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June 14, 2023

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 Christopher G. Aslin, to Position #9U038 (Appropriation #02-20-20-200510-2613-013-500132), as an Assistant Attorney General at a salary level of \$79,672, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or July 18, 2023, whichever is later, for a term ending July 17, 2028.

EXPLANATION

Mr. Aslin, a Concord resident, is a member of the New Hampshire Bar. He received a Bachelor of Arts in Biology from Dartmouth College in 1997, Master of Arts in Psychology from Vanderbilt University in 2002, Master of Environmental Management from Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies in 2007, and Juris Doctor, *summa cum laude*, from Vermont Law School in 2007. He practiced with Bernstein, Shur, Sawyer & Nelson, P.A. from 2007 to 2014. He joined the Department in 2014, has been assigned to the Environmental Protection Bureau since that date, and was designated a Senior Assistant Attorney General in 2018. He served as Chair of the New Hampshire Bar Association Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section from 2014 to 2015. I plan to continue his current assignment, and his salary will remain the same. 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 pleased to offer Mr. Aslin'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,



John M. Formella
Attorney General

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Christopher G. Aslin

Current Position

New Hampshire Office of the Attorney General, Environmental Protection Bureau, Concord, NH

Senior Assistant Attorney General, April 2018 – present;

Assistant Attorney General, June 2015 – March 2018;

Attorney, September 2014 – May 2015

- Represent the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services with respect to civil enforcement cases and defend appeals of agency decisions before the Environmental Councils
- Lead counsel on State's litigation against the manufacturers of PFAS
- Provide counsel to the New Hampshire Fish & Game Department and representation on property acquisitions and boundary disputes
- Provide counsel to the New Hampshire Department of Energy and representation in appeals
- Serve as Counsel for the Public before the Site Evaluation Committee in energy facility siting proceedings
- Provide legal advice and document review to state agencies, boards, and commissions on a variety of matters

Education

Vermont Law School, South Royalton, VT

Juris Doctor, *summa cum laude*, May 2007

- *Vermont Law Review*, Note Editor
- Research Assistant, Institute for Energy and the Environment; Teaching Assistant, Legal Research

Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies, New Haven, CT

Master of Environmental Management, May 2007

- Research Assistant, Yale Center for Environmental Law and Policy
- Master's project on the efficacy of market mechanisms in providing energy efficiency resources

Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

Master of Arts in Psychology, August 2002

Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH

Bachelor of Arts in Biology, June 1997

Prior Work Experience

Bernstein, Shur, Sawyer & Nelson, P.A., Manchester, NH

Attorney, September 2007 – September 2014

- Represented clients in all aspects of civil litigation before state and federal courts, including discovery, motions practice, both bench and jury trials, and appeals before the New Hampshire Supreme Court
- Represented clients in administrative adjudicative proceedings before numerous state and local tribunals, including the Wetlands Council, New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission, Bureau of Securities Regulation, New Hampshire Retirement System, and municipal zoning and planning boards

Natural Resources Council of Maine, Augusta, ME

Energy Efficiency Policy Intern, June 2006 – July 2006

- Researched and drafted white paper and comments to the Maine Public Utilities Commission regarding energy efficiency resource availability and deployment in Maine

United States Court of Appeals for the First Circuit, Concord, NH

Judicial Extern, January 2005 – April 2005

- Researched and wrote memos and draft opinions for the Honorable Jeffrey R. Howard, Circuit Judge

Vermont Supreme Court, Montpelier, VT

Summer Intern, June 2004 – July 2004

- Researched and drafted judicial opinions for the Honorable Paul L. Reiber, Associate Justice

The Wilderness Society, Washington, D.C.

Senior Program Asst., Appropriations, March 2003 – July 2003

- Coordinated a multi-group coalition advocating for the Conservation Trust Fund, a funding mechanism for federal and state land acquisition, local parks and recreation, and historic preservation programs

Office of Congressman Sherrod Brown, Washington, D.C.

Legislative Assistant, August 2002 – March 2003

- Advised Congressman Brown on energy, environment, economic, and international affairs policy and legislation

Leadership and Honors

- Chair, New Hampshire Bar Association Environmental and Natural Resources Law Section (2014-2015)
- President of the Board of Directors, New Hampshire Sustainable Energy Association (2013-2014)
- New Hampshire Bar Association Leadership Academy Participant (2010-2011)
- Super Lawyers "Rising Star" in Business Litigation (2011-2014)