman*

Senator Roy A.B. Quinata, *Member*

Senator Telo T. Taitague, *Member*

Senator Joanne M. Brown

Senator Thomas J. Fisher

### **ATTENDEES**

Jesse G. Garcia, *Appointee*

John M. Quinata, *Executive Manager, Guam International Airport Authority*

Brian J. Bamba, *Board Chairman, Guam International Airport Authority*

### **Written Testimony Submitted By**

Jesse G. Garcia, *Appointee*

John M. Quinata, *Executive Manager, Guam International Airport Authority*

Brian J. Bamba, *Board Chairman, Guam International Airport Authority*

## II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY AND DISCUSSION

The public hearing was Called-to-Order at 9:02 a.m.

**Chairwoman Amanda L. Shelton:**

Buenas and Hafa adai everyone. Good morning and welcome to the Guam Congress building.

The public hearing by the Committee on Maritime and Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens is hereby called to order. Today is Friday, September 8, 2023 and the time now is 9:02 a.m.

For the record and in accordance with the Open Government Law, notices for this hearing were sent on August 30th and again on September 1st. In addition, the hearing was noticed on the Guam legislature website and the public notice website.

Joining me here this morning, Senator Joanne Brown and Senator Tom Fisher, si Yu'os ma'ase' colleagues for being here this morning.

Before we proceed with the discussion I'd like to first provide some general rules of conduct for those in attendance. The conduct of this hearing shall be as follows. Written testimony shall be submitted to the committee - please provide the legislative staff with your written testimony for photocopying.

Testimony may be read and lengthy testimony should be summarized to about five minutes. Those testifying will be allowed to present written or oral testimony. Once you are done please remain in the room for questions or additional testimony as may be desired by members of the committee.

Testimony shall be confined to the nature of the agenda - the agenda is the appointment of Mr. Jesse G. Garcia to serve as a member of the Guam International Airport Authority Board of Directors.

The Chair will invite individuals who have signed up to testify to begin. Before speaking, individuals testifying shall first be recognized, and state your name and position for the record. The order of questioning will begin with the panel of senators who shall complete their lines of questioning on this agenda item.

Personal inference as to the character or motive of any Senator or any individual testifying is not permitted. Any violations of this general rule of conduct will result in removal from the public hearing room. Individuals who fail to maintain proper form may be restricted from providing oral testimony and/ or may be asked to leave or be escorted and removed from the room. Proper form and decorum shall be practiced by all present in the public hearing room.



The A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority Guam was created by Public Law 13-57 as an autonomous agency of the government of Guam, to own, maintain, and operate and develop airport facilities and properties. GIAA took over operations from the Department of Commerce in 1976 and since then has been the island's only commercial airport supporting domestic and international air travel for passengers and cargo.

GIAA, led by its board of directors and management, strives to ensure the safety and security of the traveling public and is dedicated to maintaining a superior and reliable level of airport services for our Island residents and tourists, and is committed to supporting the development of air linkages and facilities which are integral parts of the island's current and future economic growth.

At this time I'd like to invite our Board of Directors, Mr. Brian Bamba, followed by our Executive Manager, former Senator John Quinata, to provide their testimony before our nominee, Mr. Garcia. Mr. Bamba.

**Mr. Brian Bamba, Chairman, GIAA Board of Directors:**

Good morning and thank you Senator Shelton, Madam Legislative Secretary, and Honorable members of the Committee on Air Transportation. I proudly submit testimony today in full support of the reappointment of Mr. Jesse G. Garcia to the Board of Directors of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority Guam. Mr. Garcia has been proactive on the board and its subcommittees, and is an active participant in policy making decisions, discussions and board decisions to award capital improvement projects and facilities maintenance and development.

Having formally served most recently as a Deputy Director of the Department of Public Works and also as a Senior Project Manager with Black Construction Corporation. He is well versed with the critical nature of our work in master planning and capital improvement programs for our island's only civilian airport. Additionally, he brings a valuable complement of knowledge with his history in law enforcement and professional understanding of the regulatory safety and security issues that govern an airport environment. I have full confidence that Mr. Garcia, also known as Jesse John, will continue to be a valuable asset to our board. He has a combined knowledge and experience to keep the airport moving forward at a critical time in our airport's development. Your most favorable consideration and affirmation on this appointment is greatly appreciated. Sincerely, Brian Bamba, Chairman, Board of Directors Airport.

**Chairwoman Amanda L. Shelton:**

Thank you Mr. Bamba. Senator Quinata.

**Mr. John Quinata, Executive Manager, A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority, Guam:**

Good morning Honorable Senators of the 37th Guam Legislature - Senator Brown, Senator Fisher, and, of course, our oversight chair, Senator Amanda Shelton. Buenas and Hafa adai Madam Legislative Secretary and Honorable members of the Committee on Air Transportation.

I am proud to appear and testify before you today in full support of the reappointment of Mr. Jesse G. Garcia to the Board of Directors of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority Guam.

Jesse Garcia first joined the board in February of 2022 - filling an unexpired term of former Director Zenon Belanger. Since that time, Director Garcia has contributed greatly to the Board and exhibited leadership in the Board's Capital Improvement Projects subcommittee. With his expansive career in the government and private sector, Jess Garcia brings with him an acute awareness of government planning, capital improvement projects, procurement procedures, safety, and law enforcement experiences and has worked intimately with the federal regulatory agencies such as the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

This experience is invaluable as a Board of Directors creates policy and approve capital improvement programs, accepts grant funding, and awards invitations to bid and requests for proposals for materials, supplies, services and professional contracts during his one and a half year term on the GIAA Board of Directors He has expressed his own opinions at the board meetings that have proven insightful and beneficial to the authority. We fully endorse his reappointment to the GIAA Board of Directors. I am confident that he will continue to serve the people of Guam as he has over the years with dedication and hard work.

**Chairwoman Amanda L. Shelton:**

*Si Yu'os ma'ase'* Senator Quinata, Executive Manager, Guam Airport Authority. Is there anyone else who wishes to testify? Okay, I'd like to state for the record that we have other folks here in support of Mr. Garcia's nomination.

We have Mrs. Tina Garcia. We have Mr. Raymond Mantanona, Fire Chief from the airport. Mr. Anthony Quidachay from the airport. Ms. Marlene

Pinaula from the airport. And, the Vice Chair of the Board as well, Mr. “Bic” Solti. Welcome everyone. Thank you for being here.

Mr. Garcia.

**Jesse G. Garcia, Appointee:**

Good morning Chairperson Senator Amanda Shelton and members of the committee.

It is my honor to appear before you this morning as a nominee for a full three-year term on the GIAA Board of Directors. As you know I was appointed and confirmed to fill an unplanned board vacancy that occurred in 2022.

Over the past year I have learned a great deal about the aviation industry generally and in particular, the organizational and operational dynamics of our airport. The A.B. Won Pat airport is more than a key transportation hub, it is a vital economic link to the businesses and industries both locally and for the greater Micronesia region. Our airport brings together goods and people, and benefits to Guam, our neighbors close by and throughout Asia. It plays a critical role in the security of our island and in supporting the role of defense of our nation. During the past year I've become privy to the short-term, immediate, and long-term goals of the airport including planned improvements to the main terminal building and adjacent properties.

It became very clear in my tenure that there is a commitment on the part of both the airport board and the management team to work together to grow GIAA with our island for the benefit of the people. It is home to warehousing facilities, retail shops and restaurants. It interacts and answers to agencies both local and federal. It is home to companies both domestic and foreign, provides direct employment to hundreds of people in positions which are critical to the airport operations and broader tourism industry, and remains a source of indirect employment for hundreds more. All of this in support of its core mission which is of course is the safe efficient movement of passengers and cargo on dozens of arriving and departing flights 24/7, 365 days a year.

I believe good stewardship is about providing the way and means of management to keep the airport running at optimal performance while developing visionary policies in the initiatives for its continued success in the future.

It has been my privilege to serve on the GIAA Board of Directors this past year. It would be my honor to do so for another 3 years. Thank you and *Si Yu'os ma'ase'*.

**Chairwoman Amanda L. Shelton:**

*Si Yu'os ma'ase'* Mr. Garcia.

We'll begin with questions from the Senators here today, Senator Fisher. Before you begin, I'd also like to recognize Senator Taitague for joining us. Thank you very much.

**Senator Thomas Fisher:**

Thank you very much Madam Chair. I'm just, I was looking at your resume sir. It's very impressive. I really don't have any questions. I was just seeing some 31 years of government service - is that correct? And, it is very impressive. Department of Public Works. You've been a construction manager on many different projects in your career which, of course, is necessary at the airport so I don't really have any questions. I just wanted to highlight that you seem evidently qualified for the position. Thank you sir.

**Chairwoman Amanda L. Shelton:**

Thank you very much Senator Fisher.

Senator Brown.

**Senator Joanne Brown:**

I think Mr. Garcia is doing very well to get by that well with Senator Fisher. You know, I have to tell you a story because I've known Jesse Garcia for many years and I've also known his wife for many years and I didn't know they were married to each other. I thought wow these two good people at some point found each other because of course I've had the opportunity to work with your mom when I first became Senator 28 years ago and she worked at my office together for several years and I certainly appreciate looking back at those days.

Those early days when I was here and the only time I found out the two of you were married was I went to a graduation invitation for your daughter and then I realized they were in the same house and so that's how I found out that Tina and Jesse Garcia were married to each other. It's just one of those interesting moments but I don't have any questions for you. I see in your background having worked at Johnson Control you referenced that you were involved in energy efficiency up at the Guam Airport Authority as part of your duties there and a number of things I think. The fact that you were rehired back in the private sector even though you were pulled back for a short time to DPW, obviously your skill sets are well valued by Black Construction - to bring you back to work with them again, but what do you see in moving forward in your continued role on the board at the Guam

Airport Authority? What would you like to see expand further or contribute in terms of your efforts to improve the operations and efficiency of the airport?

**Jesse G. Garcia, Appointee:**

Basically the operations of the airport whatever happens up at the airport. I have a background in most of the operations at the airport, to the construction, to security. I feel I bring a lot of my knowledge to the airport, to help out with the operations.

**Senator Joanne Brown:**

Do you see something more you'd like to see improved because obviously with your background and construction, and we know that the airport just recently completed a major project up there in their expansion. What would you like to see that you feel you're going to be able to contribute and add on to the board and certainly the enhancement and improvement of the airport authority?

**Jesse G. Garcia, Appointee:**

There's still a lot of things that the airport needs to be improved and we're working on it with our other members and consultants that have been giving us information. We take it and analyze the operations and to make sure it'll work.

**Senator Joanne Brown:**

And, in your time that you've been there at the airport authority, how would you assess the airport's performance so far?

**Jesse G. Garcia, Appointee:**

There's still some challenges that we're working on and hopefully can get better.

**Senator Joanne Brown:**

Well I appreciate it. I know Mr. Garcia this is not the forum you care for very much. This is not your element but in your element, I mean, we've been able to see all the things you can do. I mean you're definitely, when they say you're a can-do person, I think a lot of people that know you would say that sums up Jesse Garcia because you are very resourceful. I mean, you can make things happen in the work that you do. And, as I mentioned, I think the fact that Black Construction pulled you back is much to their benefit because the skill sets that you have and the experience that you have is - not too many people walking around that have your capability. So, you certainly

have our continued support to serve on the airport board and appreciate your interest in wanting to continue your public service. Thank you. Thank you very much. Thank you Madam Chair.

**Chairwoman Amanda L. Shelton:**

Thank you very much Senator Brown.

Senator Taitague.

**Senator Telo Taitague:**

Thank you Madam Chair and good morning to my colleagues and especially to those who are here today to testify. *Hafa adai*, Tina. This goes, Tina, is so good to see you. You know and you're supporting, that you're allowing him to serve another three or well three years at least because just seeing without the you know the support of your family, I question it because it takes away time from the home when you serve on the board not just going to the meetings but outside of the meetings when you do the research. When you look at the documents in front of you and determine what's in the best interest of the airport. So, I appreciate that. Jesse, you are serving now from someone who left the airport or this is your second term?

**Jesse G. Garcia, Appointee:**

Zenon Belanger resigned from the board and as a director in 2022 and then I came in and came in for confirmation.

**Senator Telo Taitague:**

How long ago was that?

**Jesse G. Garcia, Appointee:**

It's about a little over a year and a half.

**Senator Telo Taitague:**

So, you've been there about a year and a half now right? So, you've had enough time to try and make a difference then right?

Okay, have you ever had a conflict of interest where you had to recuse yourself?

**Jesse G. Garcia, Appointee:**

Yes, there have been a couple times yes. I recused myself.

**Senator Telo Taitague:**

Then you have recused so it's good to know with good reason okay. The other one is, have you been attending all the board meetings?

**Jesse G. Garcia, Appointee:**

Yes, I haven't missed the board meeting only when I'm off-island. If I'm on-island I attend.

**Senator Telo Taitague:**

But, how many times have you missed a board meeting?

**Jesse G. Garcia, Appointee:**

Maybe about two times.

**Senator Telo Taitague:**

This wasn't going to be easy, you know that? But I will tell you one thing: DPW really lost a good man. I mean it. All the work that you've done there you've even been supervisor of the year at DPW at one point, so I'm sure that they're kicking themselves not giving you whatever you wanted to stay there. But the port has gained someone with a lot of wealth of knowledge, especially considering what happened in this typhoon with all the flooding that was going on at the hospital I mean... that too. That's on my mind but at the airport, to provide some, you know, ideas and suggestions how to rectify this issue because we're anticipating.

There might be another typhoon coming down the line because of what FEMA mentioned to us earlier so that's really good. But, there's something I'm hoping Jesse that you would also look into and try and beef up at the airport and that is cyber security. You know I brought this up before and the importance of it. I mean, this is a direction now that is taking on the world and at a faster pace and putting us all in harm's way. It's holding us hostage, so I hope that you look into that area because we're finding out other, the hospital, other agencies, the hospital, GCC, UOG, Docomo - they've all been hacked. So, the last thing we need is to have any kind of accident at the hospital by being hacked or you know in someone else's hands other than the airport. So, I hope that you really look into that and move in that direction of ensuring the security of the airport cyberly okay? Okay, other than that I'm gonna hold you to it and you have my support.

**Chairwoman Amanda L. Shelton:**

Thank you Senator Taitague.

I'd like to also welcome Senator Quinata. Do you have any questions for Mr. Garcia?

**Senator Roy A. B. Quinata:**

Good morning. Did you just get a haircut because you're coming here today? No, you have my full support. I know you're a tried and true individual. You're still the one no matter what disaster, you've always been at the front lines and in any, in any respect even in the private sector. You've always been a reliable person and I don't think there's anything to question about your career. Your career is older than me, is as old as me, 31. I'm only 26. So, I don't think I should be questioning anyone that has that kind of experience and that kind of expertise. So, with that being said Mr. Garcia, I wish you all the best and if my office needs to help you in any way, you know where to find me and you know how to call me.

**Chairwoman Amanda L. Shelton**

Thank you very much Senator Quinata. And, thank you to Mr. Garcia for your continued willingness to serve in this capacity and for your many years of government service. We understand you are a true asset to this board and so we look forward to moving your nomination quickly - so that you can continue serving. *Si Yu'os ma'ase'*.

With that, the time now is 9:23 a.m., and if there are any more testimonies that anyone would like to submit, they can send it to my office at [officeofsenatorshelton@guamlegislature.org](mailto:officeofsenatorshelton@guamlegislature.org) or drop it here to the Guam Congress Building.

*Si Yu'os ma'ase'* everyone. We are now in recess.

**III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

All discussions and testimonies presented to and received by the Committee affirm support for the appointment of Jesse G. Garcia. by Maga'håga Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero to serve as a Member of the Board of Directors of the Guam International Airport Authority.

The Committee on Maritime & Air Transportation, Parks, Tourism, Higher Education, and the Advancement of Women, Youth, and Senior Citizens hereby reports on the appointment of Jesse G. Garcia to serve as a member of the Guam International Airport Authority with the recommendation of TO DO CONFIRM.