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September 15, 2020

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 to Position #9U607 (Appropriation #02-20-20-201010-26200000-013-500132) as an Attorney at a salary level of \$64,000, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or October 9, 2020, whichever is later.

EXPLANATION

Mr. Kenison-Marvin is a Center Tuftonboro 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. Chief Justice Tina Nadeau selected him to serve on the Superior Court's COVID-19 Return to Operations Committee in April 2020. In light of Mr. Kenison-Marvin's experience, I am requesting he be appointed as an Attorney at a salary of \$64,000. He will be assigned to the Civil Bureau as a litigator. 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,

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subject to approval of the Governor and Council, within appropriations made to the Department of Justice.

I am very pleased to offer Mr. Kenison-Marvin's appointment as an Attorney 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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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
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE (NH Bar Admission in May 2018)

New Hampshire Superior Court June 2018 – Present

Law Clerk (Rockingham, Strafford, and Carroll Counties)

- Assist judges in ruling on contested motions in criminal and civil cases. Scrutinize voluminous evidentiary records and pleadings. Routinely use Lexis and Westlaw to conduct legal research.
- Drafted approximately 200 written orders applying various standards of review.
- 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 – Present

Return to Operations Committee

- Chosen by Chief Justice Nadeau to serve on the COVID-19 Return to Operations Committee.
- Advise the Committee on 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 will authorize 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

- Drafted two non-precedential final orders. Reviewed appellate records. Provided research assistance on several full opinions.

Rockingham County Superior Court Summer 2017

Law Clerk Intern

- Drafted orders and attended hearings.

Consumer & Commercial Law Clinic (UNH Law)

Fall 2016

Rule 36 Student-Attorney (supervised by Attorney Peter Wright)

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

New Hampshire Department of Justice

Summer 2016

Civil Bureau Summer Intern

- 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

August 2013 – August 2014

GED Education Coordinator

- 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 Kensington, 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 time by a New Hampshireite since the 1980s.

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