# **FACT SHEET**

# **Regulatory Commission of Alaska**

**Board: Regulatory Commission of Alaska** 

**Board identification number: 200** 

Department: COMMERCE, COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

**Authority:** AS 42.04 – AS 42.06

Status: Active

Sunset date: June 30, 2022

Requirements: Legislative Confirmation and Financial Disclosure

**Prohibitions:** A member or an employee of the commission may not have an official connection with, hold stock or securities in, or have a pecuniary interest in a public utility or pipeline carrier within the state. A member of the commission is disqualified from voting upon any matter before the commission in which the member has a conflict of interest.

Term: 6 years

Chair: Commission selects.

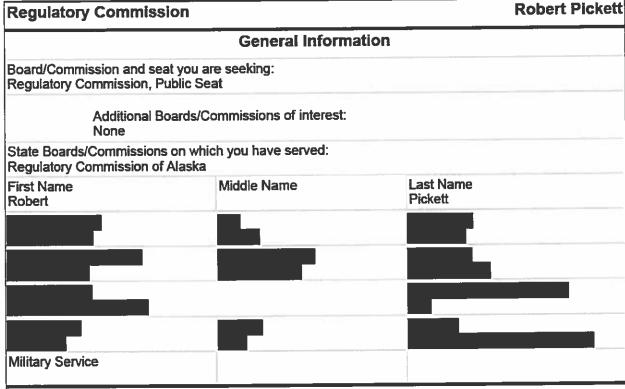
**Description:** The board consists of 5 members appointed by the Governor. To qualify for appointment as a commissioner, a person must be a member in good standing of the Alaska Bar Association or have a degree from an accredited college or university with a major in engineering, finance, economics, accounting, business administration, or public administration. Actual experience for a period of five years in the practice of law or in the field of engineering, finance, economics, accounting, business administration, or public administration is equivalent to a degree.

**Function:** The board regulates public utilities by certifying qualified providers of public utility and pipeline services and ensuring that they provide safe and adequate services and facilities at just and reasonable rates, terms, and conditions. This keeps rates as low as possible while allowing the utility to earn a fair return. The Commission also determines the eligibility and the per kilowatt-hour support for electric utilities under the Power Cost Equalization program (AS 42.45).

**Special facts:** When a vacancy occurs in the office of chair, the commission may nominate one of its members to serve the remaining term as chair. The chair may be elected to not more than three successive terms as chair. After a year of not serving as chair, the commissioner is eligible for election as chair again.

Compensation: Members' salaries at Range 27; exempt service

Meetings: Continuous hearings throughout the year.



#### **Conflict of Interest**

Full disclosure of personal financial data under AS 39.50.010 is required for certain boards and commissions. Are you willing to provide this information if required for the board or commission which you are applying?

Yes

Service in a public office is a public trust. The Ethics Act (AS 39.52.110) prohibits substantial and material conflicts of interest. Is it possible that you or any member of your family will benefit financially by decisions to be made by the board or commission for which you are applying? If you answer 'yes' to this question you MUST explain the potential financial benefit.

Please explain the potential financial benefit

## **Employment History**

Employment work history including paid, unpaid, or voluntary.

Regulatory Commission of Alaska-2008-Present

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation-1987-2008

Self Employed—Real Estate Sales and Consulting—1979-1987

Alaska Highway Department/DOT—Surveyor/Material Testing---1976-1979

United States Forest Service—Sitka—Surveyor—1975

National Student Lobby—Washington DC—Legislative Director-1974-1975

# Education, Training, Experience & Qualifications

List both formal and informal education and training experiences:

BA Political Science—University of Idaho—May 1973

Graduate Work in Finance and Economic Policy—External Degree Student—University of London—2009-2012

List any professional licenses, certifications, or registrations and dates obtained that may be used as qualifying criteria:

Essentials for NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection-July 2017

SANS Oil and Gas Summit---October 2018

ICS/SCADA Security Essentials—October 2018

SANS Oil and Gas Summit—September 2019

ICS Cybersecurity for Managers—September 2019

List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received. Regulatory Commission of Alaska---Commissioner/Chair---2008-Present Alaska Housing Finance Corporation---Planner/Manager---1987-2008 Habitat for Humanity Mat-Su---Founder/Board of Directors---1993-Present

#### **Conviction Record**

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor within the past <u>five</u> years or a felony within the past <u>ten</u> years?

No

Conviction Circumstances

## **Certification of Accuracy & Completeness**

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Resume Addendum:

Resume: Robert M. Pickett

## Background:

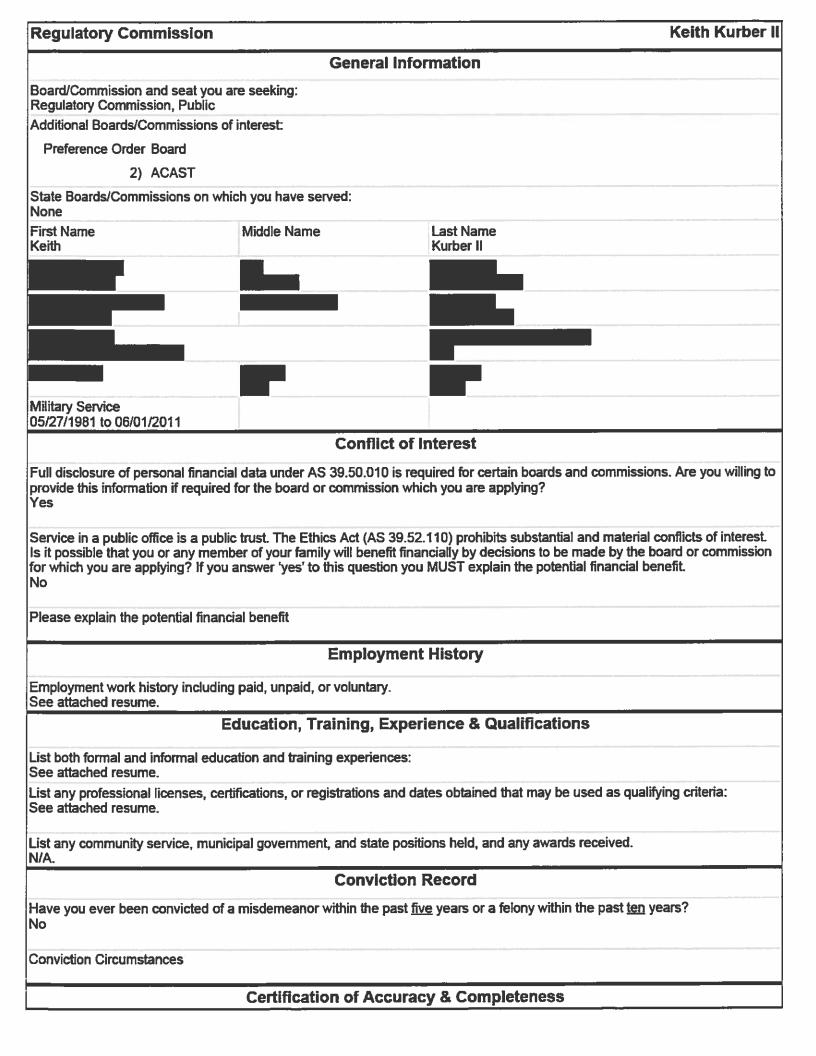
- Experienced regulatory Commissioner with a demonstrated history of working with the public utility, pipeline and telecommunications industries.
- Skilled in government, management, leadership, strategic planning, and public speaking.
- Extensive knowledge of electric and pipeline reliability standards, particularly in critical infrastructure protection and cybersecurity.
- Member of the National Association of Regulatory Commissioners (NARUC) Committee on Gas and Committee on Critical Infrastructure.
- Member of IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) Control System Society, Electromagnetic Compatibility Society, and the Power and Energy Society.
- Member of the North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB)
   Advisory Council.

# **Experience**

- Commissioner and current Chairman of the Regulatory Commission of Alaska---March 2008 to March 2021.
- Alaska Housing Finance Corporation---March 1987 to February 2008. At AHFC, was responsible for the development and maintenance of the State of Alaska's Consolidated Housing and Community Development Plan. Managed housing technical assistance programs. Program Manager for Alaska's Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program. Created AHFC's HOME CHOICE homebuyer education program. Coordinated AHFC's emergency housing response to the 1996 Miller's Reach fire affecting more than 400 households. Successfully managed the disposition of more than 7000 foreclosed properties, and the settlement of more than \$300 million in primary and pool mortgage insurance claims.

### Education

- ICS Security Summit and Training---March 4-13, 2021
- Oil & Gas Cybersecurity Summit and Training---October 2-10, 2020
- Oil & Gas Cybersecurity Summit and Training---ICS Cybersecurity for Managers---September 16-22, 2019
- Oil & Gas Cybersecurity Summit and Training---ICS/SCADA Security Essentials---October 1-6, 2018
- ICS-Houston Summit Training---Essentials for NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection---July 10-15, 2017
- SOAS University of London---Graduate work in Finance and Economic Policy, External Degree Student---2009-2012
- University of Idaho---Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), Political Science and Public Administration, 1970-1973



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NAME

Keith C. Kurber II

#### DEGREE(S)

DMin, Ministry, Luther Rice College and Seminary, GA, 2018. MLitt, Organizational Leadership, Oxford Graduate School, TN, 2018. BS, No Major, United States Military Academy, NY, 1981.

# OTHER EDUCATION

Diploma, Rhema Bible Training Center, Broken Arrow, OK, 1993.

Diploma, U. S. Army C&GSOC, Ft Leavenworth, KS, 1991.

Diploma, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Ft Leavenworth, KS, 1988.

Diploma, Infantry Officer Advanced Course, Ft Benning, GA, 1987.

Diploma, U.S. Army Infantry Officer Basic Course, Ft Benning, GA, 1981.

U.S. Army training schools: Ranger (1979), Airborne (1981), Pathfinder (1982), Jumpmaster (1982), Air Assault (1982), Special Forces Qualification Course (1983), Military Freefall (1983), Combat Diver (1984), Combat Diver Supervisor (1987), Battalion Pre-Command (1997), Psychological Operations Officer Course (2000), Civil Affairs Officer Advanced Course (2001), Defense Emergency Preparedness Course (2003), Reserve Components National Security Course (2004), Brigade Pre-Command (2004).

#### EXPERIENCE SUMMARY

Over 30 year's military experience as an Infantry and Special Forces Officer, retiring in the rank/grade of Colonel/O-6. U.S. Army Command and General Staff Officer Course graduate. Successfully completed tour of duty as Garrison Support Unit Brigade Commander and Infantry Battalion Commander. Strong organizational and interpersonal communication skills. Proven ability to lead, manage, and perform in military and civilian organizations.

Leadership/ Supervisory Skills: Command experience (all levels) up to Brigade in the combat arms field. Five years Plans and Operations staff officer experience. Five years of experience in Joint Operations. Planned and directed many training exercises for both Active and Reserve component units (up to battalion-sized). Combat Training Center experience Joint Regional Training Center, Ft Chafee/Polk. Experience in Joint, Combined, and Multinational training exercises in Europe, Africa, Republic of Korea, and Mongolia. Combat tours in support of both Operations Enduring Freedom I and XIII (2001-2002, 2009) and Iraqi Freedom V (2007).

Management/ Administrative Skills: Over 30 years of managing multi-track career in Active/Reserve component military and public safety/public sector/ministry positions. Eighteen years management experience as an associate pastor and pastor. Completed formal management training programs (military, private sector, and corporate) and can apply a variety of management methods. Strong ability to gather, analyze, and evaluate information. Applies complex problem-solving methods and techniques. Good working knowledge of management information systems.

Previously held Top Secret/Special Background Investigation security clearance.

# OTHER EMPLOYER EXPERIENCE

2010 - 2020, Pastor, Harvest Church, Fairbanks, AK.

2005 - 2010, Pastor, Abundant Life Church, Wasilla, AK.

2002 - 2004, Associate Pastor, Door of Hope Church, Fairbanks, AK.

1995 - 2002, Airport Safety Officer II, Fairbanks Airport Police & Fire, Fairbanks, AK.

1994 – 1995, Manager, National Federation Of Independent Business, Fairbanks, AK.

1993 - 1994, Programs Associate, Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, Fairbanks, AK.

1991 - 1993, Loss Prevention Supervisor, Tulsa Marriot, Tulsa, OK.

#### MILITARY EXPERIENCE

2009-2011, Joint Training and Exercises Officer, AK ARNG.

2009, Mobilized for GWOT/OEF, CJSOTF Deputy Commander.

2007-2009, Assistant Chief of Staff, USAR, US Army Special Forces Command.

2007, Mobilized for GWOT/OIF, CJSOTF LNO to MNCI.

2004-2007, Brigade Commander, USAR Garrison Support Unit.

2003-2004, Plans Team Chief, USAR.

2002-2003, Emergency Preparedness LNO, USAR.

2001-2002, Mobilized for GWOT/OEF, SOCCENT Operations Officer.

2000-2001, USSOCOM Deputy Personnel Officer, USAR.

1999-2000, Group Executive Officer, AK ARNG.

1997-1999, Infantry Battalion Commander, AK ARNG.

1995-1997, Infantry Battalion Intelligence Officer (S2) and Operations Officer (S3), AK ARNG.

1993-1995, Infantry Company Commander, AK ARNG. 1993, Brigade and STARC Staff Officer, OK ARNG.

1991-1992, Infantry Company Commander, OK ARNG.

1991, SF Group Headquarters and Support Company Executive Officer, Active Duty.

1990, SF Group Personnel Officer, Active Duty.

1989-90, SF Detachment Commander, Active Duty.

1988, SF Group Assistant Operations Officer, Active Duty.

1987-1988, SF Detachment Commander, Active Duty.

1985-1986, SF Battalion Assistant Operations Officer, Active Duty.

1984-1985, SF Detachment Commander, Active Duty.

1984. SF Detachment Executive Officer, Active Duty.

1982-1983, Infantry Platoon Leader, Active Duty.

#### Publications, Awards & Honors

Paul Harris Fellow, Rotary International. Numerous awards and decorations from the US Army to include the Legion of Merit and two Bronze Stars.

#### **ASSOCIATIONS**

Ordination through Rhema Ministerial Association International, Association of Graduates USMA, Endowment Life Member National Rifle Association, Life Member Military Officers Association of America, Life Member Disabled American Veterans, Life Member Special Forces Association.