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October 2, 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 Lawrence M. Edelman, Position # 9U215, Appropriation # 02-20-20-201010-2620-013-500132 as an Assistant Attorney General, at a salary level of \$89,700, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or October 26, 2018, whichever is the latter. Mr. Edelman will be occupying a position with a term that ends on June 30, 2021.

EXPLANATION


Mr. Edelman is a resident of Concord, New Hampshire and a member of the New Hampshire Bar. He received his law degree from Boston University School of Law in 1981 and his undergraduate degree from Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri in 1978. He joined the Department of Justice in March 2018 as an attorney in the Civil Bureau. Mr. Edelman worked in Hampton, New Hampshire at Sanders & McDermott LLP from 1982-2003 and was a partner at Pierce Atwood LLP, Portsmouth, New Hampshire from 2003-2017. In view of Mr. Edelman's experience, I am requesting his current salary be increased by \$3,000 from \$86,700 to \$89,700. This pay raise will become effective on October 26, 2018. A copy of his resume is attached. I plan to continue his assignment in the Civil 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 Mr. Edelman'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,



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Work Experience

Attorney, Civil Bureau, New Hampshire Department of Justice, March 22, 2018 to the present.

Civil litigation, addressing claims made by and against state agencies before state and federal courts.

Pierce Atwood LLP, Partner, February 2003 – June 2017; Sanders & McDermott, PLLC, Predecessor by Merger to Pierce Atwood LLP, January 1982 – February 2003.

Civil/commercial litigation across a broad spectrum of subject matter, including representation of parties before New Hampshire executive departments and agencies and before state and federal courts, including superior/district, appellate and bankruptcy courts – that is, in a manner either aligned with or adverse to the State.

Bar and Court Admissions

New Hampshire (1982) and Massachusetts (1982); U.S. District Court (D. N.H.) (1982); U.S. District Court (D. Mass.) (1986); U.S. Court of Appeals for the First Circuit (1984)

Boards

Member, Joint Boards of N.H. Legal Assistance & Legal Advice and Referral Center, 2012-2017; Officer, 5-Person Executive Committee, 2014-2017

Member, Pro Bono Governing Board, N.H. Bar Association, 1990-1993

Pro Bono Awards

McKusick Community Impact Award (Pierce Atwood LLP), 2015

N.H. Bar Association Pro Bono Award, Housing and Consumer Rights, 2010

N.H. Bar Association Law Firm Pro Bono Award, Sanders & McDermott, 2002

Education

J.D., Boston University School of Law, May 1981

A.B., *magna cum laude*, *Phi Beta Kappa*, Washington University in St. Louis, Russian Language and Literature, May 1978