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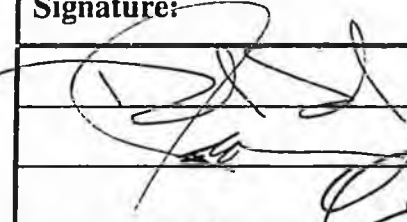
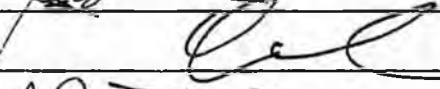

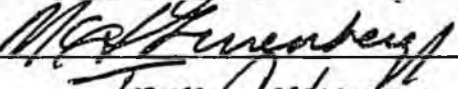
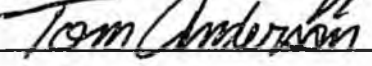
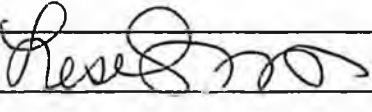
CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Action date: May 18, 2003

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Judiciary Committee has reviewed the qualifications of the following Governor's appointee and recommends that this name be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA)
 Kate Giard - Anchorage
 Appointed: 06/01/2003 Term Expires: 03/01/2007

This does not reflect intent by any of the members to vote for or against this individual during any further sessions for the purposes of confirmation.

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MEMORANDUM

Date: May 14, 2003
To: Representative McGuire, Chair
Judiciary Committee
From: Suzi Lowell 
Chief Clerk
Subject: Governor's Appointment

Speaker Kott referred the following Governor's appointment to the Judiciary Committee:

Regulatory Commission of Alaska (RCA)
Kate Giard - Anchorage
Appointed: 06/01/2003 Term Expires: 03/01/2007

The resume and committee report are attached for your use.

Attachments as noted

KATE GIARD

2415 La Honda Drive
Anchorage, AK 99617
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Chief Fiscal Officer, Municipality of Anchorage, 2000 - Present

Responsible for maintaining the strong financial health of the Municipality through the management and reporting of financial matters associated with the day-to-day operation of Anchorage's local government. Principal duties include establishing a strong management team of professionals who, through five different divisions and 101 employees, administer the Municipality's debt portfolio, including those of its regulated and non-regulated utilities; property assessment; tax revenue billing and collections; financial systems, accounting and reporting; and the Municipality's self insurance program.

Chief Operating Officer, Alaskan Choice TV 1996 - 1999

Promoted Alaska's only local competitive alternative to hard line cable systems using UHF frequencies with operations in Fairbanks, Mat-Su and Anchorage. Responsible for all FCC regulatory matters and received the first award for the experimental use of digital UHF signals in the United States. Established the framework for a partnership with Dish Network, which provides satellite television services in Alaska, to jointly provide over-the-air digital cable to Alaskan communities with integrated digital local channels.

Chief Financial Officer, Alaska Village Initiatives 1995 - 1996

Responsible for financial management of this development corporation which used federal and state grants to promote economic development in rural Alaska. Managed investment portfolio, real property, financial and governmental reporting, budget preparation, and regulatory compliance.

Director of Internal Audit, Anchorage School District - 1995

Reviewed administrative operations of ASD and proposed efficiency improvements.

Certified Public Accountant 1984 - 1994

Financial auditing services with KPMG, Deloitte & Price Waterhouse. Experience with real estate, technology, construction, resource extraction, defense, mortgage banking, retail and wholesale industries in Alaska, Michigan and Massachusetts.

Education

Trinity College, BS, Accounting and Business Administration

Accreditation

Certified Public Accountant, Massachusetts Board of Public Accountancy 1987-1995

Community Service

MOA School Budget Advisory Commission 1996-1999

Past Member, Anchorage Downtown Rotary, Paul Harris Fellow

Subject: Murkowski appoints Giard to RCA
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Murkowski Appoints Giard to RCA


(Juneau) - Governor Frank H. Murkowski today announced the appointment of Kate Giard of Anchorage to a seat on the Regulatory Commission of Alaska. Giard, currently chief fiscal officer for the Municipality of Anchorage, will take her seat on June 1, 2003, to complete a term that ends March 1, 2007.

"I am pleased to appoint Kate Giard to the RCA, as she brings a good acquaintance with the regulation of both public utilities and telecommunications," Murkowski said. "With her background as a CPA and fiscal analyst, she will provide good service to the people of Alaska."

Giard has been chief fiscal officer for Anchorage since 2000, where she has gained a working knowledge of the RCA's regulation of the city's utilities. Before that, from 1996-99, she worked as chief operating officer of Alaska Choice TV, a UHF based television company, where she worked FCC regulatory issues. Giard worked as a CPA with several national firms from 1984-94, was director of audit for the Anchorage School District in 1995, and was financial manager for a development corporation, 1995-96.

Giard holds a BS in accounting and business administration from Trinity College and was accredited as a CPA from 1987-95 in Massachusetts. She replaces Will Abbott on the RCA, who has resigned effective May 31, 2003.

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