

**ATTORNEY GENERAL  
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE**

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November 13, 2025

Her Excellency, Governor Kelly A. Ayotte  
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 Laurie S. Young to Position #9U288 (Appropriation #02-20-20-200510-2620-013-500132), as an Assistant Attorney General, at a salary level of \$93,000, effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval or December 13, 2025, whichever is later, for a term ending September 1, 2028.

**EXPLANATION**

Ms. Young, a resident of Madbury, earned her Bachelor of Arts in Secondary English Education from Toccoa Falls College in Georgia in 2011, and her Juris Doctor from the University of New Hampshire School of Law in 2014. During the summer of 2013, she was a Janet D. Steiger Fellow in our Consumer Protection and Antitrust Bureau. Following law school graduation, she was hired as an Associate Attorney at Wyskiel Boc Tillinghast and Bolduc, where her practice focused on complex litigation matters, administrative hearings, and appeals to the Social Security Appeals Council and Federal District Court. Ms. Young joined the Office of Public Guardian as a Staff Attorney in 2017, and litigated matters related to guardianship in state and federal court as well as appeals to the New Hampshire Supreme Court. She returned to Wyskiel Boc Tillinghast and Bolduc in 2022 to oversee complex probate and property issues, including breach of fiduciary duty claims. From 2023 until she joined the Department of Justice in 2025, she was Litigation Counsel for the New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and a liaison to this Department's Civil Litigation Unit for DHHS-related litigation. Ms. Young has been active in her community as a Commissioner of the Dover Housing Authority (2023 to present), member of the New Hampshire Women's Bar Association Board (2023 to present), member of the Board of Directors of the Symore Osman Community Center (2015 to present), and co-chair of the New Lawyers Committee of the New Hampshire Bar Association (2022 to 2024). She is admitted to practice law in New Hampshire and Maine.

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Ms. Young joined the Department earlier this year and was assigned to the Civil Bureau's Civil Litigation Unit. I plan to continue her current assignment. Her salary will increase by \$3,000 from \$90,000 to \$93,000. A copy of her resume is attached.

RSA 21-M:3 and RSA 94:1-a(I)(c)(3) provide that the 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.

I am very pleased to offer Ms. Young's appointment 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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# Laurie Smith Young

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## Professional Experience

### **New Hampshire Department of Justice**

*Attorney, Civil Litigation Unit*

*June 2025 – present*

- Represent various state agencies in State and Federal trial courts, particularly in discovery issues, and aid in complex cases requiring discovery expertise.
- Implement internal policies for best practices in civil discovery and collaborate with state agencies to help them implement best practices in civil discovery.
- Manage DOJ's e-discovery platform and implement data management processes.
- Collaborate with bureaus across DOJ for complex discovery or data issues.
- Provide training regarding discovery tools and search terms for DOJ attorneys and staff.
- Manage outside counsel regarding discovery and databases.
- Maintain active caseload of various litigation matters.

### **New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services**

*Litigation Counsel*

*July 2023 – June 2025*

- Acted as liaison to the NH Department of Justice Civil Litigation Unit to ensure discovery obligations are met, as directed by DOJ civil litigators, by translating discovery requests to DHHS program areas and reviewing responses for completion.
- Maintained docket of DHHS litigation and keep stakeholders within DHHS informed on status and discovery obligations
- Organized discovery meaningfully and efficiently.

### **Wyskiel Boc Tillinghast and Bolduc, PA**

*Attorney*

*March 2022 – June 2023*

- Handled complex probate and property matters as directed by the court, including breach of fiduciary duty claims and management of wayward estates and guardianships mishandled by prior attorneys or fiduciaries.
- Assisted clients in the administration of Trusts and Estates.
- Represented clients for landlord-tenant issues.
- Advised clients on Medicaid planning and other public benefit issues in estate planning.

### **Office of Public Guardian**

*Attorney*

*October 2017- March 2022*

- Litigated probate court matters related to guardianship on behalf of the organization, including termination of guardianships, electroconvulsive therapy, and other various motions as needed.
- Prosecuted involuntary commitments of wards to designated receiving facilities and state institutions.
- Litigated district court matters to protect or uphold ward's rights in small claims and landlord tenant courts.
- Appeared in Federal and Superior Court matters as needed, such as for Habeus Corpus matters.
- Provided knowledge base on public benefits and supervise all administrative appeals regarding public benefits, such as Social Security, Medicaid, and area agency services.

## **Wyskiel Boc Tillinghast and Bolduc, PA**

*Associate Attorney*

*October 2014 – October 2017*

- Assisted in complex litigation matters including organizing discovery, drafting pleadings and memorandums of law.
- Advocated for federal benefit claimants, including bringing appeals before the Federal District Court, before administrative hearings, and before the Social Security Appeals Council.
- Represented clients for landlord tenant matters, including negotiated agreements and eviction proceedings in District Court.

## **New Hampshire Department of Justice**

*Janet D. Steiger Fellow*

*Consumer Protection and Antitrust Bureau*

*Summer 2013*

Drafted briefs and research memoranda, including a NH Supreme Court criminal appeal. Organized discovery for ongoing investigations of NH Consumer Protection Act violations. Researched antitrust issues at the state level.

## **National Education Association of New Hampshire**

*Public Interest Fellow and Law Clerk*

*Summer 2012*

Educated union members about legal issues by giving presentations. Researched and drafted memoranda of law for the supervising attorneys. Prepared and attended hearings at various administrative agencies. Authored documents to inform union members about current legal issues.

## **Education**

### **University of New Hampshire School of Law**

Honors: Doris Monroe Rapee Memorial Scholarship recipient

Activities: Trustee and Dean Liaison; Student Bar Association 2L Governor; Admissions Ambassador; Teen Court Mentor; America Reads Tutor

**Toccoa Falls College**, B.S. in Secondary English Education

## **Bars Admissions**

Admitted to practice law in New Hampshire, Maine (inactive), USDC New Hampshire, USDC Vermont and USDC Maine.

## **Notable Experience**

### **State Trial Experience**

Advocated for clients in 50+ bench trials in probate and district courts throughout the state of New Hampshire. Advocated for clients in numerous hearings in family and Superior Court.

### **Federal Experience: United States District Court of New Hampshire, Maine, and Vermont**

Represented federal benefit clients in both written brief and appellate oral argument in federal courts throughout New England, maintaining a successful contingency-based appellate practice.

### **New Hampshire Supreme Court Experience**

Argued, in brief and oral argument, an issue of first impression regarding an incapacitated person's right to marry; Argued, in brief only, an appeal setting the standard of review for guardians consenting to electroconvulsive therapy. Participated in writing numerous other arguments for other probate and property matters.

### **Administrative Hearing Experience**

Represented clients seeking public benefits in 100+ administrative hearings cumulatively before the Social Security Administration and numerous other hearings before the State of New Hampshire Administrative Appeals Unit.

## **Community**

**Dover Housing Authority**  
*Commissioner, 2023- present*

**New Hampshire Women's Bar Association**  
*Board Member, 2023 - present*