

# California Political News: California Governor Brown Announces Appointments of Terrence O'Brien & Jonathan Yip



## **Governor Brown Appoints Terrence O'Brien to the California Energy Commission and Jonathan Yip to the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation**

SACRAMENTO, [CA](#) – California Governor [Edmund G. Brown Jr.](#) Tuesday announced the following appointments:

**Terrence O'Brien**, 68, of Sacramento, has been appointed senior advisor for forests in the Office of Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. O'Brien served in several positions at the California Energy Commission from 1979 to 2011, including deputy director of siting, transmission and environmental protection from 2002 to 2011. He was a senior consultant at Environmental Resources Management from 2012 to 2015 and a renewable energy consult-

ant for the U.S. Bureau of Land Management from 2012 to 2014. He is chair of the Sierra Nevada Conservancy Governing Board. O'Brien earned a Master of Arts degree in geography from the University of California, Davis. This position does not require Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$119,868. O'Brien is a Democrat.

**Jonathan Yip**, 36, of Elk Grove, has been appointed associate director of mental health at the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Division of Juvenile Justice, where he has been acting in the position since 2017. He was chief psychologist at the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Division of Juvenile Justice from 2016 to 2017, senior psychologist specialist at the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, Division of Health Care Services from 2015 to 2016 and served in several positions at North Kern State Prison from 2010 to 2015, including senior psychologist supervisor, senior psychologist specialist and clinical psychologist. Yip earned Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Arts degrees in psychology from the University of Notre Dame. This position does not require Senate confirmation and the compensation is \$173,592. Yip is a Democrat.

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