

STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
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BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPLICATION FORM

INSTRUCTIONS

A separate application is required for each position for which you apply. Complete and specific answers will aid in rapid and accurate processing of your resume. Please type or print legibly in ink. Forward to the above address. Be sure your answers are true. A willfully false answer may result in your disqualification or removal from office if you are appointed.

Board or Commission and seat for which I am applying: WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS
(For example, Board of Agriculture, public seat) COMMISSION

Please list any other State Boards or Commissions on which you currently or previously have served:

GOVERNOR'S LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION c 1995-2002

Name: DEIRDRE D. FORD

AS 39-05-100 requires that a person appointed to a state board or commission be a registered voter prior to the last general election:

Are you a registered voter: YES ☒ NO ☐ Voter Registration Number (Optional): _____

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

YES ☐ NO ☒ if "YES", explain the circumstances on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to this application. A conviction is not necessarily grounds for disqualification. The number of convictions, nature, recentness, and relationship to the board position applied for, will be evaluated and a determination will be made after a review of all relevant facts.

CONFLICTS 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 ☒ NO ☐

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? YES ☐ NO ☒

If you answer 'yes' to this question you MUST explain the potential financial benefit.

TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE: (If resume attached, it is not necessary to complete items A-D)

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

ALASKA BAR ASSOCIATION, 1985 -
CALIFORNIA BAR

- B. List both formal and informal education and training experiences: (Use additional paper if necessary).

SEE ATTACHED RESUME

- C. List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received. Include both compensated and uncompensated positions (such as president of a service organization or a mayor). Include length of time serviced.

SEE ATTACHED APPLICATION

- D. Employment work history – paid, unpaid or voluntary: (Use additional paper of necessary).

SEE ATTACHED RESUME

CERTIFICATION: I certify the information I have entered on this form is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I deliberately conceal or enter false information on the form my application may be rejected, I may be removed from the list of eligible candidates, or I may be removed from the position. I agree that the Office of the Governor may contact present or former employees or other persons who know me to obtain an additional information about my skills and abilities. I understand that the information on this application is public information and may be released through a legal request for such information.

Signature (in ink):  Date: 8-12-2016

Please attach a current resume with your application.



STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Name: Debbie D Ford Date: 8-12-2016

(Indicate top three boards/commissions of interest by number with #1 as your preference)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Accountancy Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Aerospace Corporation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Aging Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Agriculture and Conservation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alaska Energy Authority
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alaska Gasline Development Corporation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alaska Railroad Corporation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alcoholic Beverage Control
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alcoholism & Drug Abuse
<input type="checkbox"/>	Architects/Engineers/and Land Surveyors
<input type="checkbox"/>	Arts Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Assessment Review Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Aviation Advisory Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bar Association
<input type="checkbox"/>	Barbers and Hairdressers
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bering Sea Fishery Advisory Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Big Game Commercial Services
<input type="checkbox"/>	Board of Massage Therapists
<input type="checkbox"/>	Boating Safety Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Children's Trust Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chilkat Bald Eagle Preserve
<input type="checkbox"/>	Chiropractic Examiners
<input type="checkbox"/>	Clemency Advisory Committee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Commercial Fisheries Entry
<input type="checkbox"/>	Commercial Fishing and Agriculture Bank
<input type="checkbox"/>	Controlled Substances Advisory Committee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Criminal Justice Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Criminal Justice Information Advisory Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Denali Access System Advisory Committee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Dental Examiners
<input type="checkbox"/>	Disabilities and Special Education Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Education and Early Development Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Education Commission of the States
<input type="checkbox"/>	Education for Military Children
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Medical Services
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emergency Response Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Emerging Energy Technology
<input type="checkbox"/>	Evidence Technicians
<input type="checkbox"/>	Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustees
<input type="checkbox"/>	Federal Areas
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fire Standards Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fisheries
<input type="checkbox"/>	Fishermen's Fund Advisory & Appeals
<input type="checkbox"/>	Forestry Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Game
<input type="checkbox"/>	Health Care Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Historical Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Historical Records Board

<input type="checkbox"/>	Homeless Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Housing Finance Corporation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Human Rights
<input type="checkbox"/>	Humanities Forum
<input type="checkbox"/>	Independent Living Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial Development and Export Authority
<input type="checkbox"/>	Interstate Adult and Juvenile Offender Supervision
<input type="checkbox"/>	Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Judicial Conduct Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Judicial Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Juvenile Justice Committee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Knik Arm Bridge and Toll Authority
<input type="checkbox"/>	Labor Relations Agency
<input type="checkbox"/>	Libraries Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Boundary Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mariculture Task Force
<input type="checkbox"/>	Marijuana Control Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Marine Pilots
<input type="checkbox"/>	Marine Transportation Advisory
<input type="checkbox"/>	Marital and Family Therapy
<input type="checkbox"/>	Medical Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mental Health Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mental Health Trust Authority
<input type="checkbox"/>	Midwives Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Military Force Advocacy and Structure
<input type="checkbox"/>	Minerals Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Municipal Advisory Gas Project Review Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Municipal Bond Bank
<input type="checkbox"/>	Native Language Preservation Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Natural Resources Conservation and Development
<input type="checkbox"/>	North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	North Pacific Fishery Management Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	North Pacific Research Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Nursing Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Occupational Safety and Health Review Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Oil and Gas Competitiveness Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Oil and Gas Conservation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Optometry Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pacific Salmon Commission - Commissioners
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pacific Salmon Commission - Northern Panel
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pacific Salmon Commission - Transboundary Panel
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Parole Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Permanent Fund Board of Trustees
<input type="checkbox"/>	Personnel Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pharmacy Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Physical & Occupational Therapy Board

<input type="checkbox"/>	Pioneers' Homes Advisory Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Police Standards Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Postsecondary Education Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Professional Counselors Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Professional Teaching Practices Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Psychologist & Psychological Associate Examiners
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Broadcasting Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Offices Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	PWS Oil Spill Recovery Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Real Estate Appraisers Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Real Estate Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Redistricting Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Regulatory Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Renewable Energy Fund Advisory Committee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Retirement Management Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Royalty Oil and Gas Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Safety Advisory Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Seafood Marketing Institute
<input type="checkbox"/>	Seismic Hazards Safety Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Serve Alaska
<input type="checkbox"/>	Social Work Examiners
<input type="checkbox"/>	State Officers Compensation Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Student Loan Corporation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Subsistence Resource Commissions
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suicide Prevention Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tourism Marketing Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation Advisory Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tribal Advisory Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	UA Board of Regents
<input type="checkbox"/>	Uniform State Laws
<input type="checkbox"/>	Veterans Advisory Council
<input type="checkbox"/>	Veterinary Examiners
<input type="checkbox"/>	Violent Crimes Compensation Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vocational Rehabilitation Committee
<input type="checkbox"/>	Water and Wastewater Works Advisory Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Wood-Tikchik State Park Council
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission
<input type="checkbox"/>	Workers' Compensation Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Workforce Investment Board
<input type="checkbox"/>	Yukon River Panel

If appointed, a press release will be issued announcing your appointment pending the completion of the appointment process with the Governor's office. Please supply our office with the following information that will be included in the press release.

(Name): DEIDRE FORD, (Age): 75 of (Hometown): ANCHORAGE, F. Los Angeles
is (Job title/Place of employment): RETIRED
(Name) holds (Listing of earned degrees like bachelor's, master's, etc.): JURIS DOCTORATE
IN LAW FROM UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO, MASTERS*
(Or list relevant experience to the position you are being appointed to)

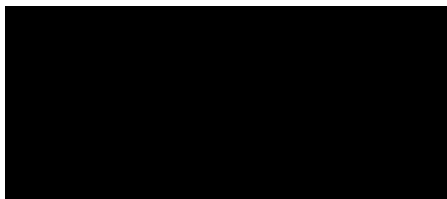
Examples:

John A. Doe, 38 of Soldotna, is Director of T-Shirts & Co. Doe holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from X University and a master's degree in communications from X University.

John A. Doe, 38 of Palmer, is the owner and operator of Doe and Associates, Inc. Doe previously served as division manager at X, Inc. Doe is a certified personnel consultant.

* DEGREE in POLITICAL SCIENCE FROM U. of ILLINOIS
CHICAGO AND MASTERS in LIBRARY SCIENCE FROM
U. of CALIFORNIA BERKELEY.

DEIRDRE DARLING FORD



CURRICULUM VITA

EDUCATION:

Whittier College, Whittier, CA. B.A., 1963 (Political Science)

University of California, Berkeley, CA. M.L.S., 1966 (Library Science)

University of Illinois Chicago, Chicago, IL. M.A., 1973 (Political Science)

University of San Francisco School of Law, San Francisco, CA. J.D., cum laude, 1984 (Law)

HONORS:

Pi Sigma Kappa (Political Science), 1963

Beta Phi Mu (Library Science), 1966

WORK:

1963-1965, Liberty Mutual Ins. Co., San Francisco. Account clerk.

1966-1972, University of Illinois, Chicago. Assistant Reference Librarian/Interlibrary Loan Librarian.

1972-1978, Mount St. Mary's College, Los Angeles, Director of Libraries.

1979-1981, University of Alaska Anchorage, Justice Center. Administrative Assistant.

1981-1982. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals, San Francisco. Library Assistant.

1983 (Aug.-Dec.), Alaska Supreme Court, Intern.

1984-1985. Lexis-Nexis. Anchorage, Alaska. Trainer.

1985-1990. University of Alaska Anchorage, Justice Center. Adjunct Professor.

1985-2009 (February), DeLisio, Moran, Geraghty & Zobel, Attorney at Law. Member/Partner. Emphasis on representation of employers/insurers in workers' compensation cases.

Involved in the briefing and arguments to the Alaska Supreme Court::

Lesuer-Johnson v. Rollins-Burdick Hunter of Alaska, 808 P.2d 266 (Alaska 1991).

Baker v. Reed-Dowd Co., 836 P.2d 916 (Alaska 1992).

Safeway v. Mackey, 965 P.2d 22 (Alaska 1998).

Involved in the briefing and argument to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals:

In Re Raymond R. Olsen v. Zerbetz, Trustee, 36 F.3d 71 (Ninth Circuit 1994).

2009(February) – 2012 (June), State of Alaska, Department of Labor, Alaska Workers' Compensation Board, Hearing Officer II. Chaired hearings and wrote decisions. Mediated several workers' compensation cases.

While in private practice, I participated in several continuing legal education programs involving workers' compensation law over the years from 1985 to 2009.

ADMISSIONS:

State of California, 1984 (inactive); State of Alaska, 1985 (active); U.S. Supreme Court; Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit; Alaska Federal District Court.

PUBLISHED OPINIONS:

At the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board I wrote, for the hearing panel, approximately 100 decisions and orders. A full listing of decisions may be found at the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board website. Among the more recent decisions are the following:

Voorhis v. Mosesian Farms of Alaska, AWCB Dec. No. 12-0118 (June 29, 2012).

Lambert v. Anchorage Marriott Hotel, AWCB Dec. No. 12-0020 (January 31, 2012).

In the Matter of the Petition for a finding of the failure to insure workers' compensation liability and assessment of a civil penalty against Dragon Coating & Foams, AWCB Dec. No. 12-0108 (June 25, 2012).

Wozniak v. State of Alaska, Dept. of Corrections, AWCB Dec. No. 12-0102 (June 14, 2012).

Macrae v. Fred Meyers, Inc., AWCB Dec. No. 12-0085 (May 10, 2012).

Butcher v. Alaska Powder Co., AWCB Dec. No. 12-0075 (April 19, 2012).

Coppe v. Bleicher, AWCB Dec. No. 11-0049 (April 21, 2011); aff'd Alaska Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission, Dec. No. 164 (August 1, 2012).

Widmer v. Municipality of Anchorage/AFD, AWCB Dec. No. 11-0105 (July 20, 2011); aff'd Alaska Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission, Dec. No. 165 (August 3, 2012).

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

Municipality of Anchorage Public Facilities Advisory Commission; Municipality of Anchorage Library Advisory Board; State of Alaska Library Advisory Commission; Alaska Women's Resource Center Board of Directors; AIRRES Board of Directors; Alaska Sisters in Crime (co-chair Left Coast Crime, 2001 and Bouchercon, 2011); Senior Warden, Christ Church Episcopal.

State of Alaska
Office of Administrative Hearings
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Anchorage, AK 99501
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**WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS COMMISSION CHAIR
APPLICATION FORM**

INSTRUCTIONS

Complete and specific answers will aid in rapid and accurate processing of your application. Please type or print legibly in ink. Forward your completed application to the above address, together with the required letter of interest and writing sample. You may include a resume as well but a resume cannot be substituted for a completed application form. Be sure your answers are accurate and truthful. A willfully false answer may result in your disqualification or removal from office if you are appointed.

Board or Commission and seat for which I am applying: **Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission, Chair**

Please list any other State Boards or Commissions on which you currently serve or previously have served, and include the dates of service.

Alaska Workers' Compensation Board, Hearing Officer, March 2009 – June 2012

Governor's Library Advisory Commission, member, circa 1997 - 2003

Name: Deirdre D. Ford

VOTER REGISTRATION:

AS 39.05.100 requires that a person appointed to a state board or commission be a registered voter prior to the last general election:

Are you registered to vote in Alaska: YES ☒ NO ☐

Were you a registered voter prior to the last general election? YES ☒ NO ☐

Voter Registration Number (Optional)_____

CRIMINAL HISTORY:

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? YES ____ NO __X__

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor related to workers' compensation? YES ____
NO __X__

Have you been convicted of any other misdemeanor within the past five years? YES ____ NO __X__

If the answer is "YES" as to a non-workers' compensation-related misdemeanor, explain the circumstances on a separate sheet of paper and attach it to this application. A misdemeanor conviction unrelated to workers' compensation is not necessarily grounds for disqualification. The number of convictions, nature, recentness, and relationship to the position applied for will be evaluated and a determination will be made after a review of all relevant facts.

CONFLICTS OF INTEREST:

Certain boards and commissions require full disclosure of personal financial data under AS 39.50.010. If disclosure is required for the board or commission for which you are applying, are you willing to make such disclosures? YES_X__ NO ____

Could you or any member of your family be affected financially by decisions to be made by the board or commission for which you are applying? YES ____ NO __X__

If "YES", explain:

RESIDENCY:

How long have you been a resident of the State of Alaska immediately preceding this application?
__37__ years __10__ months. (I am a permanent resident of the State of Alaska although a significant portion of my time is now spent in Los Angeles where my husband lives. I still own a house in Anchorage and vote in Alaska).

PRACTICE OF LAW:

List all states or other jurisdictions in which you currently are or previously have been admitted to practice law. (Include year of admission.)

State Of Alaska, Admitted June 1985, Retired 2013

State of California, Admitted December 1984; inactive status since c. 1988

How long have you been engaged in the active practice of law? __28__ years _____ months

How long have you been engaged in the active practice of law in Alaska immediately preceding this application? __0__ years _____ months

Over what period of time has your practice included workers' compensation experience, and approximately what percentage of your time was devoted to workers' compensation matters?
Experience: 26 years _____ months Percentage workers' compensation 90%

How much of your experience in workers' compensation law has been Alaska practice?
Experience: 26 years _____ months Percentage workers' compensation 100%

How much of your experience in workers' compensation law has been with appeals before courts or the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission, or before an analogous tribunal in another state?
Experience: 26 years _____ months Percentage appellate experience 15%

Has any public sanction been imposed against you as an attorney, hearing officer or judge in response to a complaint, charge or grievance, or as the result of an investigation by a state's or other jurisdiction's licensing authority? YES _____ NO X_____

If "YES", explain:

EDUCATION:

List the names, dates of attendance, degrees conferred and dates conferred for all colleges and professional schools, including law schools, you have attended. Include any honors you wish to be considered.

University of San Francisco, School of Law: J.D. 1984 (attendance 1981-1984)
University of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois: M.A., Political Science, June 1973 (attendance 1969-1972)
University of California, Berkeley: M.L.S., Library Science, June 1966 (Attendance 1965-1966)
Whittier College, Whittier, CA: B.A., Political Science, June 1963 (attendance 1961-1963)
Brenau College, Gainesville, GA: (attendance 1960-1961)
Smith College, Northampton, MA: (attendance 1959-1960)
Yuba Junior College, Marysville, CA: (attendance summer 1960)

Describe or list (by title/subject and credit hours) the continuing legal education courses you have taken or presented in the last three years. None

LEGAL AND OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE:

Beginning with your current employer and working backwards chronologically, describe your legal employment since law school and any other significant employment (whether compensated or volunteer) that has provided you with experience relevant to the non-legal aspects (e.g., managing personnel and a budget) of the position applied for. Provide the dates, names of employer, names of supervisors or others who can verify employment, and addresses; list your reason for leaving; and briefly describe the work. (Insert additional boxes or attach additional pages if necessary.)

Current employer: N/A (retired) Supervisor/employment verifier: Address:
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Dates of employment:
Description of work:

Employer: Alaska Workers' Compensation Board
Supervisor/employment verifier: Janel Wright
Address: 3301 Eagle Street, Suite 304, Anchorage, AK
Dates of employment: March 2009 – June 2012
Description of work: Hearing Officer
Reason for leaving: retired to spend time in Los Angeles with husband

Employer: DeLisio Moran Geraghty & Zobel
Supervisor/employment verifier: Patricia L. Zobel
[REDACTED]
Dates of employment: March 1985 – February 2009
Description of work: attorney at law
Reason for leaving: took position as hearing office with the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board

Employer: University of Alaska Anchorage Justice Center
Supervisor/employment verifier: John Angell
[REDACTED]
Dates of employment: September 1979-August 1981
Description of work: Administrative Assistant to Director
Reason for leaving: to attend law school

Employer: ARCO Alaska through unknown Anchorage employment agency
Supervisor/employment verifier: unknown
Address: unknown
Dates of employment: January 1979 – August 1979
Description of work: temporary clerical work
Reason for leaving: accepted full-time position with University of Alaska Anchorage Justice Center

Employer: U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Law Library
Supervisor/employment verifier: unknown
Address: San Francisco, CA
Dates of employment: September 1981 – June 1982
Description of work: legal research using Lexis Nexis computerized legal research system
Reason for leaving: returned to Alaska for summer break after first year of law school

Employer: Alaska Supreme Court
Supervisor/employment verifier: Justice Allan Compton, deceased
Address: Anchorage, Alaska
Dates of employment: August 1983 – December 1983
Description of work: Extern, legal research, drafting legal memorandum, other tasks as assigned by Justice Compton
Reason for leaving: returned to San Francisco for last semester of law school

Employer: University of Alaska Anchorage Justice Center
Supervisor/employment verifier: John Angell
[REDACTED]
Dates of employment: varied, September 1984 – June 1988

Description of work: adjunctant professor teaching legal research, writing, business law
Reason for leaving: began work as full-time attorney

Employer: Lexis Nexis (computerized legal research) (Mead Data Central)
Supervisor/employment verifier: unknown
Address: unknown
Dates of employment: August 1984 – June 1985
Description of work: teaching computerized legal research to judges and attorneys in Alaska
Reason for leaving: began work as full-time attorney

From 1966 to 1978 I worked as professional librarian at the University of Illinois Chicago (1966-1972)(Interlibrary Loan Librarian/Reference Librarian) and Mount St. Mary's College, Los Angeles (1972-1978) (Director of Libraries). Resigned each position to accompany husband, first to Los Angeles and then to Alaska. Following college in 1963 I worked in a clerical position for Liberty Mutual Insurance Company in San Francisco. I resigned in 1965 to attend Graduate School.

Have you supervised legal staff, students or other paid or volunteer personnel? YES X NO _____

If "YES", describe your supervisory role, including whether you were responsible for hiring, performance evaluations and discipline: As attorney and partner at DeLisio Moran Geraghty & Zobel participated in hiring and supervising attorneys, paralegals and support staff.

Have you managed the budget of a governmental agency, business or organization? YES ___X___ NO _____

If "YES", describe your budget management responsibilities, including the size of the budget and the type of entity. At the Justice Center, UAA, my job included primary responsibility for monitoring the Justice Center budget which included university funds and research funds from both state and federal grants. As Director of Libraries at Mount St. Mary's College, I was responsible for preparation and monitoring of the Library budgets which included college funds and federal grant monies.

Have you worked as a member of a collaborative or collegial body? YES X NO _____

If "YES", describe that experience. As a hearing officer for the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board, I was part of a panel of 3, including appointed Labor and Management members, which heard and decided workers' compensation claims. The panel would meet and decide each case following the hearing. As the Hearing Officer, I was responsible for conducting the hearing but the decision was collaborative. I was then responsible for drafting the decision memorializing the panel's decision, including any concurring or dissenting opinions, subject to review and approval by the panel members.

Do you have caseload or time management experience? YES ___X___ NO _____

If "YES", describe that experience.

In private practice I was responsible for a caseload and billing for my time. My include depended on my ability to manage my cases to the satisfaction of my clients, bringing each matter to a timely and satisfactory conclusion. At the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board, I likewise had to manage my hearing calendar to ensure timely and fair hearings and production of timely and reasoned decisions.

Do you have experience drafting regulations or legislation? YES _____ NO X

If "YES", describe that experience.

Describe your computer skills. At the Alaska Workers' Compensation Board I was responsible for typing my own decisions, producing and answering emails, and other document production as needed. In private practice I edited my own documents, produced and responded to emails, and time accounting.

Describe your research skills, including skills for computer assisted legal research. I learned how to perform computerized legal research (then in its infancy) while working for the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals Law Library and then taught computerized legal research to both judges and attorneys in Alaska. As both a practicing attorney and a hearing officer I did my own legal research. My skills as a professional librarian also provided a strong basis for doing legal research.

MEMBERSHIPS:

List any legal or professional organizations, including bar associations and sections or committees thereof, of which you are or have been a member or officer, specifically identifying those related to workers' compensation law.

California Bar Association – inactive

Alaska Bar Association: Although I am now retired I understand to become active I need only ask to become active, pay this year's dues, and complete any continuing legal education requirements by the end of the year. When an active bar member I was a member of the Workers' Compensation Section and regularly attended section meetings. At various times I was involved with the Fee Arbitration Committee and the Continuing Legal Education Committee.

PUBLIC SERVICE:

List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received. Include both compensated and uncompensated positions (such as president of a service organization or a mayor). Include length of time served.

Anchorage Library Advisory Board, including Chair (4 years) – six years

Governor's Commission on Libraries – four years

Anchorage Women's Resource Center, Board of Directors – six years

ARRIES Board of Directors – three years

Anchorage Advisory Commission on Public Facilities – six years

Mentor, Anchorage School District – 1986-1989

Senior Warden, Christ Church Episcopal Anchorage

Friends of the Library Board, Rancho Palms Public Library (Part of Los Angeles Public Library System)-current

Junior Warden, President Sisters of Bede, member St. Bede's Pastoral Care Committee: St. Bede's, Los Angeles, California- current

Parliamentarian, Azure Verde EGA Chapter, Palos Verdes, California - current

REFERENCES:

List three professional references who can speak to your professional competence and qualifications for the position as chair of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission.

Name: Janel Wright, Alaska Workers' Compensation Board

[REDACTED]

Name: Joseph Kalamarides, Esq., Kalamarides & Lambert

[REDACTED]

Name: Nora Barlow, Esq., Burr Pease & Kurtz

[REDACTED]

List two personal references (excluding the professional references above) who can speak to your character and temperament.

Name: Patricia L. Zobel

[REDACTED]

Name: Isabel Lee

[REDACTED]

List the names and contact information for the attorneys, hearing officers, board members, commission members, or judges in the three most recent workers' compensation matters you adjudicated to a conclusion. Do not include cases that are still pending appeal before the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission or the courts.

Case name, number and date closed: Lambert v. Anchorage Marriott Hotel, AWCB NO. 200521855, 200424138, 200503156; AWCB Decision No. 12-0113, filed 6/27/2012

Attorney #1

Name: Employee Francis Lambert

Address: unknown

Telephone:

Attorney #2

Name: Robert Griffin

[REDACTED]

Hearing officer/judge

Name: Deirdre D. Ford

Address:

Telephone:

Board/commission member

Name: Patricia Vollendorf

Address:
Telephone:

Case name, number and date closed: Macrae v. Fred Meyer, Inc., AWCB NO. 199923006, AWCB Decision NO. 12-0085, filed May 10, 2012.

Attorney #1
Name: Employee's wife Dianne MacRae
Address: unknown
Telephone:

Attorney #2
Name: Michelle M. Meske
Address: 510 L Street, Suite 300, Anchorage
Telephone: 907-258-1747

Hearing officer/judge
Name: Deirdre D. Ford
Address:
Telephone:

Board/commission member
Name: Amy Steele, Rick Traini
Address:
Telephone:

Case name, number and date closed: Tiedje v. State of Alaska, Dept. of Labor & Workforce, AWCB No. 200806680; AWCB Decision NO. 12-0078 filed April 25, 2012

Attorney #1
Name: Robert Rehbock

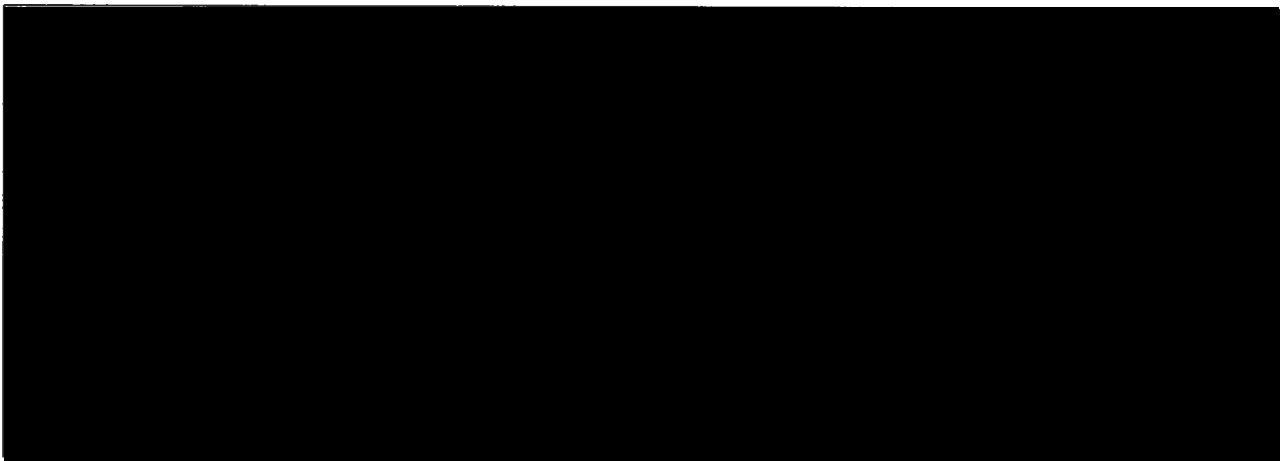
Attorney #2
Name: Patricia Huna, Assistant Attorney General

Hearing officer/judge
Name: Deirdre D. Ford
Address:
Telephone:

Board/commission member
Name: Rick Traini, Amy Steele
Address:
Telephone:

WRITING SAMPLE:

Attach one example (no more than 25 pages in length) of a brief, memorandum of law, legal opinion, decision and order or similar example of legal writing prepared solely by you within the last three years. Choose a sample that reflects your ability to perform legal research and analysis.



CERTIFICATION AND WAIVER:

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided on this application is true and complete; that I am a citizen of the United States; that I am a resident of the State of Alaska and will have been a resident of Alaska for the five years immediately preceding appointment to the position applied for; and that I am licensed, in good standing, to practice law in Alaska and will remain so licensed at the time of appointment.

I waive any privilege of confidentiality I may have with respect to information concerning my qualifications for the position of chair of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Commission that the chief administrative law judge (CALJ) appointed under AS 44.64.010 may desire to obtain. I specifically authorize the CALJ to obtain and examine my personnel files from current and past employers and to obtain information from any law enforcement agency, any bar association, any occupational licensing board, any educational institution, and any disciplinary body. I further authorize these institutions, organizations, and individuals, and any other institutions, organizations and individuals to make available to the CALJ all confidential and non-confidential documents, records and information concerning me that the CALJ may request in connection with this application.

I understand that if I deliberately conceal or enter false information on this form my application may be rejected, I may be removed from a list of eligible candidates, or I may be removed from the position. I agree that the CALJ and the Office of the Governor may contact present or former employers or other persons who know me to obtain any additional information about my skills and abilities. I understand that the information on this application is public information and may be released through a legal request for such information.

Signature _____ Date: _____

Typed or printed name __Deirdre D. Ford__

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 2009

Notary Public, State of California
My Commission expires: _____