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February 26, 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 Dianne H. Martin to Position #9U049 (Appropriation #02-20-20-201010-2620-013-500132) as an Assistant Attorney General at a salary level of \$108,981.87 effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or March 29, 2019, whichever is the latter. Ms. Martin will be fulfilling a position term which ends on June 14, 2021.

EXPLANATION

Ms. Martin is a resident of Deerfield and is a member of the New Hampshire Bar. She received her law degree from Boston College Law School in 2002 and her undergraduate degree from Saint Anselm College in 1996. Before joining the Department of Justice, Ms. Martin was a victim advocate for the City of Concord Prosecutor's Office from 1996-1998. From 2002-2004 Ms. Martin served as Legal Counsel to the New Hampshire Division for Juvenile Justice. In 2004, Ms. Martin joined the Department of Justice as an attorney in the Civil Bureau. In 2005, she was appointed as an Assistant Attorney General and remained in the office until 2006. For approximately six years, Ms. Martin was a contract attorney providing services to various state agencies.

In May 2013, Ms. Martin returned to the office and was assigned to the Transportation and Construction Bureau. In 2018, she was assigned to the Civil Bureau and served as the Department's procurement specialist. She was also designated a Senior Assistant Attorney General in 2018. Upon approval, she will be designated as an Associate Attorney General and will be the Chief of Staff. In this role she will manage, oversee and bear ultimate responsibility for the day-to-day operations of the office. She will also assist with strategic planning, the


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development and implementation of policies and procedures with respect to legislative relations, recruitment, retention and hiring and special projects as assigned by the Attorney General. I am requesting that her current salary be increased by \$24,822.87, from \$84,159 to \$108,981.87. This pay raise will become effective on March 29, 2019. A copy of Ms. Martin's resume is 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.

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

Respectfully submitted,



Gordon J. MacDonald
Attorney General

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DIANNE MARTIN



EDUCATION

J.D., Boston College Law School, Newton, MA - 2002

B.A., Saint Anselm College, Goffstown, NH - 1996

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

New Hampshire Department of Justice, Senior Assistant Attorney General

Civil Bureau May, 2018 – present
Legal counsel for all state executive agencies in the procurement, negotiation, and development of contracts, providing complex contract development and review.

Transportation & Construction Bureau 2013 – 2018
Legal counsel for the State of New Hampshire, Departments of Transportation, Safety, and Administrative Services, Division of Public Works. In that capacity, represented the State in civil and appellate litigation in state and federal court, and provided legal counsel and contract development and review. Served as counsel to the Department of Transportation in complex eminent domain cases.

Contract Attorney 2007 - 2013
Provided legal services to a variety of clients, including the Departments of Justice and Health and Human Services and various law firms. Drafted numerous successful pleadings and appellate briefs.

New Hampshire Department of Justice, Assistant Attorney General 2004 - 2006
Civil Bureau attorney providing legal counsel to government agencies. Performed civil litigation in state and federal court and appellate litigation at the New Hampshire Supreme Court.

New Hampshire Division for Juvenile Justice, Legal Counsel 2002 – 2004
General counsel to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division for Juvenile Justice, providing legal counsel, litigation services, document and contract review, and research and writing. Served as the Division liaison to the Legislature.

City of Concord, New Hampshire Prosecutor's Office, Victim Advocate 1996 - 1998
Served as in-house Americorps victim advocate for victims of domestic and sexual violence. Attended hearings and prepared victims for hearings and trials.

BAR ADMISSIONS

Admitted to the New Hampshire Bar - 2002

Admitted to the New Hampshire U.S. District Court Bar - 2002

Admitted to the United States Supreme Court Bar – 2014