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April 1, 2019

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

That approval be and hereby is given to the Attorney General to appoint Thomas J. Donovan (Position #9U258, Appropriation #02-20-20-201010-2621-013-500132) as an Assistant Attorney General at a salary level of \$100,876.02 effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or March 15, 2019, whichever is the latter.

EXPLANATION

Mr. Donovan is a resident of Manchester, a member of the New Hampshire Bar Association. Mr. Donovan received his law degree from the University of Pennsylvania Law School in 1978 and his undergraduate degree from Harvard University. Prior to joining the Department of Justice, Mr. Donovan worked at McLane Middleton for over thirty years. He then served in the United States Peace Corps in Botswana from 2012 through 2014. In January 2015, Mr. Donovan joined the Department as the Director of Charitable Trusts. I plan to continue him in that assignment. A copy of his resume is attached.

RSA 94:1-a(I)(c)(3) provides that designation of positions, salary levels, and salary increases for attorneys at the Department of Justice shall be determined by the Attorney General, subject to approval of the Governor and Council, within appropriations made to the Department of Justice.

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I am very pleased to offer Mr. Donovan for this reappointment as an Assistant Attorney General at the above-referenced salary amount and respectfully urge your favorable consideration. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,



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Thomas J. Donovan
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Current Employment

Director of Charitable Trusts

Exercises the Attorney General's common law and statutory oversight responsibility for more than 10,000 charitable organizations and trusts, as well as related matters. RSA 7:19 – 32-l. Reviews all acquisition transactions involving health care organizations. RSA 7:19-b. Investigates and where necessary litigates claims for breaches of fiduciary duty and violation of laws governing charities. RSA 7:24, 25, 28-f. Manages the Charitable Trusts Unit, a self-funded operation with nine staff. Implements ongoing transition to electronic filing of reports required of charities, fundraisers and others. Senior assistant attorney general.

Prior Employment

Partner, McLane Middleton

Business litigation practice for 34 years in 100-lawyer New Hampshire-based firm. Practice included representation of charitable organizations in legal matters. Management committee chair with responsibilities for income allocation, professional hiring, ethics and risk management.

Education

University of Pennsylvania Law School, JD
Harvard University, BA, magna cum laude
Phillips Exeter Academy, diploma high honors
Concord, New Hampshire native

Past and Present Community and Volunteer Work (Partial List)

United States Peace Corps Volunteer, Botswana

Manchester Board of School Committee, Finance Chair

Child and Family Services (now Waypoint), Board Chair

Palace Theatre Trust, Board Chair

Leadership New Hampshire, Board Chair

Norwin & Elizabeth Bean Foundation, Senior Trustee

St. Anne St. Augustin Parish, Finance Council Chair

Greater Manchester Chamber of Commerce, Director

United Way of Greater Manchester (now Granite United Way), Director

Manchester Conservation Commission, Member