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October 8, 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 appoint Erin E. Fitzgerald (Position #9U057, Appropriation #02-20-20-200510-2610-013-500132) as an Assistant Attorney General, at a salary level of \$66,437.50, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or November 9, 2018, whichever is the latter. Ms. Fitzgerald will be occupying a position with a term that ends on September 6, 2021.

EXPLANATION

Ms. Fitzgerald is a resident of Manchester, and a member of the New Hampshire and Massachusetts Bars. She received her law degree from New England Law, *magna cum laude*, in May 2013, and her undergraduate degree from Stonehill College in 2003. She joined the Department of Justice in November 2017 as an attorney in the Criminal Bureau. Prior to joining the Department, Ms. Fitzgerald worked as an Assistant County Attorney in Sullivan County from January 2017 through October 2017. In view of Ms. Fitzgerald's experience and performance over the past year, I am requesting her current salary be increased by \$3,000 from \$63,437.50 to \$66,437.50. This pay raise will become effective on November 9, 2018. A copy of her resume is attached. I plan to continue her assignment in the Criminal Bureau.

2001 Laws of NH Chapter 258, 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.

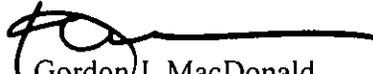
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I am very pleased to offer Ms. Fitzgerald's appointment as an Assistant Attorney General at the above-referenced salary for your approval and respectfully urge your favorable consideration. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,



Gordon J. MacDonald
Attorney General

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ERIN E. FITZGERALD

BAR INFORMATION:

Massachusetts State Bar, November 2013
New Hampshire State Bar, May 2016

EDUCATION:

New England Law | Boston, Boston, MA
Juris Doctor, magna cum laude, May 2013

GPA: 3.9

Class Rank: 4 of 266 Top 2%

Honors: *New England Law Review*, Executive Comment & Note Editor, 2012-2013; Associate, 2011-2012
CALI Excellence for the Future Award: Criminal Procedure, Spring 2012; Law & Ethics of
Lawyering, Spring 2012; Nonprofit Organizations, Spring 2012; and Contracts, Spring 2011
New England Law Review Scribes Award, 2012
New England Law Review Writing Editor of the Year, 2013
Academic Achievement Scholarship, All Semesters
New England Scholar, All Semesters
Dean's List, All Semesters

Publications: Erin Fitzgerald, Note, *The Fashion Police: Criminalizing the Knowing Purchase of Trademark Counterfeit Fashion Items*, 47 NEW ENG. L. REV. 127 (2012).

Activities: New England Law Mentor, 2011-2013

Stonehill College, Easton, MA

Bachelor of Arts in Psychology and Criminal Justice, May 2003

GPA: 3.2

LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

New Hampshire Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, Concord, NH

Attorney, November 2017-present

- Advise law enforcement officers during criminal investigations
- Present cases to investigatory grand jury
- Draft indictments and present cases to grand jury
- Engage in casework: motion practice; investigation and trial strategy; depositions; witness preparation; and trial practice
- Argue motions in superior court
- Research and write appellate briefs

Sullivan County Attorney's Office, Newport, NH

Assistant County Attorney, January 2017-October 2017

- Evaluated strength of cases and determined what, if any, charges to file
- Drafted indictments and presented cases to grand jury
- Conducted legal research, drafted pleadings, and argued motions in district and superior court
- Prepared law enforcement officers to testify

New Hampshire Supreme Court, Concord, NH

Judicial Law Clerk to the Honorable Carol Ann Conboy, August 2015-January 2017

- Performed legal research and drafted judicial opinions and orders for state supreme court justices

Hillsborough County Superior Court North, Manchester, NH

Judicial Law Clerk, August 2013-August 2015

- Performed legal research and drafted judicial orders for superior court judges
- Reviewed complaints and motions to determine legal issues involved and basis for requested relief

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

New England Law | Boston, *Adjunct Professor, Insurance Law, Fall 2016*

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE:

Texas Young Lawyers Association National Trial Competition, *UNH School of Law Team Volunteer, 2015, 2018*

New Hampshire High School Mock Trial State Competition, *Judge, 2015*

American Bar Association Law Student Division National Appellate Advocacy Competition, *Judge, 2014, 2015*

New England Law | Boston Legal Research & Writing II Appellate Oral Argument, *Judge, 2013, 2014*

University of New Hampshire Wildcat Mock Trial Invitational, *Judge, 2013*