

Candidate Biographical Sketches

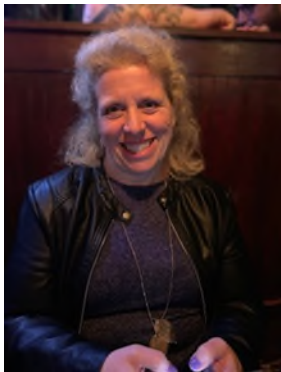


Michele Bennett, HR Operations Manager, City of Salem

Michele came to the City of Salem in 2015 as a Sr. Human Resources (HR) Analyst, focusing on employee relations. In 2017 she became the HR Operation Manager responsible for the operating policies and processes of the HR Department. Recently, the HR Department became a division of the new Enterprise Services Department. Michele remains the HR Operations Manager and is responsible for Employee and Labor Relations, Payroll, Benefits and the HR Operational policies and procedures. Michele has also obtained her Certified Labor Relations Certificate from the Public Employer Labor Relations Association.

Prior to working at the City of Salem, Michele worked in a variety of manufacturing industries across the United States, from Aviation to Agriculture as a HR Director.

In Michele's free time she is passionate about volunteering her time to youth organizations such as 4H and FFA, as a resource leader and contest judge.



Christina Longo, Labor and Employee Relations Manager, Metro

A recent transfer to the Portland area, Christina practiced Labor and Employee Relations for the State of New York for much of her career. In addition to leading collective bargaining negotiations, Christina investigates, responds to, and resolves employment discrimination complaints and union grievances. She enjoys working with managers to find solutions to improve employee performance and increase job satisfaction and retention.

Christina holds a Bachelor of English degree from Mount St. Mary's University, Los Angeles, and a Juris Doctor from the University of Notre Dame where she was Book Editor of the Journal of College and University Law. Outside of work, Christina loves to travel and regularly attends music events.