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CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Action date: MARCH 4, 2002

The Judiciary Committee has reviewed the qualifications of the following appointee:

Violent Crimes Compensation Board

Leslie D. Bogda Wheeler - Wasilla

Appointed: 05/15/1996 Reappointed: 12/11/1998 and
01/18/2002 Term Expires: 03/01/2004

The committee reports the following individual recommendations:

Signature:	Printed Last Name	Confirm	Do Not Confirm	No Rec
	James	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Coakill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Kookesh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Meyer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Penkowitz	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Chair:	ROLFS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Action date: March 4, 2002

The Judiciary Committee has reviewed the qualifications of the following appointee:

Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar
William A. Granger - Anchorage
Appointed: 06/29/2001 Term Expires: 03/01/2003

The committee reports the following individual recommendations:

Signature:	Printed Last Name	Confirm	Do Not Confirm	No Reg
<i>James</i>	JAMES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<i>John Coghill</i>	Coghill	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<i>John Meyer</i>	Meyer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<i>William Benowitz</i>	BENOWITZ	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
<i>Allan Kookesh</i>	Kookesh	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Chair: <i>Sam Rokeberg</i>	ROKEBERG	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

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CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Action date: March 4, 2002

The Judiciary Committee has reviewed the qualifications of the following appointee:

Commission on Judicial Conduct

Jeffrey M. Feldman - Anchorage

Appointed: 09/01/1993 Reappointed: 07/16/1997 and
06/07/2001 Term Expires: 03/01/2005

The committee reports the following individual recommendations:

Signature:	Printed Last Name	Confirm	Do Not Confirm	No Rec
	Coghill	✓		
	Meyer	✓		
	Berkowitz	✓		
Chair:	ROKEBERG	✓		

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MEMORANDUM

Date: February 21, 2002

To: Representative Rokeberg, Chair
Judiciary Committee

From: Suzi Lowell, Chief Clerk *SL*

Subject: Governor's Appointments

Speaker Porter referred the following Governor's appointments to the Judiciary Committee:

Board of Governors of the Alaska Bar

William A. Granger - Anchorage

Appointed: 06/29/2001 Term Expires: 03/01/2003

Commission on Judicial Conduct

Jeffrey M. Feldman - Anchorage

Appointed: 09/01/1993 Reappointed: 07/16/1997 and
06/07/2001 Term Expires: 03/01/2005

Violent Crimes Compensation Board

Leslie S. Bogda Wheeler - Wasilla

Appointed: 05/15/1996 Reappointed: 12/11/1998 and
01/18/2002 Term Expires: 03/01/2004

The resumes and committee reports are attached for your use.

Attachments as noted

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Granger, William A.
Bar Association, Board of Governors

References

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David H. Bundy Esq., Bundy & Christinson 258-6016
Patrick B. Gilmore Esq., Atkinson, Conway & Gagnon, Inc., 276-1700
Barbara Schuhmann Esq., Cook, Schuhmann & Groseclose, Inc., 452-1855
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Richard Strutz, President, National Bank of Alaska, 265-2948
Thomas W. Mason, Senior Vice President, Alaska USA Federal Credit Union, 786-2746
Allen B. Bingham, CPA, Partner, Mikunda, Cottrell & Co., 278-8878

Affiliations

Board Member, Anchorage Center for Families
Past Board Member, Hilltop Youth, Inc. (operator of Hilltop ski area)
Board Member, Alaska Snowmobile Representatives Alliance
Past President, Make-A-Wish Foundation, Alaska Chapter
Board Member, Alaska Bar Foundation
Board Member, National Bank of Alaska
RMA Senior Member
American Institute of Banking Instructor

Licenses/Permits

Real Estate Agent (expired)
PADA Scuba Diver
Private Pilot
Concealed Weapon

Education

Dimond High School, 1972
Gonzaga University, 1972-1974
Anchorage Community College, 1969-1986
American Institute of Banking
Pacific Coast Banking, 2001

Employment History

Matanuska Valley Bank, 1968 – 1978
Consumer lending and Branch Management

Alaska National Bank of the North, 1985-1987
Senior Vice President
Loan Administration/ Special Assets

National Bank of Alaska, 1988-Present
Senior Vice President, Senior Loan Administration
Board Member

Personal

Alaska resident for 37 years. Married to Diane Otto, a lifelong Alaskan. Three children:
daughter teaches school in Seward, and sons are enrolled in the Anchorage School District.

JEFFREY M. FELDMAN
BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

(907) 272-3538 (work)

PERSONAL: Born November 8, 1949, Providence, R.I.; Married (Marjorie), two children (Peter and James)

EDUCATION: Northeastern University (B.A. with honors, 1972; J.D., 1975)

BAR ADMISSIONS: Alaska, Rhode Island, Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, United States Supreme Court

LAW PRACTICE: Feldman & Oriansky (1991-present) [trial and appellate practice, emphasis on complex civil and criminal litigation]

Gilmore & Feldman (1978-1990)

Assistant Public Defender, Alaska Public Defender Agency (1976-1978)

Law Clerk, Alaska Supreme Court (1975-76)

AWARDS: Alaska Bar Association Professionalism Award (1998)
United States District Court Public Service Award (1987, 1995)
ACLU Public Service Award (1993)

PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL OFFICES AND APPOINTMENTS:

Chairman, Alaska Commission on Judicial Conduct (1992-present)

President (1993-1996), Board of Governors (1992-1998), and Member (1985-present)
Alaska Academy of Trial Lawyers

President (1989-1990), Board of Governors (1986-1992), Alaska Bar Association

Governor's Alaska Highway Gas Policy Council (2001-present)

Governor's Task Force on Civil Liability Reform (1996)

Chairman, Alaska Supreme Court Standing Committee on Criminal Rules (1984-1989)

Reporter, Civil Justice Reform Act of 1990 Advisory Panel for the District of Alaska (1991-1994)

Alaska Supreme Court Committee on Pattern Jury Instructions (1979-1985)

Alaska Committee of Bar Examiners (1981-1986; 1995-1997)

JEFFREY M. FELDMAN

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PUBLIC AND PROFESSIONAL OFFICES AND APPOINTMENTS, CONT'D

Attorney Representative and Member, Judicial Screening & Evaluation Committee,
Judicial Conference of the Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals (1983-1987)

Director of the National Council, Northeastern University, Boston, Massachusetts
(1994 to present)

Governor's Appointee, Alaska Humanities Forum Board (1995-1997)

President, Board of Directors, Family Connection (1979-1985)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

Fellow, American Academy of Appellate Lawyers
Alaska Academy of Trial Lawyers
American Board of Trial Advocates
National Ass'n of Criminal Defense Lawyers
American Bar Association
Anchorage Bar Association
Alaska Academy of Trial Lawyers
Anchorage Inns of Court

American Law Institute
Association of Trial Lawyers of
American Judicature Society
Alaska Bar Association
Rhode Island Bar Association
Washington State Trial Lawyers Assn.
American Inns of Court
Instructor, National Institute of Trial
Advocacy

PUBLICATIONS:

"Justice Rabinowitz and Personal Freedom: Evolving A Constitutional Framework," 15 Duke-Alaska
Law Review 1 (June, 1998)

*"Report of the Civil Justice Advisory Group for the United States District Court for the District of
Alaska"* (1991)

"Compelling Testimony in Alaska: The Coming Rejection of Use and Derivative Use Immunity," 3
Duke-Alaska Law Review 229 (1986)

"The Fifth Amendment, Self-Incrimination and Foreign Prosecution: The Saga of the Ryuyo Maru,"
11 U.C.L.A.-Alaska Law Review 119 (1982)

"Certifying Professional Competence: The Alaska Experiment," 52 The Bar Examiner 4 (1983)

"Criminal Procedure in Alaska," 9 U.C.L.A.-Alaska Law Review 109 (1980)

"Search and Seizure in Alaska: A Comprehensive Review," 7 U.C.L.A.-Alaska Law Review 75 (1977)

"Pre-Trial Diversion of the Mentally Retarded Offender," Massachusetts Bar Association Report (1975)

Wheeler, Leslie Bogda
Violent Crimes Compensation Board

Leslie D. Bogda Wheeler
P.O. Box 878885
Wasilla, Alaska 99687

(907) 376-9119 - home

OBJECTIVE: As the public member of the Violent Crimes Compensation Board, continued participation in the development and provision of compensation to all innocent victims of violent crime and terrorism in Alaska

EDUCATION: Master of Business Administration, Degree, Alaska Pacific University, 1995.
Bachelor of Social Work, Degree, University of Alaska Anchorage, 1984.

**RELATED
EXPERIENCE:**

- 6/96 to present Further developed and expanded family residential housing business. Consulted and advised regarding rural small business development and marketing, non-profit administration, policy and community development. Served as public member and current chairperson of the Violent Crimes Compensation Board. With fellow Board members and staff assistance reviewed and awarded claims for compensable losses as submitted by innocent victims of violent crime in Alaska. Participated in the supervision and evaluation of the Administrator. Worked to develop program policies to more fully compensate out of pocket losses of victims throughout Alaska. Attended Victims of Crime Act regional and national conferences and training.
- 6/96 to 9/96 Within the context of a community team, implemented an emergency program to assist victims of natural disaster in rural Alaska. Assisted with Alaska Native disaster victims to be sure needs were met despite cultural differences. Advocated for funding to replace lost tools and business related equipment.
- 5/95 to 6/96 Successfully secured finances and assisted partner with purchase and development of raw land and materials for residential construction and sale.
- 9/93 to 5/95 Graduate Assistant to the Director of the Management Department of Alaska Pacific University, Alaska's largest private university. Work included program and curriculum development; creation and production of program related marketing documents; development of accreditation statistics and documents; participation in staff and faculty meetings. Proctored senior comps.
- 11/84 to 12/93 Executive Director of a multi-service, nonprofit, domestic violence and sexual assault agency and twenty-bed shelter. Developed the organization into a viable community resource which directly served more than 4,300 clients a year. Developed community awareness of and appropriate services for victims of violent crimes and their families. Brought financial status of agency from significant budget deficit to a positive fund balance. Developed budgets and oversaw more than one million dollars annually in fund accounts with outstanding annual audits. Secured funding for operations and capital projects. Oversaw development and construction of facilities. Worked closely with state and national organizations.
- 9/78 to 9/81 As Nutritionist at the largest domestic violence shelter in Alaska, developed the new position to meet program needs.
- 9/77 to 8/78 Developed tutoring program for students in an innovative alternative high school to help them graduate with a high school diploma.

OTHER INTERESTS: *Local, state and national response to victims of violent crime and terrorism.*

REFERENCES: *Upon request.*