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February 1, 2021

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 reappoint Jesse J. O'Neill (Position #9U602, Appropriation #02-20-20-200510-2610-013-500132) as an Assistant Attorney General at a salary level of \$80,000, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or February 17, 2021, whichever is later, for a term ending January 22, 2026.

EXPLANATION

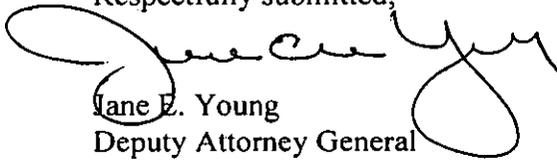
Mr. O'Neill is a resident of Deerfield and a member of the New Hampshire Bar. He earned his Juris Doctor from Boston College Law School in 2011 and his undergraduate degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He was an Assistant District Attorney at the Essex County District Attorney's Office in Lawrence, Massachusetts from 2011 to 2014. He joined the Department of Justice in 2014 and was initially assigned as an Attorney in the Consumer Protection Bureau. Mr. O'Neill was appointed as an Assistant Attorney General in 2015. He transferred to the Criminal Bureau in 2016, where he has focused on prosecuting drug offenses. He will continue to serve in that capacity and his salary will remain the same. A copy of his resume is attached.

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.

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I am very pleased to offer Mr. O'Neill's reappointment as an Assistant Attorney General at the above-referenced salary for your approval and respectfully urge your favorable consideration. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jane E. Young', written in a cursive style. The signature is positioned above the typed name and title.

Jane E. Young
Deputy Attorney General

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JESSE O'NEILL

EDUCATION

Boston College Law School Newton, MA
Juris Doctor May 2011
GPA: 3.42
Honors: *Boston College Environmental Affairs Law Review*
Managing Editor, 2010-2011; Staff Writer, 2009-2010
Publication: *The Citizen Participation Act of 2009: Federal Legislation as an Effective Defense Against SLAPPs*, 38 B.C. ENVTL. AFF. L. REV. 477 (2011)

University of Wisconsin-Madison Madison, WI
Bachelor of Business Administration: Finance, Investment, and Banking May 2008
GPA: 3.43
Honors: Dean's List (5 semesters)
Activities: Worked 20-40 hours per week to finance education

EXPERIENCE

New Hampshire Department of Justice Concord, NH
Office of the Attorney General
Assistant Attorney General (Drug Unit) September 2016–Present
Assistant Attorney General (Financial Fraud Unit) April 2015–September 2016
Attorney (Financial Fraud Unit) April 2014–April 2015

- Prosecute complex cases, including homicide, drug distribution with death resulting, tax evasion, fraud, and theft.
- Work with various law enforcement agencies to direct the investigation of complex crimes through the use of interviews, subpoenas, search warrants, and other means.
- Argued and briefed before the New Hampshire Supreme Court the issue of the mental state requirement for a criminal violation of the Consumer Protection Act.

Essex County District Attorney's Office Lawrence, MA
Assistant District Attorney (District Court Supervisor) January 2014–April 2014
Assistant District Attorney (Domestic Violence Unit) October 2011–January 2014

- Supervised approximately 10 prosecuting attorneys in one of the busiest Massachusetts criminal courts while simultaneously maintaining a full caseload.
- Conducted all phases of criminal prosecution, with a special emphasis on both felony and misdemeanor cases of domestic violence and sexual assault.
- Worked directly with victims and witnesses of criminal activity, as well as members of various law enforcement organizations, in order to prepare cases for trial.
- Coordinated multi-agency investigations of reports of child physical and sexual abuse with the goal of building the strongest case possible from the initial disclosure.

R. Brian Snow, Attorney at Law Nashua, NH
Intern (NH Rule 36 and MA Rule 3:03 Certified) January–April 2011

Essex County District Attorney's Office Lawrence, MA
Assistant District Attorney Intern (MA Rule 3:03 Certified) June–August 2010

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit Phoenix, AZ; San Francisco, CA
Judicial Extern for the Honorable Michael Daly Hawkins June–August 2009

SKILLS AND INTERESTS

- Fluent in Spanish
- Cycling, backpacking