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November 13, 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 Rebecca D. Ricard, (Position #9U041, Appropriation #02-20-201010-2620-013-500132 as an Attorney at a salary level of \$61,500.00, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or December 7, 2018, whichever is the latter.

EXPLANATION

Ms. Ricard is a resident of Lebanon and is a member of the New Hampshire and Vermont Bars. She received her law degree from the University of New Hampshire School of Law in May 2016, and researched for the Environmental and Natural Resources Law Clinic at Vermont Law School from August 2015 through December 2015. Ms. Ricard was an intern with this office from August to December 2016. Since January 2016 she has been working as an Associate Attorney at Schuster, Buttrey & Wing, P.A. in Lebanon. In light of Ms. Ricard's experience, I am requesting she be appointed as an Attorney at a salary of \$61,500. She will be assigned to the Civil Bureau as a litigator. A copy of her resume is attached.

2001 Laws of NH Chapter 158 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. Ricard'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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REBECCA RICARD

EDUCATION

University of New Hampshire School of Law, Concord, NH

Juris Doctor, May 2016

Cumulative GPA: 3.15 out of 4.00

- American Assoc. of Justice Trial Advocacy Competition, Boston, MA; Spring 2015, 2016
- Warren B. Rudman Summer Fellow; Summer 2015
- Legal Research Teaching Assistant; Fall 2014

Vermont Law School, South Royalton, VT

Environmental and Natural Resources Law Clinic, Aug. 2015-Dec. 2015

- Researched and wrote summary judgment motions
- Participated in team strategy meetings, team projects, and client calls and meetings

BAR ADMISSION

New Hampshire Bar, December 2016 Vermont Bar, October, 2017

EXPERIENCE

Schuster, Buttrey & Wing, P.A.

Associate Attorney

Lebanon, NH Jan. 2016-Present

- Drafted complaints and answers to the NH Superior and Circuit Courts
- Conducted legal research and interviewed potential witnesses for cases
- Appeared in the NH Superior, Circuit, and Probate courts
- Negotiated settlements with opposing counsel

New Hampshire Attorney General's Office

Environmental Protection Bureau

Legal Intern

Concord, NH

Aug. 2016-Dec. 2016

- Drafted Petitions for Civil Penalties, Summary Judgment Motions, Answer to Complaint, and a Motion to Dismiss
- Organized and created indexes for discovery documents

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Office of Enforcement and Compliance

Summer 2015 Honors Law Clerk and Internship Program Participant

Washington, D.C. May 2015-Aug. 2015

New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services

Legal Intern

Concord, NH

May 2014-Aug. 2014,

VOLUNTEERING

New Hampshire Pro Bono Program

New Hampshire Law Line