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The Honorable Gary Stevens
Senate President
State Capitol, Room 111
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

The Honorable Michael Chenault
Speaker of the House
State Capitol, Room 208
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Dear President Stevens and Speaker Chenault:

Alaska Statute 24.60.130(b)(3) designates the Chief Justice of the Alaska Supreme Court to nominate the five public members who sit on the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics. The terms of two current public members will expire in 2009.

In my capacity as Chief Justice, and pursuant to AS 24.60.130(b)(3), I am nominating the two incumbents whose terms are expiring for an additional term. The contact information for these nominees is as follows:

(1) Herman G. Walker, Jr. Mr. Walker is an attorney and business owner in Anchorage and can be reached at (907) 279-2889. His mailing address is 606 E Street, Suite 203, Anchorage, Alaska 99501. For purposes of determining compliance with AS 24.60.130(c), Mr. Walker is non-partisan.

(2) Dennis "Skip" Cook. Mr. Cook is an attorney in Fairbanks and can be reached at (907) 452-1855, ext. 111. His mailing address is 714 4th Avenue, Suite 200, Fairbanks, Alaska 99701. For purposes of determining compliance with AS 24.60.130(c), Mr. Cook is non-partisan.

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Please let me know if I can provide you with any other information.

Sincerely,



Dana Fabe
Chief Justice

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cc: Herman G. Walker, Jr.
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PERSONAL

Born: 2/8/40, Fairbanks, Alaska

Parents: Earl & Pat Cook of Fairbanks

Married: Olga (Blair) Cook, Boise, Idaho, June 22, 1963

Children: Tyler, 41; Bret, 39; Dana, 37; Zachary, 33;

Katie, 28; Lizzie, 25; Whitney 21;

and 21 grandchildren + 1 great-grandchild

EDUCATION & CREDENTIALS

Admitted to practice law in the State of Alaska since 1970.

J.D., Willamette University College of Law, Salem, OR; 1967-70.

M.A., Political Science, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL; 1962-63.

B.S., Economics, Politics & Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA.; 1958-62.

Diploma, Fairbanks High School, Fairbanks, AK; 1954-58.

Elementary School, Attended Immaculate Conception School, 1946-1949, and Fairbanks Public Schools, 1945 & 1949-1954.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Tanana Valley Bar Association (Officer positions: Secretary and Vice-President)

Alaska Bar Association

American Bar Association

EMPLOYMENT CHRONOLOGY

Partner/Shareholder, Cook Schuhmann & Groseclose, Inc., Fairbanks, AK; 1972-present.

Expertise in workers' compensation, commercial law and domestic law.

Started as associate in 1970.

Distribution Representative, Alaskan Adventures, Inc., Fairbanks, AK; 1969-70.

Distributed the hunting/fishing film "This Is My Alaska" to movie houses from Colorado to the West Coast.

Registered Representative, Horton, Geib & O'Rourke, Inc., Salem, OR; 1968-69.

Sold mutual funds as a part time job while attending law school.

Clerk, Oregon State Police, Salem, OR; 1967-68.

Performed office clerical functions while attending law school.

General Manager, Alaska 67 Centennial Exposition, Fairbanks, AK; 1965-67.

Started as Assistant General Manager; promoted on the GM's departure.

Planned, developed and directed construction of theme park now known as Alaskaland.

Planned and coordinated exposition activities celebrating Alaska's purchase from Russia in 1867.

Acting Director, Alaska Local Affairs Agency, State of Alaska, Juneau, AK; 1963-65.
 Started as Assistant Director; promoted to Acting Director on director's departure.
 Assisted local governments in the formation of boroughs.
 Initiated revision and consolidation of Alaska Statutes Title 7 and Title 29 into the Alaska Municipal Code.

Election Supervisor, Alaska Division of Elections, Fairbanks, AK; 1963
 Conducted the election on the formation of a borough under the Mandatory Borough Act.

Various Employment Prior to 1963: Employed by the Alaska Railroad (freight handler),
 U.S. Civil Service (clerk-typist), University of Alaska Geophysical Institute (laborer),
 DEWline in Northern Alaska (warehousman), Foodland Store (cheese-cutter), Ray's Supermarket (boxboy/stocker) and Fairbanks Daily News-Miner (paperboy).

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS

Fairbanks Distinguished Citizen Award (December, 2003).
 Vigil Honor, Order of the Arrow, Boy Scouts of America; 2003.
 Outstanding Service Award, Alaska Bar Association Pro Bono Program; 1998.
 Silver Beaver Award, Midnight Sun Council, Boy Scouts of America; 1997.
 Blue Ribbon Volunteer Service Award: Tanana Valley State Fair Association; 1989.
 Rotarian of the Year, Fairbanks Rotary Club; 1985.
 Distinguished Service Award, Jaycees of Fairbanks; 1967.
 Valedictorian, Fairbanks High School; 1958.
 Explorer Scout Exchange to Greece, Boy Scouts of America; 1957.
 Citizens Now Conference, BSA, Willamette University, delegate; 1956.
 Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America; 1953.

CIVIC & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Blood Donor, MIT and Fairbanks Memorial Hospital; 1970-2003
 10 Gallon Club Member.

Member, Select Committee on Legislative Ethics, State of Alaska; 1998-present.
 Chair, 2000-2001, Chair, Senate Subcommittee, 2001-2002.

Fairbanks Chair, Alaska Family Coalition; 1999.
 Promoted Constitutional Amendment regarding marriage.

Member, Community Activity Center Site Selection Committee; 1985-86.
 Reviewed and selected site for multi-million dollar John Carlson Center in Fairbanks.

Fairbanks Representative, MIT Educational Council; 1971-present.
 Interview, advise and recommend prospective applicants to MIT.

AFFILIATIONS

The church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.
 Branch President, Bishop, District President, State President,
 Regional Representative, Seminary Teacher, Temple Sealer,
 Family History Center Co-Director.

Boy Scouts of America, Midnight Sun Council.
 Scoutmaster, Council Board and Executive Committee Member
 (President 1998-2000), Merit Badge Counselor.

Rotary Club of Fairbanks, 1977-present.
 Director, Secretary, Treasurer, President 1993-94.

Rotary International District 5010.
 District Governor, 2005-2006.

Tanana Valley State Fair Association.
 Board Member, 1970-1984, President 1974-1984.

Interior Alaska Adoptive Parents, Western Association of Concerned Adoptive Parents
 Founding Member.

Beta Chapter, Chi Phi Fraternity, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
 President 1961-62.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology.
 Educational counselor - 1970 - present

