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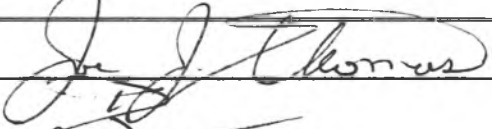

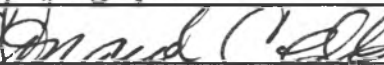
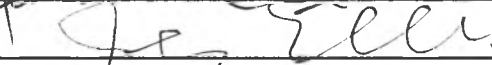
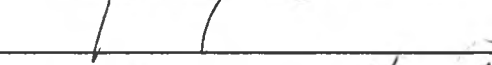
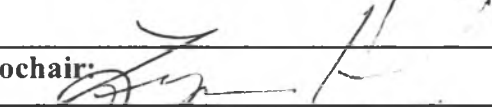

**SENATE
CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Date: 07/15/11

In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Finance Committee reviewed the following and recommends the appointment be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Commissioner – Department of Revenue
Bryan Butcher

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

Signature:	Printed Last Name
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Memorandum

TO: Senator Stedman, Cochair
Senator Hoffman, Cochair
Finance Committee

FROM: Kirsten Waid *KW*
Secretary of the Senate

DATE: February 2, 2011

SUBJECT: Confirmation of Governor's Appointment

Pursuant to AS 39.05.080, the President has referred the following name for legislative confirmation to your committee for a hearing, recommendation and report:

Commissioner – Department of Revenue
Bryan Butcher
Appointed: 11/24/2010

Resume(s) will be transmitted electronically.

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Butcher, Bryan

Commissioner - Department of Revenue

Commissioner Bryan Butcher

Commissioner Bryan Butcher was appointed to this position beginning in January, 2011 by Governor Sean Parnell. Mr. Butcher was the Director of Governmental Relations and Public Affairs for the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) for the last eight years and in a dual role was also Vice President of the recently formed Alaska Gasline Development Corporation (AGDC) since 2010. In 2009 Mr. Butcher served as a Special Assistant working on Economic Development issues for Governor Parnell. Mr. Butcher also served as a member of former Governor Sarah Palin's gasline team through the AGIA process.

Before joining AHFC in 2003, Mr. Butcher previously worked for the Alaska State Legislature as a Finance Committee Aide for the House and Senate Finance Committees for 12 years.

Mr. Butcher is also currently serving as the coordinator for Governor Sean Parnell's statewide transition team.

A lifelong Alaskan born and raised in Anchorage, Mr. Butcher holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Speech Communications from the University of Oregon.

BRYAN D. BUTCHER

VICE PRESIDENT

Anchorage, AK

Alaska Gasline Development Corporation

2010

Worked as the Vice President for the newly established Alaska Gasline Development Corporation that was tasked with developing a plan on how an in-state gas pipeline can be designed, financed, constructed and made operational by December 31, 2015. This plan is due to be submitted to the legislature by July 1, 2011. Was in charge of the Corporation's budget, as well as working on the financing and outreach aspects of the task. Worked in concert with the Commercial Manager in meeting with gas pipeline construction companies, investment banks and gas producers to gauge interest in this project as required by state statute.

LEAD COORDINATOR

Alaska

The Transition Team of Alaska Governor Sean Parnell

2010-2011

In charge of putting together eight policy transition teams that included over 100 Alaskans in developing a transition team report on recommendations in the policy areas of Education, Health Care, Science and Technology, Public Safety and Justice, Resources, Energy and the Environment, Infrastructure, Financial Services and Business Investment and the Military.

SPECIAL ASSISTANT

Anchorage, AK

Alaska Governor Sean Parnell

2009-2010

Worked on issues in the broad policy area of economic development for the Governor, including the establishment of policy teams that met to advise the Governor on issues of importance to that particular sector of the economy.

DIRECTOR OF GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Anchorage, AK

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation

2005-2010

Responsibilities include all communications with the Governor, Legislature, Congress and the federal government on issues affecting the Corporation. Accomplishments include getting more flexibility for the Public Housing Division by having Congress include Alaska in the Moving to Work program and establishment of the Weatherization and Home Energy Rebate programs in the Corporation. Responsibilities included preparing and giving presentations on the Corporation's fiscal health and outlook to the credit rating agencies on Wall Street and assisting in virtually all areas of the Corporation's policy management, including Finance, Public Housing and Mortgage Operations. Also was responsible for all marketing, press relations and public outreach, including the successful educational campaign for the 2010 Veterans mortgage loan program general election vote.

Responsible for successful legislation passed including the establishment of the Alaska Housing Capital Corporation for the funding of future capital projects, expansion of the Teachers and Nurses Housing Loan program to include all health care professionals and expanding the Corporation's statutes to allow it to do more for homeless Alaskans.

MEMBER**Governor Sarah Palin's AGIA Gas Pipeline Team****Alaska
2007-2008**

Worked on the evaluation aspects of the team focused on the financing and bonding proposals included in the applications received during the AGIA process.

CHAIR**Department of Revenue Transition Team****Alaska
2006**

Was in charge of developing and compiling the recommendations for the Department of Revenue transition team document for the Administration of Alaska Governor Sarah Palin.

LEGISLATIVE LIAISON**Alaska Housing Finance Corporation****Anchorage, AK
2003-2005**

Was in charge of relationship with the Governor and the Legislature in all communications, including passing of AHFC transfer plan legislation that resulted in an upgrade in the Corporation's credit rating from Standard and Poor's. Also successfully worked to get a \$25 million AHFC bond bill passed by the legislature to fund sewer and water projects.

SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE AIDE**Alaska State Senator Pete Kelly, Co-Chair****Anchorage and Juneau, AK
2001-2003****Senate Finance Committee**

- Worked on the development of the \$227 million transportation bond bill and \$237 million education bond bill for the Senate Finance Committee that passed the legislature and was approved by voters in the November 2002 election.
- Was the Finance Committee staff person responsible for the development of the \$1.4 billion state capital and public works budget, including road, port, school construction and public sanitation projects.
- Fiscal analysis and oversight of \$2.3 billion State of Alaska operating budget, including the preparation of State Senate versions of state agency budgets for the \$151 million Department of Community and Economic Development and the \$134 million Department of Fish and Game.

Policy Development

- Development of strategy resulting in the successful passage of the State's operating and capital budgets by the legislature and subsequent signature into law by the Governor.

HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE AIDE**Alaska State Representative Gene Therriault, Co-Chair****Anchorage and Juneau, AK
1999-2001****House Finance Committee**

- Was the Finance Committee staff person responsible for the development of the \$1 billion state capital and public works budget, including road, port, school construction and public sanitation projects.
- Fiscal analysis and oversight of \$2.3 billion State of Alaska operating budget, including the preparation of the State House version of the state budget for the \$1.07 billion Department of Health and Social Services.
- Developed the missions and measures for the Department of Health and Social Services for the legislature. This included better defining the missions of the divisions in the department

and generating measures that would allow for the increase in the effectiveness and the efficiency of those divisions.

CHIEF OF STAFF

Anchorage and Juneau, AK

Alaska State Representative Terry Martin

1998

House Finance Committee

- Fiscal analysis and oversight of \$2.3 billion State of Alaska operating budget, including the preparation of State House versions of state agency budgets for the \$140 million Department of Revenue and the \$28 million Department of Law.

Policy Development

- Development of legislation in the area of public finance, intended to produce a more "honest" budgetary method of accounting for the state's general fund.

Public Affairs Management

- Development of public outreach programs targeting constituents, community councils, trade organizations and special interest advocacy groups using direct mail, contact with the press and public appearances.

MANAGER OF CLIENT DEVELOPMENT

Los Angeles, CA

Global Stratagem Group

1997

Led efforts to develop private sector clients for strategic planning consulting firm, with an emphasis in infrastructure development and public affairs advocacy. Clients included Montgomery Watson Americas, Inc., Nelson NamePlate Co. and the City of Vernon, CA.

LEGISLATIVE COORDINATOR

Anchorage, AK

American Cancer Society/American Heart Association

1997

Public Affairs Management

Worked with executive directors of the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association and their lobbyists to develop and execute a strategic plan to pass legislation that would fund children's programs by substantially increasing the tobacco tax in the State of Alaska. A primary component in executing the plan was targeting individuals who had strong relationships with individual legislators in order to gain those legislators' support. Activities included direct contact with influential political and community leaders in order to get them to personally lobby for the legislation. After unsuccessful attempts in the prior three legislative sessions, the legislation was successfully passed and signed into law by the Governor during the 1997 legislative session.

CHIEF OF STAFF

Anchorage and Juneau, AK

Alaska State Senator Steve Rieger

1993-1997

Senate Finance Committee

- Fiscal analysis and oversight of \$2.6 billion State of Alaska operating budget, including the preparation of State Senate versions of state agency budgets for the \$425 million Department of Health and Social Services, the \$370 million University of Alaska, the \$320 million Department of Transportation and the \$91 million Department of Public Safety.
- Assisted in the development of the yearly state capital budget, ranging in size from \$100 million to \$325 million general funds.

Policy Development

- Development of legislation in areas of health and social services and public safety, including legislation reducing the overpayment of welfare amounts, a budget cutting matter, and a bill to extend state police protection coverage to parts of Senator Rieger's district not covered at the time.
- Oversight of the development of legislation dealing with the prioritization of the investments of the Alaska Permanent Fund, the Senator's top priority, a fund of approximately \$24 billion.

LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANT

Anchorage and Juneau, AK

Alaska State Senator Rick Uehling

1989-1993

Senate Finance Committee

- Fiscal analysis and oversight of the \$3.1 billion State of Alaska budget, including the preparation of State Senate version of the state agency budget for the \$102 million Department of Corrections budget and assisted in the development of the state senate version of the \$760 million Department of Education budget.
- Assisted in the development of the yearly state capital budget, ranging in size from \$100 million to \$500 million general funds.

Policy Development

- Development of legislation in areas of health and social services, natural resources and revenue, including passage of legislation dealing with the protection of workers from sexual harassment in the workplace. Also worked on a resolution urging Congress to open the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil and gas exploration. Worked on legislation that came through the Senate Finance Committee for the Senator.

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON

Eugene, OR

Bachelor of Science degree, Speech: Rhetoric and Communication, 1987.

WEST ANCHORAGE HIGH SCHOOL

Anchorage, AK

Graduated 1982.