

WENDY BUCKNUM

LAFCO ALTERNATE COMMISSIONER

CURRENT TERM OF OFFICE: 2016 - 2020

Commissioner Bucknum, a Councilmember for the City of Mission Viejo, was first appointed to OC LAFCO by the City Selection Committee as an alternate in 2015. She was re-appointed for a second term in 2016.

Elected to the Mission Viejo City Council on November 4, 2014, Commissioner Bucknum brings to this office a wealth of practical business experience, history of community involvement, and a solid record of volunteerism.

Commissioner Bucknum has a strong background in business. For 21 years, she has been an employee of Professional Community Management of California, Inc. (PCM), and in July 2014 was promoted to vice president of business development for that company. In addition, she is a longtime member of the South Orange County Regional Chamber of Commerce/Economic Coalition Board, which she chaired in 2013-14.

Commissioner Bucknum has a long history of community involvement. Recently, she served four years on the Mission Viejo Community Services Commission and was chair of that commission in 2012. She is a member of the California Women's Leadership Association Board and of the Mission Viejo Elks Club. She is a regular participant in communitywide events such as the Mission Viejo Walk Against Drugs and the Inner Coastal Cleanup Day along Oso Creek Trail.

Residents of Mission Viejo since 1992, Commissioner Bucknum and her husband, Paul, have raised their two children in this planned community. During that time, she frequently has been a volunteer in classrooms, for sports teams, and at Mission Viejo Nadadores swim meets. She is a past board member for both the Mission Viejo High School Aquatic Boosters and the Football Boosters, and a past committee chair for Mission Viejo High School Grad Night.

Commissioner Bucknum is a businesswoman who will champion city policies that are fair, understandable, cost effective, and good for the economy. She is a mom who will partner with schools to give Mission Viejo youngsters a safe place to learn and a better chance in life. She is also a volunteer who understands the unique needs of kids and seniors and will support programs to serve both. Her goals are to preserve Mission Viejo's parks and open spaces, protect Mission Viejo's schools and neighborhoods, and to enhance the community facilities Mission Viejo residents use and enjoy.