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September 2, 2025

County Executive Office

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**Neha Hoskins**  
Clerk of the Board

Christian Palmaz



Napa CA 94558



Dear Christian,

You have been a valued member of the **Napa County Airport Advisory Commission** representing Wine/Hospitality Industry. The term of your position will expire September 17, 2025. If you wish to request reappointment for another term, please check the following box:

- Yes, I would like my name, this letter and application forwarded to the Board of Supervisors for possible reappointment to the **Napa County Airport Advisory Commission**.

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If you have chosen to request reappointment, please check **one** of the two boxes below regarding your last application.

- I confirm that all the information on my last application is current.
- Some of the information on my last application is no longer current or is five (5) years old or older. I will submit a new or revised application.

(To complete a new application form either contact the Napa County Executive Office or go to the following link to complete your application online:

<https://www.countyofnapa.org/1420/Committees-Commissions>

After checking the appropriate box, **sign and date on the lines below and return this letter to the County Executive Office by mail, email, or fax.**

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE

**Sep 3, 2025**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

**Application for Appointment to Board, Commission, Committee, Task Force or Position**

Applicants appointed by the Board of Supervisors will be required to take an oath of office. All applications will be kept on file for one year from the date of application.

**Public Records Act**

Applications are public records that are subject to disclosure under the California Public Records Act. Information provided by the applicant is not regarded as confidential except for the addresses and phone numbers of references and the applicant's personal information including home and work addresses, phone numbers and email address.

**Form 700 Conflict of Interest Code**

[California Fair Political Practices Website](#)

Please note that appointees may be required by state law and county conflict of interest code to file financial disclosure statements.

**Which Boards would you like to apply for?**

Napa County Airport Advisory Commission: Submitted

**Category of Membership for Which You Are Applying**

Wine/Hospitality Industry

**Profile**

Christian

First Name

Palmaz

Last Name

Middle Initial

[Redacted]

Email Address

[Redacted]

Home Address

Suite or Apt

San Antonio

City

TX

State

78209

Postal Code

**Which supervisorial district do you reside in? \***



To find your supervisorial district go to <https://www.countyofnapa.org/1334/About-the-Board>, click on "Look Up My District" and enter your address.

[Redacted]

Primary Phone

Palmaz Vineyards  
Employer

COO  
Job Title

Ranch LLC (Genesee, CA)  
Partner, Cristamine Mining  
(Buenos Aires, Argentina)  
Occupation

## Education/Experience

Trinity University, San Antonio, TX — BS Business Management - Computer Science - 2007

## Name and occupation of spouse within the last 12 months, if married. (For conflict of Interest purposes)

CMO, Palmaz Vineyards

## Resume

[2025\\_Christian\\_Palmaz\\_AAC\\_Resume.pdf](#)

Upload a Resume

[Reco\\_for\\_Palmaz.pdf](#)

Letter of Recommendation or Supplemental Attachments

## Professional or occupational license, date of issue, and expiration including status

FAA Certificated Dual Airline Transport Pilot (Helicopter & Airplane) | DOI (original): Sep-2012

## References: Provide names and phone numbers of 3 individuals who are familiar with your background.

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[Redacted] - [Redacted] Cade Clark - Helicopters Association  
[Redacted] t [Redacted] ren Breedlove - FAA  
Designated Pilot Examiner, CFII [Redacted] Shane Shannon -  
FAA KAPC Certified Professional A [Redacted] fic Controllers  
Association (NATCA) Facility Representative [Redacted]

## Community Participation

**Please explain your reasons for wishing to serve and, in your opinion, how you feel you could contribute.**

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Dear Members of the Board of Supervisors, A small town's airport is arguably one of the most important resources available to any community. With less than 600 airports around the United States supporting commercial air carrier service, a vast majority of the U.S. is inaccessible via the airlines. Fortunately there are over 17,000 general aviation airports to help fill the gaps. Napa County's airports are a portal to the skies serving not only our local municipalities and private air travelers, but also provide beginnings of many pilot's careers. They employ hundreds of people directly and thousands more indirectly. Lastly, KAPC is single-handedly responsible for bringing invaluable support to our local industries. The AAC has served to provide an important interface between the airport community and the Board of Supervisors. Our Napa County airport has changed over the years as advances in air travel bring more services to a broader user base. The AAC needs active participation from a passionate team dedicated to promoting sustainable growth and increasing value to the community it serves. I believe my management background in the wine industry among other diverse businesses, coupled with being an active commercial pilot, make me a suitable candidate to continue my service on the AAC. I pledge a collaborative and open dialogue style in supporting the AAC's mission and hope the Board of Supervisors consider my application. Best regards, Christian Gastón Palmaz

**Nature of activity and community location**

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Activities surrounding the Napa County Airport as both a pilot and serving on the AAC.

**Other County Board/Commission/Committee on Which You Serve/Have Served**

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Napa County Airport Advisory Commissioner 2019 - Present

**Public Actions that may impact Credit Rating (List all court or other public administration actions impacting your credit rating within the past ten (10) years)**

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None.

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**Electronic Signature Agreement**

**I meet the criteria required to serve in this position.**

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Yes  No

**I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.**

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Yes  No

**Please Agree with the Following Statement**

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**By checking the "I agree" box below, you agree and acknowledge that 1) your application will not be signed in the sense of a traditional paper document, 2) by signing in this alternate manner, you authorize your electronic signature to be valid and binding upon you to the same force and effect as a handwritten signature, and 3) you may still be required to provide a traditional signature at a later date.**

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I Agree

Christian Palmaz

**Electronic Signature (First M. Last)**

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Christian G. Palmaz

**Date**

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September 3, 2025







## Professional Skills

Complex Business Development and Financial Management of companies specialized in advanced high-tech manufacturing, research & development, and luxury brand development

Directly responsible for over 500 employees within a variety of industries

Responsible for the global protection and management of over 700 patents

Advanced development of computer based machine learning, rapid R&D, and computational sciences

Advanced integration of GIS with a focus in agricultural application and resource management

Bilingual English and Spanish

## Community Involvement / Philanthropy

Napa County Airport Advisory Commissioner 2019 - Present

Co-Founder Rural to Rural - International Charitable Organization

Napa Sheriff Aero Squadron - Volunteer Pilot

Young Pilots Cadet Explorer Program - Helicopter and Airplane Content Contributor

NAPA – Napa Airport Pilot's Association Member

EAA Young Eagles - Volunteer Pilot

## References

James Andrews - Retired Sergeant, CHP Golden Gate Division Air Operations -

[REDACTED]

Cade Clark - Helicopters Association International Vice President -

[REDACTED]

Oren Breedlove - FAA Designated Pilot Examiner, CFII -

[REDACTED]

Shane Shannon - FAA KAPC Certified Professional Air Traffic Controller & National Air Traffic Controllers Association (NATCA) Facility Representative -

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August 22, 2019

Napa County Board of Supervisors  
1195 Third Street  
Suite 100  
Napa, CA 94559

Dear Board of Supervisors,

The Coombsville Vintners & Growers would like to recommend Christian Palmaz for the Airport Advisory Commission representing the Wine/Hospitality Industry. The airport is an important asset as it provides a critical air bridge for visitors supporting our industry. It's important that this position be filled with someone who both understands aviation and the industry's needs. Christian Palmaz, as CEO of Palmaz Vineyards and a long-time commercial pilot and user of the Napa County airport, is uniquely suited to fulfill the needs of this position and properly represent our industry's interests in the airport.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "T. Martin", written in a cursive style.

**Taylor Martin**  
President

**Rudy Zuidema**  
Vice President

**Kina Kreer**  
Secretary

**Kristi Devine**  
Treasurer