



State of New Hampshire

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October 31, 2013

Her Excellency, Governor Margaret Wood Hassan
And the Executive Council
State House
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

REQUESTED ACTION

Pursuant to the provisions of RSA 4:8, Gifts to the State, authorize the Department of Administrative Services to accept the donation of a portrait of Executive Councilor Raymond S. Burton of Bath, New Hampshire, painted by artist Craig Pursley, also of Bath.

EXPLANATION

Executive Councilor Burton is the longest serving Executive Councilor in New Hampshire history and will be retiring at the end of his current term in 2014. His unwavering dedication and service to the people of the North Country and to the State of New Hampshire is well known throughout the state and Northern New England. In honor of this steadfast service, the Governor and Executive Council wish to accept this portrait for display in the Executive Council Office over the desk that has been Ray Burton's for so many years. The portrait will also be displayed on an easel in the Governor and Council Chambers for a period of six (6) months upon receipt by the State.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda M. Hodgdon".

Linda M. Hodgdon
Commissioner

**DEED OF GIFT FROM RAYMOND S. BURTON
TO
THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

1. I, Raymond S. Burton, the Donor, hereby give to the State of New Hampshire, the Donee, complete and absolute ownership, provided the specified conditions below are met, of the following work of art, together with all copyright in all media by any means or method known or hereafter invented, and associated rights that I have:
 - Craig Pursley, "The Public Servant," portrait of Ray Burton
2. The conditions of the deed of gift of "The Public Servant," shall be the following:
 - a. The "The Public Servant" portrait of Executive Councilor Raymond S. Burton shall be placed in Executive Council ~~chamber~~ ^{office} of the NH State House in a prominent location.
 - b. A plaque shall be visibly placed directly near "The Public Servant" portrait identifying the portrait as Executive Councilor Raymond S. Burton.
 - c. The Donee agrees that "The Public Servant" portrait shall physically remain at the home of the Donor so long as he is living. During the time of the Donor's physical possession of the portrait, the Donee shall release the Donor and his estate from any loss, damage, claim or injury resulting from any casualty. The Donor, his estate, agents, successors, or assigns shall not be liable for any loss, theft, or damage.
 - d. The Donee shall be responsible for all packing, transportation, insurance, and liability of the portrait once the Donee is eligible to take physical possession of the portrait and fulfill the conditions outlined in "a" and "b" above. The Donee shall assume all responsibility and liability, and shall hold harmless the Donor, his estate, agents, or successors.
3. The gift of the portrait described above shall be identified to the public and in the records of the State of New Hampshire, the NH State Library, and/or the NH Department of Cultural Resources as a gift of Raymond S. Burton.
4. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the subject of the gift of the portrait described herein is free and clear of all encumbrances and restrictions, and the portrait has not been imported into or exported from any country contrary to law.
5. Transfer of ownership of this gift, subject to the conditions outlined above, shall be completed upon signature of the Donor and Donee.




Raymond S. Burton, Donor

Oct 31, 2013
Date

338 River Rd.
Address

Bath, NH 03740
Address

I certify that I have the authority to accept this Deed of Gift from the Donor and have the authority to execute and fulfill the conditions placed on the gifts.

Donee's agent on behalf of the State of New Hampshire

Date

Address



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