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Rep. Charles Bussell, Chairman
House Committee on Judiciary
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Juneau, Alaska 99811

Dear Rep. Bussell:

In response to your request for five professional references (I presume you mean lawyers) who may be able to advise you on my qualifications to serve as a laymember on the Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar Association, I am submitting the following names.

You mentioned that time is a pressing factor so I haven't contacted these people to be sure they are available. If they are, I'm sure they'll give you an accurate assessment.

Superior Court Judge Thomas Stewart (retired), Juneau, 586-1220.

Fred O. Eastaugh of Robertson, Monagle, Eastaugh & Bradley with offices in Juneau, 586-3340.

Michael Holmes of Faulkner, Banfield, Doogan and Holmes at their Juneau office, 586-2210. I served four years on the Alaska Judicial Council with Holmes.

Bruce Botelho, an attorney with the Department of Revenue, 465-2300. He was a scoutmaster in Ketchikan before he went to law school and I was community scout chairman.

William Council, a private attorney in Juneau, 586-1786. Council was stationed in Ketchikan as an attorney for a state agency for several years.

I've given you all Juneau names to make your job of checking easier. If some of the above are not available, feel free to check with Norman Banfield, 586-2210, James Bradley, 586-3340, or James Clark, 586-3340, all practicing attorneys in Juneau; or with John Dimond, 364-3325, a retired supreme court justice, in Juneau.

As you are aware, I'm appointed to the Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar Association to represent the public. The best interests of the public sometimes differ from those of the legal profession. So you might find it more useful to check with other people who have served with me as a public member on the Alaska Judicial Council, the Governor's Commission on the Administration of Justice or the Citizens' Advisory Commission on Federal Areas.

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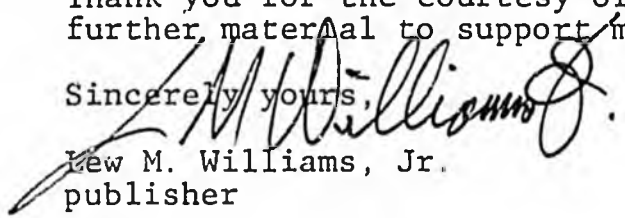
Those include Ken Brady of Ken Brady Construction Co., 243-4604 in Anchorage; Paul Gavora of Gavora, Inc., 452-6422, in Fairbanks, owner of Marketbasket food stores; Robert Moss, a Homer fisherman still serving on the Judicial Council; Warren Olson, SRA Box 82A, Anchorage; Phil Holdsworth, 586-1383, Juneau; James A. Williams (no relation) PO Box 1260, Anchorage; or Gail (Mrs. Mark) Rowland, 272-6284, Anchorage.

In presenting these names, I presume you'd prefer that I refrain from submitting the names of attorneys practicing in the Department of Law, serving on the Board of Governors, or the names of active judges and justices, or the names of lawyer-legislators, or lawyers in Ketchikan.

I will be happy to provide you with any further information you desire.

Thank you for the courtesy of giving me this chance to submit further material to support my appointment

Sincerely yours,


Lew M. Williams, Jr.
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Telephone Interview Questions

(Confirnee for the Board of Governor's Alaska Bar Association)

- 1) Do you feel that you understand the role you would play on the Board of the Governor's of the Alaska Bar?
- 2) Are you willing to put in the amount of time required to do the job without renumeration?
- 3) Why do you want to serve on the Board?
- 4) Do you have any suggestions/plans, etc. for the Board?
- 5) What specific qualifications do you posses for the Board of the Governor's Bar Association?
- 6) Have you held any public offices in the past?
- 7) What is your party/political affiliation?
- 8) Do you feel any conflict of interest between a role as a Board Member and your private life?
- 9) Any other statements for the Committee members to consider?

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225-3157

- 1) Have served on the Board since 6-30-82, so have good idea of the role of the public member to the Bar Association's Board of Governors.
- 2) Yes, have served on many boards/commissions in the past, so I understand the amount of time necessary to do the job. Since the kids are gone, I have time to devote to this appointment.
- 3) This is interesting work and since I have no vested interests I can take a look at the situation from detached position. The background and knowledge gained from working on the Judicial Council and Governors Advisory council on the Administration of Justice makes an interest in an appointment to the Board a natural.
- 4) The Board and Bar Association needs to be more receptive to the public. The services and alternatives available to the public needs to be publicized and the public needs to be made aware of their existence.
- 5) Past work on the Judicial Council and the Governors Council on the Administration of Justice combined with 37 years of owning a newspaper gives a general knowledge of the needs of the people in this area.
- 6) Yes, School Board-Wrangel-1960
-City Council
-Mayor-Petersburg-1960
- 7) Registered Democrat since 1946
- 8) No conflict of interest - any work on the newspaper is completely separate from work on the Board. The editor (Not owner) of the newspaper does any controversial editorials, etc.

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- 9) Am not actively pursuing any appointment by the Governor, but with the extra time I have, I would be happy to do it and would enjoy working on the Board.

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BIOGRAPHY: March 19, 1981

LLEWELLYN (LEW) WILLIAMS, JR., 56, is publisher and part owner of the Ketchikan Daily News. His wife, Dorothy, who came to Alaska 28 years ago as a school teacher, is co-publisher, business manager and the other owner of the newspaper.

Prior to moving to Ketchikan in 1966, the Williams owned and operated the Petersburg Press for ten years. During their time in Petersburg, Williams served five years as mayor. They were the first newspaper owners in Alaska to convert their publication to the offset form of printing. All Alaska newspapers now are produced by offset.

Before buying the Petersburg paper, the Williams lived in Wrangell where Williams ran the Wrangell Sentinel for his parents while his father served as secretary of Alaska. Williams also served on the school board in Wrangell.

Three of Alaska's four governors since statehood have appointed Williams to state boards. Gov. William Egan appointed him to the Alaska Judicial Council on which he served four years. Gov. Walter Hickel appointed him chairman of the Jones Act Relief Task Force. Gov. Jay Hammond appointed him to the Governor's Commission on the Administration of Justice, on which he still serves. And Lt. Gov. Terry Miller appointed him to serve on the Alaska lands Blue Ribbon Task Force.

Williams was one of the organizers of the Southeastern Conference and its first secretary. It is an organization of Southeast Alaska communities and chambers of commerce. He was an organizer of the Alaska Publishers' Association in 1963 and of the new Alaska Newspaper Association in 1980.

The Ketchikan Daily News has won over two dozen professional awards since the Williams became sole owners in 1976, including awards for editorials written by Williams. The National Newspaper

Foundation has designated the Ketchikan Daily News as a National Blue Ribbon Newspaper.

Williams has served on numerous civic committees in Wrangell, Petersburg and Ketchikan. He was a volunteer fireman in Wrangell and Petersburg and served as secretary of the Petersburg advisory committee to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. He is holder of the Silver Beaver award for his work with the Boy Scouts of America. He is a past officer of the Elks lodge, the American Legion, Rotary, the chambers of commerce in Wrangell, Petersburg and Ketchikan and the Alaska State Chamber of Commerce.

Two of the Williams three children are reporters for newspapers in Washington state. The other is a computer operator for a printing and office supply firm in Missouri.

Williams was awarded an honorary doctor of humanities degree by the University of Alaska, Juneau in 1981.

BIOGRAPHY: MARCH 15, 1981

Optional add:

Williams was born in Spokane, Wash. He began his newspaper career in 1936 as a paper carrier for the Juneau Empire. He attended schools in Tacoma, Juneau and Wrangell, graduating from Wrangell High School in 1942. He attended prep school in Washington, D.C., then served three years in the U.S. Army in World War II. He was discharged honorably as a sergeant in the parachute troops.

Except for a year at business college in Berkeley, California in 1950, he has been active in the newspaper business in Alaska since World War II. In addition to newspaper activities in Wrangell, Petersburg and Ketchikan, Williams ran the Alaska Sunday Press in Juneau for its owners for six months and he and his wife owned the Sitka Sentinel for four years.

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CHAPTER 08.
Alaska Integrated Bar Act.
ARTICLE 2.
The Board of Governors and Officers.

CITATION Sec. 08.08.040.

CATCH LINE

BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF THE ALASKA BAR.

TEXT

(a) There is created a Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar to be elected under bylaws and regulations adopted by the board.

(b) The board consists of nine active members elected by the active members of the Alaska Bar and three persons appointed by the governor who are not attorneys.

HISTORY

(Sec. 5 ch 196 SLA 1955; am sec. 1 ch 178 SLA 1960; am sec. 4 ch 181 SLA 1976; am sec. 2 ch 52 SLA 1981)

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DECISIONS

licensing of legal practitioners. In re
Pet. Sup. Ct. Op. No. 2172 (File No.
1172, 4526, 4608), 617 P.2d 505 (1980).

providing for integration of state bar. 114
ALR 163; 151 ALR 617.
Compulsory membership in state bar.
114 ALR 165; 151 ALR 619.
Requiring license fees from members of
the state bar. 114 ALR 165; 151 ALR 619.
Legislature's power respecting
admission to bar. 144 ALR 150.

Bar Association.

Alaska Bar Association. There is
state known as the Alaska Bar Asso-
ciation of the Alaska Bar. The Alaska Bar
may be sued, and may, for the
purpose of promoting the objects of the Alaska
Bar Association, hold, encumber and dispose of
property. SLA 1955)

DECISIONS

Op. No. 535 (File No. 532), 395 P.2d 853
1964
Quoted in In re Petition of Moody, Sup.
Ct. Op. No. 1065 (File No. 2035), 524 P.2d
1261 (1974).

Every person licensed to practice law
in the state of Alaska shall be a member of
the Alaska Bar. All active and
inactive members of September 14, 1976 shall be

Members of the Alaska Bar who, on September
14, 1976, were on the membership rolls, shall be reinstated

as a member only in accordance with the Alaska Bar Rules. (§ 4 ch 196
SLA 1955; am § 2 ch 181 SLA 1976)

Cross references. — As to eligibility to
take the bar examination, see AS
08.09.205.

NOTES TO DECISIONS

Quoted in In re Petition of Moody, Sup.
Ct. Op. No. 1065 (File No. 2035), 524 P.2d
1261 (1974).

Article 2. The Board of Governors and Officers.

Section	Section
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Sec. 08.08.030. Governance of the Alaska Bar. The Alaska Bar
is governed by the Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar. The board has
the powers and duties conferred by this chapter and by the Alaska Bar
Rules. Members of the board shall receive no salary. (§ 6 ch 196 SLA
1955; am § 3 ch 181 SLA 1976)

Sec. 08.08.040. Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar. (a) There
is created a Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar to be elected under
bylaws and regulations adopted by the board.

(b) The board consists of nine active members elected by the active
members of the Alaska Bar and three persons appointed by the gover-
nor who are not attorneys. (§ 5 ch 196 SLA 1955; am § 1 ch 178 SLA
1960; am § 4 ch 181 SLA 1976; am § 2 ch 52 SLA 1981)

Effect of amendments. — The 1981 (a). In subsection (b), the amendment
amendment substituted "created" for added "and three persons appointed by the
"hereby constituted" and substituted governor who are not attorneys."
"adopted" for "promulgated" in subsection

Sec. 08.08.050. Selection of the board. (a) Two members of the
board shall be elected by and from among the members of the associa-
tion resident in the first judicial district; four members of the board
shall be elected by and from among the members of the association
resident in the third judicial district; two members by and from among
the members of the association resident in the combined area of the
second and fourth judicial districts; and one member at large from the
entire state. Three members who are not attorneys shall be appointed
by the governor and are subject to confirmation by the legislature in
joint session.

*I think we should
over emphasize
acting names
of Board members*

§ 08.08.060

ALASKA STATUTES

§ 08.08.050

Title 7
Boroughs

Title 8
Business and Professions

(b) Members of the Board of Governors shall hold office for three years and until their successors are elected or appointed and qualified.

(c) Four board members shall be selected on the following triennial rotation:

(1) in the first year, one member from the first judicial district, one member from the combined area of the second and fourth judicial districts, one member from the third judicial district, and one appointed member;

(2) in the second year, one member at large, two members from the third judicial district, and one appointed member; and

(3) in the third year, one member from the combined area of the second and fourth judicial districts, one member from the third judicial district, one member from the first judicial district, and one appointed member. (§ 5 ch 196 SLA 1955; am § 1 ch 178 SLA 1960; am §§ 1.2 ch 9 SLA 1971; am §§ 3 — 5 ch 52 SLA 1981)

Effect of amendments. — The 1981 amendment added the second sentence of subsection (a). The amendment also added "or appointed" preceding "and qualified" in subsection (b) and rewrote subsection (c).

SLA 1981, provides: "The governor shall appoint the initial non-attorney members to the Board of Governors for the following terms: one member for a three-year term; one member for a two-year term; and one member for a one-year term."

Editor's notes. — Section 14, ch. 52,

Sec. 08.08.060. Election of officers. The active members of the Alaska Bar who are in actual attendance at the association's annual convention shall elect by a majority vote during the convention the association's officers from the membership of the Board of Governors. (§ 5 ch 196 SLA 1955; am § 1 ch 178 SLA 1960)

Sec. 08.08.070. Vacancies on the board. (a) The board shall fill a vacancy in the elected membership of the board until the next annual election.

(b) The governor shall appoint a member to fill a vacancy in the appointed membership of the board for the unexpired term. (§ 5 ch 196 SLA 1955; am § 1 ch 178 SLA 1960; am § 6 ch 52 SLA 1981)

Effect of amendments. — The 1981 amendment rewrote this section.

Sec. 08.08.075. Meetings of the board. AS 44.62.310 and 44.62.312 apply to the meetings of the board. Members of the Alaska Bar and the public shall be given 30 days notice of meetings of the board except for emergency meetings. Meetings of the board shall take place in the state. (§ 7 ch 52 SLA 1981)

Sec. 08.08.080. Powers of board. (a) Except as may be otherwise provided in this chapter or the Alaska Bar Rules, the board may approve and recommend to the state supreme court rules

Title 8
Business and Professions

- (1) concerning admission, discipline, licensing, continuing legal education, and defining the practice of law;
- (2) providing for continuing legal education and for certification of a continuing legal education program;
- (3) establishing a program for the certification of attorneys as specialists.

(b) The board may adopt bylaws and regulations consistent with this chapter and the Alaska Bar Rules

(1) concerning membership and the classification of membership in the Alaska Bar;

(2) fixing the annual membership fees;

(3) concerning annual and special meetings.

(c) Consistent with this chapter and the Alaska Bar Rules, the board may

(1) provide for employees of the Alaska Bar, the time, place and method of their selection, and their respective powers, duties, terms of office, and compensation;

(2) establish, collect, deposit, invest, and disburse membership and admission fees, penalties, and other funds;

(3) sue in the name of the Alaska Bar in a court of competent jurisdiction to enjoin a person from doing an act constituting a violation of this chapter;

(4) provide for all other matters affecting in any way the organization and functioning of the Alaska Bar. (§ 7 ch 196 SLA 1955; am §§ 2, 3 ch 178 SLA 1960; am § 5 ch 181 SLA 1976; am § 8 ch 52 SLA 1981)

Cross references. — See Alaska Bar rules adopted by the Alaska supreme court.

Effect of amendments. — The 1981 amendment rewrote this section.

NOTES TO DECISIONS

Final power and authority to determine standards for admission to the practice of law in Alaska resides in the supreme court, which has the inherent power to intercede at any time in admission matters. *In re Luna*, Sup. Ct. Op. No. 1503 (File No. 27), 569 P.2d 789 (1977).

Practice of law not defined. — There is no rule defining the practice of law. Nor is there a statute defining the term except in the context of the requirements of active practice of law as a qualification for justices. *In re Robson*, Sup. Ct. Op. No. 1573 (File No. 3448), 575 P.2d 771 (1978). See also *In re Babcock*, Sup. Ct. Op. No. 178 (File No. 408), 387 P.2d 694 (1963), decided prior to the 1976 and 1981 amendments to this section.

For case construing board's power

to define the practice of law prior to the 1976 amendment of this section, see *In re Moody*, Sup. Ct. Op. No. 1065 (File No. 2035), 524 P.2d 1261 (1974).

A superior court law clerk should be regarded as practicing law for the purposes of membership classification. *In Moody*, Sup. Ct. Op. No. 1065 (File No. 2035), 524 P.2d 1261 (1974).

Activities constituted practice of law in violation of supreme court's suspension order. — Where a person held himself out as a lawyer; performed legal services and gave legal advice in setting up a prepaid legal service plan, completing and filing necessary forms; signed a letter of the type usually written by an attorney with "attorney at law" printed aside his name; permitted another person to refer to

CHARLIE--for now we have only one to confirm, may not get another soon--Joe

ALASKA BOARD OF GOVERNORS--This statute only amended in 1981, creating a 12-man board in place of a 9-man board, with three new ones to be lay members appointed by the governor. (The other nine, all attorneys, are elected at annual bar convention--this year June 9 & 10--and will take office, any new ones, June 11).

*Lay Members:

KAREN SLACK, Anchorage, Term expires 1984 (probably June 30th). She has just resigned, by letter, and in same, asks governor to appoint as quickly as possible...may be an appointment coming through for her.

LeROY COOK, Fairbanks, term expires June 30, 1983...expected to resign, as Hammond appointed him in last days of Hammond regime. His name is NOT going to Sheffield, according to Randy Burns, executive director of Alaska Bar Ass'n. in ANchorage...and of course, he has not been confirmed by any House Judiciary Committee...since it's a new administration, suppose Sheffield will nominate a replacement when he gets around to it.

LEW M. WILLIAMS, Ketchikan, just appointed by Governor, not yet confirmed, term expires in 1985 (June 30th).

** Attorney Members:

President, Andrew J. Kleinfeldt, Fairbanks, term expires	1984
President-Elect, Mary K. Hughes, ANchorage, " "	1984
Vice President, Harold M. Brown, Ketchikan, " "	1984
Secretary, Ms. Niesje Steinkruger, Fairbanks, " "	1985
Treasurer, Ronald W. Lorensen, Juneau (AG office)" "	1985
State-wide representative, William P. Bryson, ANchorage, term expires	1983
Bruce E. Gagnon, Anchorage, term expires	1985
Karen L. Hunt, Anchorage, (past Pres.) term expires	1983
Hugh G. (Jerry) Wade, ANchorage, term expires	1983