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December 4, 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 Edward R. Sisson, Position #9U050 (Appropriation #02-20-200510-26110000-013-500132) as an Attorney, at a salary level of \$71,000, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or December 20, 2019, whichever is later.

# **EXPLANATION**

Mr. Sisson is a resident of Concord and a member of the New Hampshire Bar. He graduated, magna cum laude, from the University of New Hampshire School of Law in 2012 as a Daniel Webster Scholar. Mr. Sisson worked in private practice in 2012 at Sulloway & Hollis, PLLC. He was a hearings officer for the New Hampshire Department of Labor from 2013 through 2016. Mr. Sisson continued employment at the Department of Labor as Assistant Director of the Workers' Compensation Division from 2016 through 2019 and was appointed Division Director in February 2019. In light of Mr. Sisson's experience, I am requesting he be appointed as an Attorney at a salary of \$71,000. He will be assigned to the Consumer Protection Bureau. 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, 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. Sisson'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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#### Edward R. Sisson

#### **EXPERIENCE**

## New Hampshire Department of Labor, Concord, NH

Director Workers' Compensation Division, February 2019 - present

- Direct all aspects of workers' compensation division operations
- Develop and administer long term policies and procedures for the regulation of all employers, employees and insurance companies in New Hampshire
- Oversee staffing plans and personnel policies to accomplish division objectives
- Supervise billing of administrative fund for agency funding
- Conduct educational presentations on Workers' Compensation throughout New Hampshire

# New Hampshire Department of Labor, Concord, NH

Assistant Director Workers' Compensation, August 2016 – February 2019

- Enforced RSA 281-A:5 which requires all employers to maintain workers' compensation coverage
- Regulated and licensed self-insured employers, self-insured trusts, third-party administrators for self-insured employers and trusts, and employee leasing companies
- Coordinated the Workers' Compensation Vocational Rehabilitation and Job Modification programs
- Conducted educational presentations on Workers' Compensation throughout New Hampshire
- Supervised the Department of Labor's Coverage Unit

# New Hampshire Department of Labor, Concord, NH

Hearing Officer, December 2013 - August 2016

- Presided over administrative hearings as a representative of the Commissioner
- Researched, interpreted, and applied New Hampshire statutes, administrative rules and case law
- Issued final decisions consistent with New Hampshire law

## Sulloway & Hollis, PLLC, Concord, NH

Associate, September 2012 - June 2013; Summer Associate, May - August 2011

#### New Hampshire Public Defender, Keene, NH

Legal and Investigator Intern, May - August 2010

# Iron Mountain Records Management, Northborough, MA

Operations Supervisor, December 2008 - May 2009;

Special Projects Supervisor, February 2007 - December 2008

#### United States Navy

Surface Warfare Officer, January 2002 - July 2005

Auxiliaries Officer - USS Hopper (DDG-70), Pearl Harbor, HI

#### Boy Scouts of America Florida Sea Base, Islamorada, FL

Dive Boat Captain and Scuba Instructor, Seasonal Staff February - September of 2000, 2001 & 2006; May - August 2009

#### CREDENTIALS

New Hampshire Bar Association – active member

Justice of the Peace – New Hampshire

## **EDUCATION**

#### University of New Hampshire School of Law, Concord, NH

Juris Doctor, magna cum laude, Daniel Webster Scholar, May 2012

## University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA

Bachelor of Science, cum laude, Resource Economics, May 1999