

Karen E. Purves, M.A. is one of four Citizen Members of the Air Pollution Control Hearing Board. She was first appointed by the Clark County Commissioners in November 2011. Karen is a successful entrepreneur having created and run her own business for over 14 years, *innovative impact*, where she is a Professional Speaker, specializing in communication and environmental topics. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration from Pepperdine University in Malibu, CA, and a Master's Degree in Public Policy from the Claremont Graduate University in Claremont, CA, and has lived in Las Vegas for eight years. Karen has served as an Adjunct Professor at Harper College in Palatine, Illinois and testified on animal and environmental issues at city, state, and federal levels. She also has started a non-profit, *Raising Resilience, Inc.*. Through this organization, she will co-facilitate a groundbreaking Parent-Toddler workshop series based on the latest research in brain development, which will strengthen parents' relationships with their toddlers by measurably improving children's emotional competence, taming behavior problems and reducing parenting stress, as well as strengthen the foundation of a child's sense of worth. Her term expires November 15, 2017.