

ATTORNEY GENERAL P15'21 PM 3:38 RCVD
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

4A SAM

33 CAPITOL STREET
CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE 03301-6397

JOHN M. FORMELLA
ATTORNEY GENERAL

JANE E. YOUNG
DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL



September 15, 2021

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 Nathan W. Kenison-Marvin (Position #9U607, Appropriation No. 02-20-20-201010-2620-013-500132) as an Assistant Attorney General, at a salary level of \$76,000, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or October 8, 2021, whichever is later, for a term ending September 16, 2022.

EXPLANATION

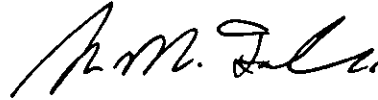
Mr. Kenison-Marvin is a Kensington resident and a member of the New Hampshire Bar. He graduated from Lafayette College in Easton, Pennsylvania in 2011. While a student at Lafayette he was Captain of the Varsity Rowing team and a GED Instructor at Northampton County Prison. He earned his Juris Doctor in 2018 from the University of New Hampshire School of Law where he was a Daniel Webster Scholar and a Constitutional Law Teaching Assistant. His legal studies included participation in both the Consumer and Commercial Law and Criminal Law Clinics and a Legal Residency with Chief Justice Robert Lynn at the New Hampshire Supreme Court. In 2016, he was a summer intern in the New Hampshire Department of Justice Civil Bureau. Between June 2018 and August 2020, Mr. Kenison-Marvin served as a New Hampshire Superior Court Law Clerk in Rockingham, Strafford, and Carroll Counties. He joined the Department in 2020 and has been serving in the Civil Litigation Unit. His salary will increase by \$3,000, from \$73,000 to \$76,000. I plan to continue his current assignment. A copy of his resume his attached.

RSA 94:1-a(1)(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.

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
September 15, 2021
Page 2 of 2

I am very pleased to offer Mr. Kenison-Marvin's appointment as an Assistant Attorney General at the above-referenced salary for your approval and respectfully urge your favorable consideration. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J.M. Formella". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

John M. Formella
Attorney General

#3301989

NATHAN W. KENISON-MARVIN

EDUCATION

University of New Hampshire School of Law
J.D. (2018)
GPA: 3.87
Daniel Webster Scholar
Constitutional Law Teaching Assistant

Lafayette College
B.A. in Geology and Government & Law (2011)
GPA: 3.99
Northampton County Prison GED Instructor
Varsity Rowing Captain

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (NH Bar Admission in May 2018)

New Hampshire Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General October 2020 – Present
Attorney (Civil Bureau)

- Litigate civil actions in New Hampshire Superior Court, New Hampshire Supreme Court, and the United States District Court for the District of New Hampshire. Represent the State of New Hampshire in defense of claims filed with the Board of Claims.

New Hampshire Superior Court June 2018 – August 2020
Law Clerk (Rockingham, Strafford, and Carroll Counties)

- Provided assistance to judicial officers in their process of ruling on contested motions in criminal and civil cases. Scrutinized voluminous evidentiary records and pleadings. Routinely used Lexis and Westlaw to conduct legal research.
- Participated in approximately twenty-five suppression hearings, five bench trials, and numerous hearings on motions for summary judgment, motions *in limine*, discovery motions, petitions for injunctive relief, motions for new trial, and administrative appeals.
- Researched legislative history at the state archives in Concord.

New Hampshire Superior Court April 2020 – August 2020
COVID-19 Return to Operations Committee

- Researched the legal implications of protective measures under consideration for the resumption of jury trials and grand jury proceedings.
- Drafted legislation passed by the General Court on June 30, 2020 that authorized the Superior Court's chief justice to convene a multicounty grand jury (HB 1249 ¶¶ 9–10).

Criminal Practice Clinic (UNH Law) Winter/Spring 2018
Rule 36 Student-Attorney (supervised by Attorney Behzad Mirhashem)

- Interviewed and advised clients charged with misdemeanor level crimes in Circuit Court. Requested and reviewed discovery. Negotiated plea agreements. Represented clients at hearings.
- Worked with Attorney Mirhashem to investigate, research, and draft a motion for new trial in federal district court.

New Hampshire Supreme Court Fall 2017
Legal Residency with Chief Justice Robert J. Lynn

- Reviewed appellate records. Provided research memoranda on several full opinions.

Rockingham County Superior Court
Law Clerk Intern

Summer 2017

- Assisted judicial officers by performing legal research and drafting memoranda of law. Attended hearings, jury selections, and trials.

Consumer and Commercial Law Clinic (UNH Law)
Rule 36 Student-Attorney (supervised by Attorney Peter Wright)

Fall 2016

- Interviewed and advised clients. Drafted pleadings. Sat first chair for trial in Circuit Court.

New Hampshire Department of Justice
Civil Bureau Summer Intern

Summer 2016

- Shadowed civil attorneys during client meetings, depositions, and mediations. Drafted research memoranda, advisory memoranda for clients, pleadings, and an appellate brief.

Carroll County Department of Corrections
GED Education Coordinator

August 2013 – August 2014

- Partnered with the Department's superintendent to re-establish a successful GED program for detainees. Led GED instruction and coordinated testing.

PERSONAL ACHIEVEMENTS

Successfully Litigated for Zoning Relief (2019-2020). Persisted through two zoning board denials and a Superior Court appeal to obtain a variance for a 1,400 sq. ft. detached accessory dwelling unit in ██████████, NH.

Mt. Washington Auto Road Bicycle Race (2018). Spent just over 58 minutes cranking up Mt. Washington at 7.8 MPH to record the second fastest race-time by a New Hampshire since the 1980s.

Appalachian Trail Thru-Hike (2012). Survived a 2,184.2-mile thru-hike from Georgia to Maine.
