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August 7, 2018

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 reappoint Lynmarie C. Cusack (Position #9U041, Appropriation #02-20-201010-2620-013-500132) as an Assistant Attorney General, at a salary level of \$84,810.00. Ms. Cusack will be occupying a position with a five year term effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval through September 4, 2023.

EXPLANATION

Ms. Cusack is a resident of Webster and is a member of the New Hampshire Bar. She received her law degree from Franklin Pierce Law Center in 1995, her Master's Degree in International Relations from Troy State University in 1991, and her Bachelor's Degree in Finance from Widener University in 1986. Prior to attending law school, she was a Captain in the United States Army. She was an Associate in the law firm of Gallagher, Callahan & Gartrell before she joined the Office in 2004. She was appointed as an Assistant Attorney General in 2005. She was named Senior Assistant Attorney General in 2016. Ms. Cusack is currently assigned to the Civil Bureau and I plan to continue that assignment.

2001 Laws of NH Chapter 158 amended RSA 94:1-a(I)(c)(3) to provide 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 Ms. Cusack's reappointment as an Assistant Attorney General at the above-referenced salary for your approval and respectfully urge your favorable consideration. Thank you.

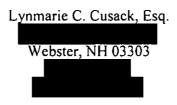
Respectfully submitted,

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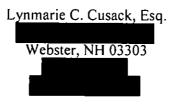


EXPERIENCE

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2004-Present Office of the Attorney General of New Hampshire, Concord, NH, Senior Assistant Attorney General Responsible for litigation and client counseling in the defense of various state agencies. Performs as lead counsel in jury trials in federal and state court. Drafts and files appellate court briefs in the New Hampshire Supreme Court and in the First Circuit. Attends administrative hearings. Manages more than 70 cases in any year including all types of civil claims ranging from basic torts, to medical malpractice, employment related cases and federal constitutional torts. Acts as lead counsel to the Department of Corrections and the New Hampshire Board of Medicine.

- 2002-2004 Gallagher, Callahan & Gartrell, P.A., Concord, NH, Energy/Utility Associate Responsible for representing energy, telecommunications and public utility clients in all aspects of regulation including administrative hearings before the NH Public Utilities Commission and the NH Department of Environmental Science. Member of multidisciplinary team which develops business strategies to assist clients in New Hampshire's rapidly evolving regulatory environment.
- 1999-2002 NH Public Utilities Commission, Concord, NH, *Staff Attorney & Examiner* Successfully represented commission staff in dockets involving energy, telecommunications and water companies. Advised the commissioners on legal issues. Represented the commission before federal agencies and the state legislature.
- 1997-1999 **Bouchard & Mallory L.L.C.,** Manchester, NH, *Litigation Associate* Insurance defense attorney represented clients in civil litigation and negations at both the state and federal level.
- 1996-1997 Douglas, Robinson, Leonard & Garvey, P.C., Concord, NH, Litigation Associate Represented Clients in energy, employment, civil rights and personal injury matters.
- 1993-1996 **Gary Meyers & Associates**, Washington, D. C.; Weare, NH, *Intern and Attorney* Represented clients charged with criminal offenses at the trial and appellate level. Also represented clients at administrative hearings involving military personnel issues. Lobbied Congress to change laws relating to the Armed Services.
- 1986-1992 United States Army, Fort Bragg, NC; Landstuhl, Germany Captain, Transportation Corps



LICENSES

Admitted to Practice in New Hampshire, Massachusetts, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces.

EDUCATION

Franklin Pierce Law Center, Concord, NH; JD, 1995 Troy State University, European Division; MS International Relations, 1991 Widener University, Chester, PA; BS Finance, 1986

• Academic Honors

PUBLICATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

- Presenter, National speaker at the Defense Research Institute on Corrections Law and regularly instruct at the Police Standards and Training Council
- Presenter, Land Use Seminar in conjunction with New Hampshire homebuilders Association, "Cell Tower Leases: Revenue Opportunities for Property Owners" (April 2004)
- Presenter, NH Water Works Association, "Capital Infusion Financing Your Infrastructure" (October 2003)
- Web Article, "Existing Power Lines May Hold Key to Broadband Competition" <u>www.gcglaw.com</u> (May 2003)
- Web Article, "Can Corporate Responsibility Save the Telecom Industry" <u>www.gcglaw.com</u> (August 2002)
- Moderator, BIA Water Symposium "NH Regionalization and Conservation Policy" (December 2002)
- Article, "Seat Belt Defense Why Not NH?" *NH Bar Journal* (September 1994)

COMMUNITY ACTIVITES/MEMBERSHIPS

- Town of Webster Board of Selectmen/Planning Board
- Vice-Chair NH Bar Committee on Energy/Telecommunications
- Nationally Certified Women's Lacrosse Umpire
- President of NHWLUA