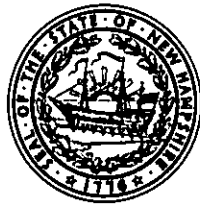


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December 18, 2019

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu
and the Honorable Council
State House
Concord, NH 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

That approval be and hereby is given to the Attorney General to grant a salary increase to Caitlin F. Poole, as an Attorney (Position #9U608, Appropriation #02-20-20-200510-2611-013-500132), from a salary level of \$61,000 to a salary level of \$62,000 **retroactive** to July 1, 2019 upon Governor and Executive Council approval.

EXPLANATION

In accordance with the 2001 N.H. Laws Chapter 158, Section 101, and 2018 N.H. Laws Chapter 162, Section 14, this request seeks your approval to grant a salary increase for Attorney Caitlin F. Poole. This item is **retroactive** because funds in the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 biennium budget were not available to submit this request prior to July 1, 2019.

Ms. Poole lives in Center Barnstead. She received her law degree from University of New Hampshire School of Law in 2019. Ms. Poole was a City of Dover Emergency Dispatcher from 2013 through 2017. She was a judicial intern for the 9th Circuit Court, Family Division in Manchester, New Hampshire from May through August, 2017, and a legal intern for the New Hampshire Public Defender from June through August 2018. Ms. Poole was a legal resident at Lothstein Guerriero, PLLC from August through December 2018, and the New England Innocence Project from March through May 2019. She joined the Department of Justice in August 2019 as an attorney in the Consumer Protection Bureau, Administrative Prosecution Unit. Ms. Poole's salary will increase by \$1,000, from \$61,000 to \$62,000. I will continue her assignment in the Consumer Protection Bureau, Administrative Prosecution Unit.

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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 respectfully urge your favorable consideration of this request. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gordon I. MacDonald", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gordon I. MacDonald
Attorney General

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