

Marine

Pilots

Alaska State Legislature

House of Representatives



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Juneau, Alaska 99811
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Committee on Transportation

March 25, 1993

The Honorable Ramona Barnes
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Dear Madame Speaker:

The House Transportation Committee has reviewed the nomination of Mr. John C. Klepper for appointment to the Board of Marine Pilots and makes the following recommendations:

CONFIRM

DO NOT CONFIRM

NO RECOMMENDATION

Richard Foster

John C. Klepper
John C. Klepper
Larry L. Davis

Richard Foster
RICHARD FOSTER, CHAIR

WALTER J. HICKEL
GOVERNOR



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STATE OF ALASKA
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
JUNEAU

February 8, 1993

The Honorable Ramona Barnes
Speaker of the House
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear Speaker Barnes:

In accordance with AS 39.05.080 and Article III, Sections 25 and 26, of the Alaska Constitution, I submit the following names for legislative confirmation of appointment to the positions noted:

Alaska State Board of Public Accountancy

Elaine Damm - Kodiak

Appointed 11/14/91 Reappointed 05/12/92 Expires 04/25/96

Bruce J. Ogle - Anchorage

Appointed 08/14/91 Reappointed 07/20/92 Expires 04/25/96

State Board of Registration for Architects, Engineers, and Land Surveyors

Richard S. Armstrong, PE - Anchorage

Appointed 07/01/92 Expires 07/01/96

Paul E. Hartig - Palmer

Appointed 10/15/92 Expires 07/01/94

William W. Mendenhall - Fairbanks

Appointed 07/01/92 Expires 07/01/96

Michael H. Schwartz - Palmer

Appointed 09/02/92 Expires 07/01/96

Athletic Commission

Carolyn J. Michels - Nome

Appointed 10/28/92 Expires 05/14/95

Sylvia J. Reynolds - Juneau

Appointed 09/02/92 Expires 05/14/96

Gary R. Wilken - Fairbanks

Appointed 06/11/92 Expires 05/14/96

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Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar

William E. Dam, Sr. - Anchorage
Appointed 08/05/92 Expires 06/30/95

JCC

Board of Barbers and Hairdressers

Michelle A. Loptien - Juneau
Appointed 09/02/92 Expires 07/01/96

LCC

Jerry R. Mayfield - Anchorage
Appointed 06/15/91 Reappointed 08/17/92 Expires 07/01/96

Big Game Commercial Services Board

Glenn W. Fredericks - Anchorage
Appointed 10/28/92 Expires 06/30/96

RCS

Paul E. Johnson - Elfin Cove
Appointed 08/29/89 Reappointed 07/13/92 Expires 06/30/96

Board of Chiropractic Examiners

Patricia G. Conners-Allen, DC - Juneau
Appointed 09/02/92 Expires 07/15/94

LCCS

LeRoy D. Nordstrom, DC - Anchorage
Appointed 07/15/92 Expires 07/15/96

Glenne M. Ralls - Anchorage
Appointed 07/15/92 Expires 07/15/94

Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission

Bruce C. Twomley - Juneau
Appointed 10/06/82 Reappointed 08/18/88, 07/21/92
Expires 07/01/96

RCS

Board of Dental Examiners

Kevin L. Gottlieb, DDS - Anchorage
Appointed 02/01/93 Expires 02/01/97

dccc

Carolyn J. Michels - Nome
Appointed 02/01/93 Expires 02/01/97

Burton A. Miller, DDS - Anchorage
Appointed 05/27/92 Expires 02/01/95

Robert W. Robinson II, DMD - Wasilla
Appointed 05/08/92 Expires 02/01/94

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Board of Dispensing Opticians

Pamela L. Doerr - Cordova
Appointed 05/27/92 Expires 06/14/94
Beverly J. Gilfillan - Anchorage
Appointed 03/28/90 Reappointed 08/17/92 Expires 06/14/96
Patricia Hedges-Gajdos - Fairbanks
Appointed 08/17/92 Expires 06/14/94

HCS

Board of Education

Donald L. Fancher - Bethel
Appointed 01/08/93 Expires 01/31/98
Judy L. Norton - Eagle River
Appointed 09/03/92 Expires 01/31/95

HCS

Board of Fisheries

Larry Edfelt - Juneau
Appointed 07/23/91 Reappointed 01/31/93 Expires 01/31/96
John Hanson - Alakanuk
Appointed 02/08/89 Reappointed 07/13/92 Expires 01/31/95
Dick Jacobsen - Sand Point
Appointed 01/31/93 Expires 01/31/96
Deborah A. Lyons - Petersburg
Appointed 01/31/90 Reappointed 01/31/93 Expires 01/31/96

NCS

Board of Game

Susan Entsminger - Tok
Appointed 01/31/93 Expires 01/31/96
Roger Huntington - Galena
Appointed 04/14/92 Reappointed 01/31/93 Expires 01/31/96
Ernest E. Polley - Juneau
Appointment effective 04/05/93 Expires 01/31/94
Anne K. Ruggles - Fairbanks
Appointed 01/31/93 Expires 01/31/96

NCS

State Commission for Human Rights

Augusta Sayoko D. Mimoto Greenheart - Anchorage
Appointed 01/31/93 Expires 01/31/98
Robyn F. States - Fairbanks
Appointed 01/31/93 Expires 01/31/98

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Commission on Judicial Conduct

Sara Pearson - Soldotna
Appointed 12/31/92 Expires 12/31/96

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Alaska Labor Relations Agency

Darrell F. Smith - Anchorage
Appointed 02/06/91 Reappointed 06/30/92 Expires 06/30/95

LSC

Board of Marine Pilots

Donna C. Bumgardner - Valdez
Appointed 07/21/92 Expires 06/01/96
John C. Klepper - Valdez
Appointed 07/21/92 Expires 06/01/95
Mark E. Springer - Hooper Bay
Appointed 06/11/92 Expires 06/01/96

TSP.

Board of Marital and Family Therapy

Mercy Dennis - Anchorage
Appointed 12/14/92 Expires 12/14/95
Randall G. Jones - Anchorage
Appointed 12/15/92 Expires 12/14/93
Dennis Schlotfeldt, PhD - Fairbanks
Appointed 12/14/92 Expires 12/14/97
R. Brock Shamberg, Esq. - Anchorage
Appointed 12/14/92 Expires 12/14/96
Elaine Stoneburner - Anchorage
Appointed 12/14/92 Expires 12/14/94

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State Medical Board

Eileen L. Becker - Homer
Appointed 01/09/93 Expires 01/09/97
Noel W. DeVries - Palmer
Appointed 12/09/91 Reappointed 07/23/92 Expires 08/13/96
Joan Jelinek, MD - Fairbanks
Appointed 12/14/92 Expires 01/12/96
Gary L. Johnson, MD - Fairbanks
Appointed 11/12/92 Expires 11/06/96
Robert J. Rowen, MD - Anchorage
Appointed 07/23/92 Expires 07/08/96

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Board of Certified Direct-Entry Midwives

Peggy A. Downing, MD - Palmer
Appointed 07/21/92 Expires 07/21/95
Sydney Flint - Fairbanks
Appointed 08/17/92 Expires 07/21/94
Kaye Kanne - Juneau
Appointed 07/21/92 Expires 07/21/96
Paula Korn, CNM - Anchorage
Appointed 07/21/92 Expires 07/21/93
Pam Weaver - Chugiak
Appointed 07/21/92 Expires 07/21/96

LCCS

Board of Nursing

Belle L. Cunningham, LPN - Anchorage
Appointed 05/11/92 Expires 03/31/95
Marion K. Lampman - Anchorage
Appointed 08/17/92 Expires 03/31/95
Betsy B. McCune, RN - Eagle River
Appointed 05/11/92 Expires 03/31/96

LCCS

Occupational Safety and Health Review Board

Donald F. Hoff, Jr. - Ketchikan
Appointed 04/01/86 Reappointed 09/02/88, 08/01/92
Expires 08/01/96

LCCS

Alaska Oil and Gas Conservation Commission

David W. Johnston - Anchorage
Appointed 01/19/89 Reappointed 12/31/92 Expires 12/31/98

LCCS

Board of Examiners in Optometry

Lynn J. Coon, OD - Wasilla
Appointed 02/06/89 Reappointed 06/15/92 Expires 06/15/96
Steven S. Dobson, OD - Anchorage
Appointed 02/06/89 Reappointed 02/19/92, 05/08/92
Expires 06/15/95
Marilyn S. Porter - Anchorage
Appointed 12/14/92 Expires 06/15/94

LCCS

Personnel Board

Gary P. Bader - Anchorage
Appointed 06/20/92 Expires 06/20/98

LCCS

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✓ Board of Pharmacy

Charles J. Lastufka - Anchorage

Appointed 09/03/92 Expires 04/01/96

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✓ State Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy Board

Pauline L. Bennett-Gannon - Fairbanks

Appointed 04/10/90 Reappointed 05/12/92 Expires 01/01/96

Arlene C. Gerety - Anchorage

Appointed 09/03/92 Expires 09/01/96

class

Cary S. Keller, MD - Fairbanks

Appointed 10/13/92 Expires 09/01/96

Lawrence W. Seethaler, LPT - Anchorage

Appointed 09/03/92 Expires 09/01/96

✓ Professional Teaching Practices Commission

Brian L. Carter - North Pole

Appointed 09/21/92 Expires 07/01/94

Richard E. Clevenger - Ketchikan

Appointed 07/21/92 Expires 07/01/94

Peggy E. Conner Jones - Anchorage

Appointed 09/21/92 Expires 07/01/95

Fred L. Lau - Nenana

Appointed 07/21/92 Expires 07/01/95

William A. McCain - Wasilla

Appointed 09/30/92 Expires 07/01/94

Marsha K. Van Abel - Anchorage

Appointed 09/23/92 Expires 07/01/95

class

✓ Board of Psychologist and Psychological Associate Examiners

Tyler D. Shaw - Eagle River

Appointed 10/28/92 Expires 07/01/96

Robb L. Stokes, PhD - Sitka

Appointed 09/30/92 Expires 07/01/96

class

Public Defender

John Salemi - Anchorage

Appointed 02/27/89 Reappointed 02/27/93 Expires 02/27/97

JUD

✓ Board of Certified Real Estate Appraisers

Ken Kincaid - Anchorage

Appointed 06/13/91 Reappointed 06/30/92 Expires 06/30/96

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Real Estate Commission

Terral F. Wanzer - Ketchikan

Appointed 12/06/91 Reappointed 01/31/93 Expires 01/31/97

L & C

✓ Board of Clinical Social Work Examiners

Ken P. Fallon, Jr., MSW, ACSW - Palmer

Appointed 01/13/89 Reappointed 12/14/92 Expires 07/01/96

CCSS

Kris Jenkins - North Pole

Appointed 05/12/92 Expires 07/01/95

Alaska Public Utilities Commission

James E. Carter, Sr. - Kenai

Appointed 11/07/92 Expires 10/31/98

L & C

✓ Board of Veterinary Examiners

Virginia M. Johnson, DVM - Anchorage

Appointed 03/10/89 Reappointed 05/12/92 Expires 01/31/95

CCSS

James Leach, III, DVM - Big Lake

Appointed 02/01/88 Reappointed 05/12/92 Expires 01/31/96

Barbara J. Marcisak - Palmer

Appointed 06/11/92 Expires 01/31/96

✓ Violent Crimes Compensation Board

Carol B. Eastaugh - Auke Bay

Appointed 01/29/81 Reappointed 11/30/89, 12/15/92

Expires 12/15/95

JUL

✓ Alaska Workers' Compensation Board

Ray W. Kimberlin - Fairbanks

Appointed 10/13/92 Expires 07/01/95

Nancy J. Ridgley - Ward Cove

Appointed 10/13/92 Expires 07/01/95

Darrell F. Smith - Anchorage

Appointed 08/19/88 Reappointed 08/20/91, 05/08/92

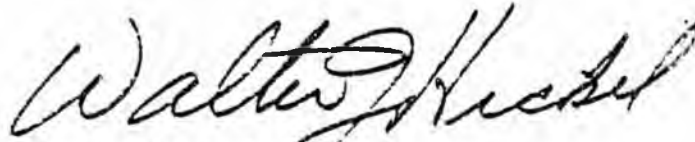
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The résumés for these appointments have been submitted to the offices of the Senate Secretary and the House Clerk.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Walter J. Hickel". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Walter J. Hickel
Governor

Alaska Marine Pilots

P.O. Box 730, Dutch Harbor, AK 99692

March 23, 1993

Representative Richard Foster
Chair House Transportation Committee
Alaska State Legislature

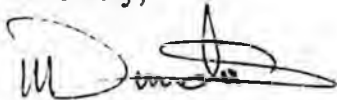
Dear Sir:

The members of Alaska Marine Pilots wish to endorse the confirmation of Marine Pilot Board appointees Donna Bumgardner, John Klepper and Mark Springer, when the matter comes before the Transportation Committee. We believe that each has shown a desire to enhance public safety and to protect the marine environment of Alaska by the decisions they have made as Board members. Each has been thoughtful in their comments and even-handed in their voting on some very difficult issues.

Perhaps the most impressive aspect of their service is the great amount of time each spent in reviewing transcripts and information packets of past Pilot Board meetings to get up to speed as quickly as possible. Also, each of the appointees is well prepared for current Board meetings as evidenced by the specific questions asked and comments made. Mr. Klepper has done an excellent job as vice-chairman in Mr. Watts' absence.

In closing, I wish to say that while AMP has not always agreed with the opinions or the votes of these appointees, we do believe that they each had an open mind when arguments were heard and that they ultimately voted with the best interests of the State of Alaska in mind.

Sincerely,



Capt. Thomas Dundas
President, Alaska Marine Pilots

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~~Bumgardner~~

DONNA C. BUMGARDNER

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PO Box 171
Valdez, AK 99686
(907) 835-4610

Business
PO Box 1609
Valdez, AK 99686
(907) 835-5251

EXPERIENCE

REGISTERED VESSEL AGENT (ALASKA)

11/88 to Present

BP OIL SHIPPING COMPANY, USA, Valdez, Alaska

Shipping Agent

Direct and control vessel movements within port area. Orders pilots, tugs and Government officials as required by the vessel. Attends vessel on arrival and departure and monitors during port visit. Act as liaison for the vessel, vessel owners and charterers.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY

04/81 to 11/88

CALEB BRETT, U.S.A., Inc., Valdez, AK

Executive Secretary / Petroleum Inspector

Completing marine cargo surveys, marine technical reports. Assisting clients with survey reports, bills of affreightment and cargo nominations. Cross trained as Petroleum Inspector. Trained and supervised part time secretary.

EDUCATION

PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND COMMUNITY COLLEGE, Valdez, AK
1985

Attended classes in "IBM Display Writer" and "Office Procedures & Automation"

SUNCOAST HIGH SCHOOL, Rivera Beach, FL
1977

General studies including courses in "Business Communications" and "Clerical Business Education."

PERSONAL

Active in Eagles Auxiliary #1971 since 1980 holding several positions including, secretary and Chaplain.

Certified member of Professional Association of Divers, Inc. (P.A.D.I.).

Notary Public, State of Alaska (Lic #70472).

March 25, 1993

Jeannie Smith
Dept. of Transportation
Juneau, AK 99811

Dear Ms. Smith:

Thank you for your recent phone call regarding the Marine Pilot Board Hearing. It was a pleasure to speak with you.

Since I began my duties as a Board Member, I have become aware of the responsibility each Board Member has to ensure the best interest of the State. I have met with various Pilot Associations, Industry groups and Representative in Juneau.

I feel that since the appointment, I have kept an open objective approach to the issues before that Board. I really enjoy the challenge of interpreting the issues, researching the problems and attempting solutions. It has given me so much experience and knowledge that I believe I am an asset to the Board and hope the hearing goes well.

I look forward to hearing from you again,

Sincerely,

Donna C. Bumgardner

Donna C. Bumgardner
Port Agent

1188 MINERAL CREEK DR
P.O. BOX 3065
VALDEZ, ALASKA 99686

JOHN C. KLEPPER

Klepper

Bus Ph: (907) 835-6932/6903

Home Ph: (907) 835-4239/6956

PRESENT EMPLOYMENT:

1991 Operations Manager
SERVS Alyeska Pipeline Service Co.
Ship Escort Response Vessel System
SERVS, Alyeska Pipeline Service Co.
Valdez, Alaska

FORMER GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS:

1/1/89 Appt'd President of the Board of Pilot Commissioners
6/86-12/88 Appt'd Commissioner for the Board of Pilots for the Bays of San Francisco, San Pablo, and
(Reappt'd 1/89-90) Suisun, State of CA (Appointment by Governor)

MEMBERSHIPS:

Propeller Club of the United States, Port of the Golden Gate
Council of American Master Mariners, San Francisco Chapter
Operations Committee, Pacific Merchant Shipping Association

DEGREES & CREDENTIALS:

1985 M.B.A., Monmouth College
1972 Certificate of Advanced Engineering Studies in Environmental Engineering
1968 B.S. in Meteorology and Oceanography, New York State Maritime College
Current U.S.C.G. Masters Lic., First Class Pilotage; (U.S. East Coast) and endorsements

OTHER CURRICULUM:

1991 Crisis Management - ICS Command System for Planning (CMT/110, 114, 113 & 160)
Computer Skills - Professional Office System (PROFS/PROFS Advanced)
Time Management - Personal efficiency training for scheduling, calendars, timing,
effectiveness of time utilization. (By Time Systems, Exxon Co. U.S.A.)
1990 Environmental Response - Emergency Response Team Training; ERT Organization
Training/Drill Review for Oil Spill Response Organization
Environmental Response - OSHA 29 CFR 1910-120 (HSAWPR)
1989 Environmental Issues - The Legal Perils of Hazardous Waste and Environmental Management,
San Francisco State University.

OTHER CURRICULUM (Continued):

1988-1989 Vessel Chartering - Principles of Chartering, Association of Ship Brokers & Agents, Inc.

1988 Personnel Management - Mgmt Seminar on Employee Drug Use Policy, Exxon Shipping Co.

1987 Labor Relations - Positive Management Leadership, Nestle Enterprises, Inc.
Vessel Management - Exxon Shipping Company Fleet Management Conference

1986 Business Scoping Study - McGraw Hill Business Planning Seminar
Management Teamwork - EXCEL Leadership Enhancement Program

1984 Communications - Effective Presentation Course, Exxon Company, U.S.A.

1987 Personnel Management - Equal Employment Opportunity Training for Exxon U.S.A. Mgmt
Tanker Technical - Crude Oil Washing & Inert Gas Systems Course, Leith Nautical College

1981 Management Skills - Marine Management Course, Exxon Co., U.S.A., Marine Department

1980 Environmental Response - Oil Spill Control Course, Texas A&M Extension Service

PUBLICATIONS AND REPORTS:

1985 Hamburg Terminal Survey, (Exxon Corp. PPD Audit)
Performed Corporate Survey with representative from ER&E and EssoChem Europe, Inc.

1980 Cvs Excellence Breakout Report, 80 EUSA

1972 A report on the prototype current velocity and salinity data collected in the upper Chesapeake Bay for the Chesapeake Bay model study. (Chesapeake Bay Institute Spec. Rept. 27 Ref. 72-12)

A report on the prototype data collected in the Potomac River for the Chesapeake Bay model study. (Chesapeake Bay Institute Spec. Rept. 25 Ref. 72-2)

1967 African Particles as Condensation Nuclei. Journal of the Am. Meteorological Soc., 67-10

PRIOR EMPLOYMENT:

1990 Environmental Affairs Analyst
Houston Headquarters
Exxon Shipping Company

1986-1989 Transportation Coordinator
West Coast Fleet Office
Exxon Shipping Company

1985 Senior Operations Supervisor
West Coast Fleet Office
Exxon Shipping Company

1984-1985 Senior Turnaround Coordinator
East Coast Branch Office
Exxon Shipping Company

PRIOR EMPLOYMENT (Continued):

1981-1984 Agency Section Head
East Coast Branch Company
Exxon Shipping Company

1979-1981 Tanker Turnaround Coordinator
Exxon Company, USA
Marine Department, East Coast Branch . . .

Prior 1978 Research Associate, Managing the Data Acquisition Program for the
Army Corps of Engineers, Chesapeake Bay Model Program
Chesapeake Bay Institute
The Johns Hopkins University
Baltimore, Maryland 21218

Master Coastwise Vessel - JEANNE C.
Poling Transportation Corp.
New York, New York

Master Motor Tanker PRINCESS BAY
East Coast Tanker Corp.
New York, New York

SS AFRICAN PLANET and LIGHTNING
Farrell Lines, Inc.
New York, New York

Tanker ESSO BALTIMORE
Humble Oil & Refining Co.
Houston, Texas

SS BALTIMORE
Sea-Land Services, Inc.
Port Elizabeth, New Jersey

MARITIME COLLEGE NON-ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES:

Cadet Corps: Regimental Commander (Ashore); Division Commander (Afloat)
President & Treasurer of Dance Committee
President of Propeller Club
Chief Deck Indoctrination Officer
Captain of Swimming Team
Captain of Rowing Team
Member of Honor Committee
Student Observer with Gulf Oil Corp., Marine Department
Maritime Management Institute 1967, 1968

LISTING OF ACADEMIC CURRICULUM TAKEN:

Business Management:

Business Policy	Collective Bargaining
Financial Management	Business Statistics
Financial Accounting	Business Ethics
Managerial Accounting	Organizational Behavior
Quantitative Analysis	Marketing Concepts & Strategies
Production Management	International Business
Investment Strategies	Computer Economics
Computer Information Systems	
Various Marine Transportation Courses (Undergraduate)	
Various Economics Courses (Undergraduate)	

Engineering Courses:

Marine Machinery - Steam and Diesel
Naval Architecture and Vessel Construction
Navigation Equipment and Ocean Instruments
Various Electrical Engineering and Electronics Courses
Various Computer Courses

Environmental Courses In:

Water and Air Pollution	Water Supply and Drainage
Environmental Engineering	

Science:

Fluid Mechanics	Statistical Methods
Chemistry and Physics	Weather Forecasting
Various Math through Advanced Differential Equations	
Various Physical Oceanograph and Meteorology Courses	

Marine Courses:

Admiralty Law
Various Operations and Navigation Courses

Other Courses:

Various Literature, History, Humanities, Languages (German and French)

PERSONAL STATISTICS AND INFORMATION:

BORN January 23, 1945
HEIGHT 5'10"
WEIGHT 200 lbs
HEALTH Excellent
MARITAL Married

INTERESTS Hiking, camping, skiing, archery, swimming, carpentry, Napoleonic Miniatures collecting, writing, chess & dancing

COMPUTER Computer literate in: DOS based systems in Symphony, Harvard Graphics, WordPerfect (v 4) limited, Transportation Simplex Algorithms, Transportation Problem Network Systems, and various other business related programs and computer-based games.

SPOUSE Anne Covele (ne Ferguson) Klepper
BACKGROUND Accountant, Psychologist, Teacher, and Australian Investment Counselor
INTERESTS Tennis and Squash A-grade champion

CHILDREN Five sons: Lionel (Grad School, Sydney); Anthony, Geoffrey, Erik, and Drew. Students one and all!

Springer
KED Marine
1 pilots

Resume' of
MARK EDWARD SPRINGER
P.O. Box 13
Hooper Bay Alaska 99604
(907) 758-4535

Position Sought:
Public member appointment,
Alaska Board of Marine Pilots

Experience:
Municipal administrator
Assistant to the Mayor
City of Hooper Bay
1988-1990

Merchant Marine
Deckhand
Yutana Barge Lines
Summer 1990, 1991
Yukon River and Bering Sea

Journalist:
Contributing Editor, ALASKA COMMERCIAL FISHERMAN
Correspondent, BETHEL VILLAGE VOICE
Staff Writer, FAIRBANKS DAILY NEWS-MINER
1984
Editor In Chief, POLAR STAR
University of Alaska, Fairbanks
1980

Other:
Telecommunications Technician
Power Plant Operator
United Utilities, Incorporated

REFERENCES:

Jack Coghill, Lt. Governor
Paul Fuhs
Representative Richard Foster
Clem Tillion
Jacqueline Lindauer

**Statement by
Honorable Richard Foster
Chairman, House Transportation Committee**

March 25, 1993

This afternoon this Committee is considering Legislative confirmation of Governor Hickel's appointments to the Board of Marine Pilots.

I am pleased to say that one of his nominees for a seat on this important board is a constituent of my district.

Mark Springer of Hooper Bay was appointed to the Board in June of last year, and has been seated as one of the two public members at all Board meetings since.

He brings a variety of experience to the Board of Marine Pilots. Mark is a U.S. Coast Guard veteran, and has worked in the Western Alaska marine transportation industry.

The Board of Marine Pilots is charged by statute with ensuring the prevention of the loss of lives and property and the protection of the marine environment of the State through exercise of its jurisdiction over pilotage and marine pilots.

Mark Springer has, and will continue to carry out his duties as a member of this Board with diligence and zeal.

I am pleased that Governor Hickel appointed Mark to the Board, and I invite my fellow Committee members to join me in recommending to the entire House his confirmation.