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January 17, 2024

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 Andrew M. Kroeckel as an Attorney to Position #9U361 (Appropriation #02-20-20-200510-2904-013-500132) at a salary level of \$93,000, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or February 26, 2024, whichever is later.

EXPLANATION

Mr. Kroeckel, a resident of East Stroudsburg, Pennsylvania, is a member of the Pennsylvania and New Hampshire Bars. He earned a Bachelor of Arts from Ithica College in May 2003, and his Juris Doctor from the Pennsylvania State University, Dickinson School of Law in 2012. Mr. Kroeckel has been employed as an Assistant District Attorney with the Monroe County District Attorney's Office since 2015. As an Assistant District Attorney, he handles all stages of a criminal case and is experienced working with law enforcement, conducting preliminary hearings, pretrial litigation and trials, and addressing direct appeals, collateral relief and federal habeas petitions. Throughout his time at the Monroe County District Attorney's Office, Mr. Kroeckel maintained a consistent caseload of 250 to 300 cases, logging countless hours of courtroom experience, including hundreds of evidentiary hearings. He has conducted more than 35 jury trials, and served as co-counsel on several homicide cases, including a complex capital case. Mr. Kroeckel is relocating to New Hampshire over the next few weeks. In light of Mr. Kroeckel's experience, I am requesting that he be appointed as an Attorney at a salary of \$93,000. He will be assigned to the Criminal Justice Bureau's Drug Prosecution Unit. His resume is attached.

RSA 21-M:3 and RSA 94:1-a(I)(c) provide that the designation of positions, salary levels, and salary increases for attorneys at the Department of Justice shall be determined by the

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Attorney General, subject to approval of the Governor and Council, within appropriations made to the Department of Justice.

I am very pleased to offer Mr. Kroeckel's appointment as an Attorney 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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Andrew M. Kroeckel, Esq.

State of New Hampshire, November 2023

Supreme Court of the United States, January 2021

United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit, March 2020

United States District Court for the Middle District of Pennsylvania, March 2018

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, October 2012

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

Monroe County District Attorney's Office

Assistant District Attorney

Stroudsburg, PA

Jan. 2015 – Present

Represent the Commonwealth throughout all stages of criminal proceedings in misdemeanor and felony cases, from preliminary hearing to pretrial litigation to plea negotiations or trial to appeal to PCRA's. Maintain a consistent caseload of 250 to 300 cases. Conducted more than 35 jury trials and hundreds of other evidentiary hearings. Co-counsel on multiple homicide prosecutions, including a multi-defendant capital case. Member of task force investigating and prosecuting Drug Delivery Resulting in Death cases. Litigate federal *habeas* issues, filing briefs in the Middle District and Third Circuit, arguing before the Third Circuit and co-authoring a Writ of Certiorari with the Supreme Court.

The Law Office of Andrew M. Kroeckel

Sole Practitioner

Bethlehem, PA

Sept. 2014 – Dec. 2015

Represented clients in Title VII, Family Law and Dependency matters.

Court of Common Pleas of Monroe County

Judicial Law Clerk for the Hon. Jonathan Mark

Stroudsburg, PA

Aug. 2012 – Sept. 2014

Independently researched and drafted opinions and appeal statements. Drafted orders. Researched and prepared memos on a wide range of criminal and civil issues.

EDUCATION

The Pennsylvania State University

The Dickinson School of Law, University Park, PA

J.D. Conferred May 2012

Internships: Hon. Renée Cohn Jubelirer, PA Commonwealth Court (Fall 2011);

PA Governor's Office of General Counsel, DOC (Summer 2011);

Hon. Arthur Zulick, Monroe County Court of Common Pleas (Summer 2010)

Research Assistant: Michael Foreman (Civil Rights); Thomas Place (1st Am.)

Member of Penn State Law's Civil Rights Appellate Clinic

Associate editor, Yearbook on Arbitration & Mediation Law Review, Published

Ithaca College, Ithaca, N.Y.

B.A. Conferred May 2003 (Print Journalism)

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Lehigh County/Trexler Nature Preserve

Allentown, PA

Trail builder

Sept. 2008 – July 2009

Independently designed and built trails as part of the master plan to reclaim the preserve after 20 years of neglect, helping in the land conservation efforts in the Jordan Creek watershed.

The Express-Times

Easton, PA

Sports writer

Jan. 2008 – May 2008

Provided beat coverage of two sports across 25-plus high schools, as well as general assignment coverage when needed, generating my own story ideas and angles.

The Pocono Record

Stroudsburg, PA

Sports writer

Dec. 2004 – Jan. 2008

Worked cooperatively as a part of the sports staff in the editing, designing and laying out of the section. Provided beat coverage of five sports across eight high schools.

Roswell Daily Record

Roswell, NM

Sports editor

Aug. 2003 – Dec. 2004

Managed the sports department, responsible for assigning, editing, and writing stories. Also designed and laid out the section for publication.