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**SENATE
CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Date: 2-13-15

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

Big Game Commercial Services Board

James (David) Jones – Kodiak

Appointed: 3/1/2013

Reappointed: 3/1/2015

Term Expires: 3/1/2019

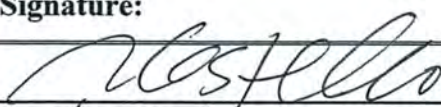

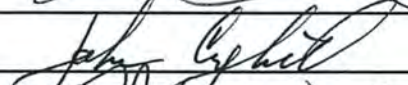
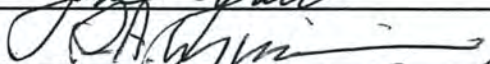
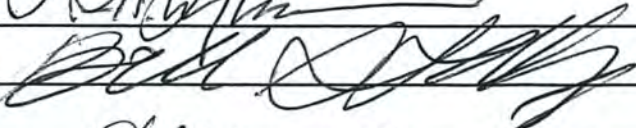
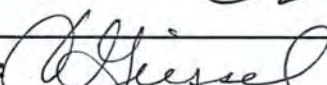
Kelly Vrem – Palmer

Appointed: 3/1/2011

Reappointed: 3/1/2015

Term Expires: 3/1/2019

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

| Signature: | Printed Last Name |
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| Chair:  | GIESSEL |

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| Big Game Commercial Services Board | | James David Jones |
| General Information | | |
| <i>Board/Commission and seat you are seeking:</i> Big Game Commercial Services Board, Marine Transporter | | |
| <i>Additional Boards/Commissions of interest:</i> 1) Big Game Commercial Services Board 2) Big Game Commercial Services Board 3) Big Game Commercial Services Board | | |
| <i>State Boards/Commissions on which you have served</i> None | | |
| <i>First</i> James | <i>Middlename</i> David | <i>Last Name</i> Jones |
| <i>Mailing Address</i> [REDACTED] | <i>City</i> [REDACTED] | <i>State & ZIP</i> [REDACTED] |
| <i>Home/Message Phone</i> [REDACTED] | <i>Business Phone</i> [REDACTED] | <i>Cell Phone</i> [REDACTED] |
| <i>Email Address</i> [REDACTED] | <i>Are you a registered voter?</i> Yes | |
| <i>Date of Birth</i> 0000-00-00 <i>Gender</i> [REDACTED] <i>Military Service</i> | <i>Ethnicity</i> [REDACTED] | |
| Conflict of Interest | | |
| <i>Certain boards and commissions require full disclosure of personal financial data under AS 39.50.010. If required for the board or commission for which you are applying, are you willing to do so?</i> Yes | | |
| <i>Could you or any member of your family be affected financially by decisions to be made by the board or commission for which you are applying?</i> Yes | | |
| <i>Please explain the potential financial benefit</i> Our family business is AlpenView Wilderness Lodge, Inc. A licensed transporter. | | |
| Employment History | | |
| <i>Employment work history including paid, unpaid or voluntary.</i> I Moved to Kodiak in 1977 after getting my commercial pilot s license. I first worked as a pilot for Viking Air Service and later Island Air Service 1977 1980. This was my first exposure to big game commercial services as much of our flying was in support of bear and deer hunters. | | |

I started commercial fishing in 1980 and continued flying as a fish spotter through 1987. In 1985 I received my first special use permit from the USF&WS, to guide sport fishing on the Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge, under the business name Kodiak Outfitters . In 1988 I opened Olga Bay Lodge on southwest Kodiak Island and sport fish guiding has been my primary occupation from 1988 through the present. I m currently a major shareholder in, and manager of, AlpenView Wilderness Lodge, Inc.

Education, Training, Experience & Qualifications

List both formal and informal education and training experiences:

Graduated Lincoln High School, Tacoma, Washington/1975

Commercial Flight at Clover Park Voc/Tec Tacoma, Washington/1977

List any professional licenses, certifications, or registrations and dates obtained that may be used as qualifying criteria:

Commercial Pilot/1976

USCG 100 ton Master/1984

Transporter/2010

List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received.

Currently serving my second term as president of the Kodiak Association of Charterboat Operators (KACO).

Conviction Record

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor within the past five years or a felony within the past ten years?

No

Conviction Circumstances

Certification of Accuracy & Completeness

By submitting this online application, I swear the information I have entered on this form is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I deliberately conceal or enter false information on the form my application may be rejected, I may be removed from the list of eligible candidates, or I may be removed from the position. I agree that the Office of the Governor may contact present or former employees or other persons who know me to obtain an additional information about my skills and abilities. I understand that the information on this application is public information and may be released through a legal request for such information.

Type "I certify"

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Resumé Addendum

Press Release Wording

{James "Dave" Jones}, {56} of {Kodiak}, is {Manager and head guide of AlpenView Wilderness Lodge on Kodiak Island} Dave has been a professional outdoorsman on Kodiak Island, providing commercial services to hunters and fishermen, for the past 35

years.

Submitted: 01/28/13 at 1:01 pm from 65.74.85.73

General Information

Board/Commission and seat you are seeking:
Big Game Commercial Services, Guide Seat
Additional Boards/Commissions of interest:
None

State Boards/Commissions on which you have served:
Big Game Commercial Services Board

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| First Name Kelly | Middle Name Lee | Last Name Vrem |
| Mailing Address [REDACTED] | City [REDACTED] | State & Zip [REDACTED] |
| Home/Message Phone [REDACTED] | Business Phone [REDACTED] | Cell Phone [REDACTED] |
| Email Address [REDACTED] | | Are you a registered voter? Yes |
| Date of Birth [REDACTED] | Gender | Ethnicity [REDACTED] |
| Military Service | | |

Conflict of Interest

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Yes

Could you or any member of you family be affected financially by decisions to be made by the board or commission for which you are applying?
Yes

Please explain the potential financial benefit
Yes | As a guide any new regulation has the potential to affect me financially

Employment History

Employment work history including paid, unpaid, or voluntary.
Assistant Guide license issued July of 1973. Registered Guide 1977. Self Employed since 1980.
1979 to present Commercial Pilot, Chugiak Aviation, Sea Airmotive, Woods Air Service, Nordic Flying Service, and presently operate Viking Air Service.

Education, Training, Experience & Qualifications

List both formal and informal education and training experiences:
Chugiak High School Graduate 1971 1 year Western State College of Colorado

List any professional licenses, certifications, or registrations and dates obtained that may be used as qualifying criteria:
Master Big Game Guide license #102

List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received.
Member of The Alaska Professional Hunters Association since 1980. Approximately 20 years as a Board of director member. Vice President was the last position.

Conviction Record

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor within the past five years or a felony within the past ten years?
No

Conviction Circumstances

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Resume Addendum:

Native Born Alaskan, currently owner of Rough And Ready Guide Service Inc. Conducting Big Game Hunting in the Wrangell St-Elias National Park Preserve and Becharoff National wildlife Refuge. Big Game guiding in Alaska for 41 years. Commercial Pilot since 1979, over 16,000 hours of Alaska Flying experience. FAA, Airframe and Powerplant Mechanic with Inspection Authorization.

Press Release Wording

{Kelly Vrem Master Guide #102}, {62} of {Sutton}, is reappointed to the Big Game Commercial Services Board}.

Submitted: 10/13/2014 9:31:54 PM

Please Support Kelly Vrem and David Jones for confirmation to the Big Game Commercial Services Board.

I have participated in nearly every meeting since these two men were originally appointed. While I may not agree on all the issues with them, they are two of the more functional and hard working members of this Board.

Thank You,

Aaron Bloomquist
PO Box 560
Tok AK 99780

Dear Senator Giessel,

I would like to ask you and the other members of the Senate Resources Committee to seriously consider reappointing Mr. Kelly Vrem as a member of the Big Game Commercial Services Board.

I have had the pleasure of serving on the Big Game Commercial Services board now for two years with Mr. Vrem serving as our chairman. He is an experienced board member and chairman who understands our board process and he is a strong leader who fully realizes the importance of the Big Game Commercial Services Board and its beneficial role to our state, the public and the professional big game guiding and transporter industries, particularly in the tumultuous times that lay ahead. As a man of extreme integrity and clear thinking, I believe Mr. Vrem is an important and valuable asset to the Big Game Commercial Services Board and I strongly support his reappointment.

I also support the reappointment of Mr. David Jones to the Big Game Commercial Services Board. I sincerely appreciate having the opportunity to share my support for these two individuals and it is my sincere hope that they remain on the Big Game Commercial Services Board.

Lastly, I would like to personally thank you for your time, effort and dedication in serving the people of Alaska.

Very truly yours,

Henry D. Tiffany IV

Current Big Game Commercial Services Board Member

Master Guide # 144

P.O. Box 329

Ester, Alaska 99725

907-223-3226

Dear Senator Giessel:

I am writing to support the confirmation of Kelly Vrem for another term as a member of the Big Game Commercial Services Board. I have attended and been an active participant in meetings of this board for many years. Never has it been so responsive and unbiased as it has been since Kelly has been a board member and then Chair. I serve as the (volunteer) head proctor for the practical portion of the testing of new guides and chair the committee to rewrite these portions of the test, and Kelly has been a strong source of encouragement in this undertaking. Kelly has shown himself able to act for the best interest of the industry he represents and the conservation of the resources we utilize, without personal bias or underlying motive. I am glad he decided he would like to serve another term, and urge you to move his confirmation through the Senate Resources Committee. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Loren J. Karro

Registered Guide # 941

Ms. Loren J Karro

26239 E Buckshot Dr.

Palmer, AK 99645

lorenk@mtaonline.net

907-745-3712

Senators,

Thank you for all your hard work! I hope you will confirm Kelly Vrem to another term on the Big Game Commercial Services Board. He is an experienced chair that knows the board process and guide issues. I think he has done a good job thus far.

I support Davey Jones too.

Sincerely,

Wayne Kubat / Alaska Master Guide 147

Alaska Remote Guide Service

PO Box 874867

Wasilla, Alaska 99687

Phone/Fax:907-376-9568

ALASKA

PROFESSIONAL HUNTER ASSOCIATION, INC.

P.O Box 240971~ Anchorage, AK 99501

Phone: (907) 929-0619~ (907) 868-1562

Email: office@alaskaprohunter.org ~ www.alaskaprohunter.org

February 12, 2015

Senator Cathy Giessel
Senate Resource Committee
State Capitol Room 427
Juneau AK, 99801

RE: Big Game Commercial Services Board Appointments

Madame Chair and Committee Members,

The Alaska Professional Hunters Association strongly recommends that both Chairman Kelly Vrem and Board Member David Jones be reappointed to the Big Game Commercial Services Board.

Chairman Vrem is an experienced Chair who understands the board process. He has put a tremendous amount of time and energy into this position and he has a thorough understanding of the many different issues that both the guiding and the transporting industry faces.

Mr. Jones has shown himself to be a good board member. He approaches the process with an open mind, and is careful to consider all sides of an issue before forming an opinion. He also represents an often neglected aspect of the transporting industry, that of the marine based transporter.

Both Chairman Vrem and Mr. Jones are well respected within their industries. APHA appreciate the time and effort that both men have given to this board, and we strongly recommend they both be reappointed to the Big Game Commercial Services Board.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sam Rohrer
President, APHA

**SENATE
CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Date: 03/18/15








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

Commissioner – Department of Natural Resources

Mark Myers

Appointed: 12/1/2014

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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|  | Stoltze |
| Chair:  | Giessel |

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MARK D. MYERS

WORK HISTORY

2011-Present Vice Chancellor for Research – University of Alaska Fairbanks

- Administer the university's \$123-million-per-year research enterprise.
- Supervise the university's standalone research institutes including the Geophysical Institute, the International Arctic Research Center, and the Institute of Arctic Biology.
- Oversee Statewide National Institute of Health INBRE Research Program.
- Statewide Director and Principle Investigator for EPSCoR Program, directed efforts to successfully renew \$20 million NSF EPSCoR grant.
- Lead efforts to develop new large scale interdisciplinary research proposals focusing on sustainability.
- As Co-Chair of the State of Alaska Committee on Research lead the development of a new Science and Technology Plan for Alaska.
- Realigned research support including the Offices of Research Integrity, Sponsored Programs, Research Administration, and the Animal Resources Center.
- Created the Office of Intellectual Property and Commercialization, resulting in a more than five-fold increase in invention disclosures.
- Provided the senior leadership and support for the creation of an integrated office for coordinating university-wide undergraduate research.
- Built multiple new collaborative research partnerships with universities, agencies and organizations.
- Oversee efforts to ensure research results are extended into the local communities and are available for local and state economic development.
- Provided expert testimony for the Alaska State Legislature and US Congress.

2009-2010 Alaska Natural Gas Inducement Act (AGIA) Coordinator

- Served as the first Alaska Natural Gas Inducement Act Coordinator, a new position created under state statute and appointed by the Governor of Alaska.
- Built a new organization for overseeing and coordinating state agencies engaged in efforts to build a large diameter natural gas pipeline from the North Slope to market.
- Managed state efforts with multinational oil industry consortium designing and permitting the large diameter natural gas pipeline system.

2006-2009 Director of the United States Geologic Survey

- Managed the nation's largest water, earth, and biological science and civilian mapping agency. Responsible for nearly 9000 employees in 400 locations worldwide, with a total annual budget of more than \$1.4 billion.
- Revitalized the USGS climate change and the national civilian mapping programs.
- Implemented a new ten year interdisciplinary science strategy throughout the agency.
- Advanced the development of the Landsat 8 (LDCM) satellite and the National Land Imaging Program.
- Released the entire 35 year Landsat data library at no charge to the public.
- Implemented a new regional structure for the USGS, building strong partnerships with state and national organizations and agencies.
- Significantly increased the USGS budget in a challenged budget environment.
- Testified before Congress on many issues including water quality, geothermal energy, climate change, satellite operations, and the Department of the Interior budget.
- Served on many national and international science and environmental committees.
- Circum-Arctic oil and gas resource appraisal completed under my leadership.

2001-2005 Director of the State of Alaska Division of Oil and Gas /State Geologist and Director of the State Division of Geological and Geophysical Surveys

- Managed the State of Alaska's oil and gas resources under two Governors.
- Responsible for resource evaluation, leasing, unitization, permitting, royalty accounting, auditing, sale of royalty oil and gas, permitting and inspecting.
- Supervised a professional staff of approximately 90 professionals including geoscientists, engineers, land managers, accountants, commercial analysts and auditors.
- Managed petroleum revenue of approximately \$2 billion per year.
- Restructured the organization and nearly doubled the division's budget and staffing.
- Worked closely with the Alaska Legislature to develop and pass numerous oil and gas statutes.
- Effectively managed relations with the public, industry, environmental organizations, native regional and village corporations, federal and local governments.
- Presented the concept of a North Slope natural gas hydrate evaluation program to the U.S. Senate. Concept was incorporated into law with an authorization for \$70 million.
- In 2005 also appointed as State Geologist and Director of the Division of Geological and Geophysical Survey, managing a staff of 38 performing statewide geological mapping, natural hazards research program, and inventory surveys for mineral and energy resources.

1998-2001 **ARCO Alaska, Inc./Phillips Alaska Inc.**
Sr. Staff Geologist - Exploration

- Developed Alaskan oil and gas exploration prospects for ARCO/Phillips, resulting in many lease purchases, wells drilled and three oil discoveries, two of which are producing today.
- Led and participated in North Slope geologic field research programs.
- Created a "Center for Excellence" within Alaska for integrated exploration efforts.

1990-1998 **State of Alaska Division of Oil and Gas**
Senior Petroleum Geologist

- Evaluated the oil and gas potential of federal onshore and offshore acreage for State of Alaska.
- Performed geological field research.
- Managed statewide oil and gas evaluation of federal lands available for final state selection. My recommendations resulted in the state selecting over 3 million acres of additional land from the federal government.
- Provided expert testimony to U.S. Senate.
- Wrote regulations for and provided significant input on many State oil and gas statutes.
- Completed geological evaluations for State of Alaska in support of unitization, plan of development approval, and/or tract allocation factors for most North Slope oil fields.
- Authored numerous DNR Commissioner and Director decisions.

1987-1990 **University of Alaska Fairbanks**
Ph.D. Student and Intern with Alaska Division of Oil and Gas

1985-1987 **ARCO Alaska, Inc.**
Development Geologist

- Development geologist responsible for two of the three production segments of the Kuparuk River oil field during the early stages of production.
- Created subsurface maps, developed drilling targets and extension exploration oil prospects, evaluated well results and seismic information.

1983-1985 **ARCO Alaska, Inc.**
Exploration Geologist

- Developed exploration prospects in the Beaufort Sea.

- Well site geologist for wells on the North Slope, Beaufort Sea, Navarin Basin and Norton Sound. Led and participated in geologic field programs.

**1981-1983 ARCO Oil and Gas, Lafayette, LA
Extension Exploration Geologist**

- Developed and evaluated extension exploration prospects and infield development wells in offshore and onshore Louisiana.
- Evaluated oil field properties for acquisition.

**1978 Chevron USA, New Orleans, LA
Exploration Geologist**

- Performed regional subsurface geologic assessment of a large portion of the Louisiana Gulf of Mexico shelf.

1977-2003 Lt. - Lt. Colonel, USAFR

- Pilot and Senior Intelligence Officer in the Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Geology, University of Alaska Fairbanks, 1994.

Fields of Specialization: sedimentology, clastic depositional environments, surface and subsurface sequence analysis and sandstone petrography.

Dissertation: *Evolution of Late Cretaceous - Early Tertiary Depositional Sequences in the Beaufort-Mackenzie Basin, Canada.*

M.S. Geology, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1981.

Fields of Specialization: stratigraphy, paleoecology, sedimentology.

Thesis: *The Stratigraphy and Sedimentology of the Upper Wonewoc Formation.*

Honors: Vilas Fellowship, Twenhofel Scholarship.

B.S. Geology and Geophysics, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1977.

Honors: Sophomore Honors, Senior Honors Thesis, Graduation with Honors.

Military: Squadron Officers School
Air Command and Staff
Air War College
Air Force Pilot Training
Air Force Air Intelligence School

SELECTED CURRENT AND PAST LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

Member of the National Petroleum Council – Advisory Committee to the Secretary of Energy
Member of the Methane Hydrate Advisory Committee – Department of Energy
US Delegate to the Arctic Council Scientific Cooperation Task Force
Member of National Academy of Sciences Report Committee on Responding to Oil Spills in Arctic Marine Environments
Co-Chair and Member of the Alaska State Committee on Research
Member of the Alaska Geospatial Council
Member of the Science Advisory Board for the Global Adaptation Institute
Co-Chair of the Plenary Session and Head of United States Delegation for Group on Earth Observation (GEO-V), Bucharest, Romania, November 19-20, 2008
Member of the Interagency Coordinating Committee of the National Earthquake Hazard Reduction Program (NEHRP)
Ex-officio Member of the Roundtable on Environmental Health Sciences, Research, and Medicine, Institute of Medicine of the National Academies
Member of the National Science and Technology Council (NSTC)
Member of the International Polar Year, U.S. Government Leadership Panel

Principal of the United States Climate Change Science Program.
Member of the Interagency Arctic Research Policy Committee (IARPC)
Chairman of the Civil Applications Committee (CAC)
Past President/Board Member – Alaska Geological Society
Member of the House of Delegates of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

Certified Professional Geologist – American Institute of Professional Geologists
Certified Petroleum Geologist – American Association of Petroleum Geologists
Licensed Geologist – State of Alaska
Commercial Pilot, land and sea, single and multiengine instrument airplane

SELECTED INVITED TALKS IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS

Research Needs for Arctic Energy Exploration, Production and Transportation, Energy Council 2013 Energy and Environmental Matters Conference, Washington DC, March 8, 2013.

The Future of Energy Development in Arctic Alaska: Energy, Development, and Protecting the Environment, Carnegie Institute for Peace Arctic Conference, Washington DC, Feb 12, 2013.

Emerging Research Areas at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, Civil Applications Committee of the US Government, Reston, VA, Jan 23, 2013.

What is at Risk? – Building Bilateral Collaboration in Geohazards of the Russian Far East – Alaska Region, American Geophysical Union, San Francisco, CA, Dec 5, 2012.

Mineral and Mining Research at UAF, Alaska Strategic and Critical Minerals Summit, Fairbanks AK, Nov 30, 2012.

Challenges and Limitations in Scenario Planning and Forecasting For Future Development, US-Canada Northern Oil and Gas Research Forum, Anchorage, AK, Nov 15, 2012.

Development of an Integrated Oil Spill Research Center at UAF – Innovative Interdisciplinary Research that Matters to Alaskans, Alaska Geological Society, Anchorage, AK, Nov 15, 2012.

Alaska's Natural Gas Potential, Alaska LNG Summit, Valdez, AK, Sept 13, 2012.

Opportunities for Greater US-Canada Arctic Research Collaboration, PNWER Arctic Caucus Conference, Whitehorse, Yukon, May 18, 2012.

Energy Research and Education and its Role in Alaska's Economy, Fairbanks Alliance, Fairbanks AK, April 4, 2012.

The Future: Circum-Arctic Energy Resources: Opportunities and Challenges in a Changing Environment, Oil Spills in Sea Ice Meeting, Fermo, Italy, September 21, 2011.

Arctic Resources, North American Marine Environment Protect Association Resources and Readiness in Alaska Seminar, Anchorage, Alaska, August 18, 2011.

Research Needs and Priorities, Opening remarks for the United States, Canada - United States Northern Oil and Gas Research Forum, Calgary, Alberta, November 30, 2010.

Natural Gas Hydrates in Arctic Alaska: From Geological Hazard to Energy Supply, Alaska Oil and Gas Congress, September 29, 2010.

The North Slope of Alaska 43 Years after Prudhoe Bay State No. 1: Opportunities and Challenges, American Association of Petroleum Geologists Division of Professional Affairs, Anchorage, AK, May 10, 2011.

Geoscience, Ideology and the Politics of Energy: What is the Role of Geoscience in the Development and Implementation of a Rational and Sustainable Energy Policy? Alaska Geological Society, Anchorage, AK. February 18, 2010.

Alaska's Natural Gas Pipeline - Moving Forward-Securing North America's Energy Future, Canadian Institute's Alaska Oil and Gas Conference, Anchorage, AK. September 15, 2009.

Ecosystem Change: Managing Resources in an Uncertain Future, Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission 2009 Midyear Issues Summit, Anchorage, AK. May 12, 2009.

Domestic Natural Gas and Its Role Building the Nation's Energy Future, Pipeline Opportunities Conference, Houston, TX. March 11, 2009.

**SENATE
CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Date: 2-23-15⁰⁴

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

Board of Game

Kip Fanning – Yakutat

Appointed: 3/1/2015

Term Expires: 6/30/2018

Teresa Sager Albaugh – Tok

Appointed: 7/1/2012

Reappointed: 3/1/2015

Term Expires: 6/30/2018

Yakutat

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| Signature: | Printed Last Name |
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| <i>Micciche</i> | <i>Micciche</i> |
| <i>Stedman</i> | <i>Stedman</i> |
| <i>Stoltze</i> | <i>Stoltze</i> |
| Chair: <i>Giessel</i> | <i>Giessel</i> |

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Teresa Sager Albaugh

I am a lifelong Alaskan, raised in Fairbanks, and a 23 year resident of the Tok / Mentasta area. I have a strong personal interest and family background in hunting, fishing and trapping, and support sound scientific, sustained yield management of Alaska's renewable resources. I also support the tenets of our state constitution guaranteeing all residents equal access to fish and game.

WORK HISTORY

1996 – Present

Summit Consulting Services, Inc., Tok, Alaska

(Remote Project Construction Management & Design Services)

Personnel Management • Proposal Development • Internal Operations Management

1983 – 1995

Alaska State Legislature

- o 1995: Senate Rules Committee Aide • Senator Mike Miller, Chair
- o 1993 – 1994: Senate Resources Committee Aide • Senator Mike Miller, Chair
- o 1985 – 1992: Legislative Aide • Representative / Senator Steve Frank
- o 1984: Interim Legislative Aide • Representative Dick Shultz
- o 1984: House C&RA Committee Secretary • Representative Mike Miller, Chair
- o 1983: Legislative Secretary • Representative John Ringstad

1981 – 1982

Fairbanks North Star Borough Transit System

Clerk / Revenue Collections

EDUCATION

Graduate, Monroe Catholic High School • Fairbanks

VOLUNTEER / NON-PROFIT POSITIONS

Alaska Outdoor Council

- President (2005 – 2007)
- Board Member (1986 – 1990 and 2004 – 2007)

Alaska Division of Elections • District R / 36 – Mentasta Precinct

- Chair / Volunteer Poll Worker Coordinator (1998 – Present)

Slana Alaskans Unite • Secretary (1998 – Present)

MEMBERSHIPS

Alaska Outdoor Council

Slana Alaskans Unite

National Rifle Association

Focus on the Family

PERSONAL BACKGROUND

I grew up in a family where being outdoors - well out of town and away from the crowds - was considered a great thing. As a child, my five siblings and I spent summers with our mother, father, aunt, uncle and grandparents at the family cabin, where we literally got our feet wet, our faces dirty, and our hearts and minds filled with a deep appreciation for "the woods." We learned to fish with a rod and reel, handle firearms, and to clean and eat what we killed. As adults, we have continued these traditions and we have the pleasure of now passing them on to our children, nieces and nephews.

I personally have had the good fortune of many wonderful hunting opportunities for moose, caribou, sheep, bear, and deer, as well as ducks, ptarmigan and grouse. My husband, Bill, runs a trapline in the winter and as often as possible I join him to learn from and share the experience. We live in a log home, haul water, run a propane cook stove and lights, and provide our own part-time power system. Much of our diet comes from the wild food we harvest and each year's bounty from the garden.

I have no formal or professional training in wildlife management. My experience comes from a combination of personal field observation spending time in the natural environment, and a layman's study of applicable state and federal fish and game laws.

In part because of my personal interest in the outdoors, my work as a legislative aide often involved resource issues, which allowed me to hear many hours of testimony from Alaskans who expressed their perspectives and strong opinions on a wide range of fish and wildlife issues. I was also fortunate to have worked toward the passage of laws that have benefited hunters and trappers. My service on the board of directors of the Alaska Outdoor Council, including two years as president, has further broadened my understanding and appreciation of how important wildlife and the outdoors are to the people of the state. I have attended local Advisory Committee meetings, offered testimony to the Game Board, and provided public comments to the National Park Service on proposals of impact to the people, land, fish and game of my area.

Enabling present and future Alaskans to be responsible stewards of the resource, and to continue building and strengthening our outdoor heritage by assuring opportunity, are objectives I consider very meaningful and important. I believe they are goals that can be pursued and achieved through the efforts of the Board of Game, and I would be grateful for the opportunity to serve in that capacity.

On behalf of the nearly 900 members of the Alaska Trappers Association, I would like to express our support for the reappointment of Teresa Sager Albaugh to the Board of Game. Teresa has been a voice for the average person on the Board. She listens carefully to public testimony and brings those comments to the discussion with her peers on the Board. Teresa is a hunter and trapper. Thus, she understands the problems and needs of other people who pursue those activities. As a woman and a rural resident, Teresa brings a unique perspective to the Board. Her past performance clearly indicates her effectiveness on the Board. Once again, we support her reappointment to the Board of Game.

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| Game | | Kip Jason Fanning |
| General Information | | |
| <i>Board/Commission and seat you are seeking:</i> Game, Public seat | | |
| <i>Additional Boards/Commissions of interest:</i> 1) Aviation Advisory Board 2) Game 3) AK Permanent Fund Corporation | | |
| <i>State Boards/Commissions on which you have served</i> None | | |
| <i>First</i> Kip Jason | <i>Middlename</i> | <i>Last Name</i> Fanning |
| <i>Mailing Address</i> ██████████ | <i>City</i> Yakutat | <i>State & ZIP</i> AK ██████ |
| <i>Home/Message Phone</i> ██████████ | <i>Business Phone</i> | <i>Cell Phone</i> |
| <i>Email Address</i> ██████████ | <i>Are you a registered voter?</i> Yes | |
| <i>Date of Birth</i> 1976-08-15 <i>Gender</i> Male <i>Military Service</i> | <i>Ethnicity</i> Alaskan Native | |
| Conflict of Interest | | |
| <i>Certain boards and commissions require full disclosure of personal financial data under AS 39.50.010. If required for the board or commission for which you are applying, are you willing to do so?</i> Yes | | |
| <i>Could you or any member of your family be affected financially by decisions to be made by the board or commission for which you are applying?</i> No | | |
| <i>Please explain the potential financial benefit</i> | | |
| Employment History | | |
| <i>Employment work history including paid, unpaid or voluntary.</i> Yakutat Lodge, City and Borough of Yakutat (snow removal), Situk Leasing | | |
| Education, Training, Experience & Qualifications | | |
| <i>List both formal and informal education and training experiences:</i> | | |

Elementary school /jr high (Fairbanks) , Jr High, High School (Yakutat) ,North Aire, (pilots license), Raised in a hunting and fishing lodge and still have an active role.

List any professional licenses, certifications, or registrations and dates obtained that may be used as qualifying criteria:

Fishing Guide, pilot

List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received.

Volunteer Fire Fighter

Conviction Record

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor within the past five years or a felony within the past ten years?

No

Conviction Circumstances

Certification of Accuracy & Completeness

By submitting this online application, I swear the information I have entered on this form is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I deliberately conceal or enter false information on the form my application may be rejected, I may be removed from the list of eligible candidates, or I may be removed from the position. I agree that the Office of the Governor may contact present or former employees or other persons who know me to obtain an additional information about my skills and abilities. I understand that the information on this application is public information and may be released through a legal request for such information.

Type "I certify"

"I certify"

Resumé Addendum

Press Release Wording

Kip Fanning ,Yakutat , 37 owns and operates Situk Leasing, born and raised Alaskan in the hunting and fishing industry.

Submitted: 02/19/14 at 4:04 pm from 65.74.120.96

**SENATE
CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Date: 03/23/15

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

Alaska Gasline Development Corporation Board of Directors

Hugh Short – Anchorage

Appointed: 2/19/2015


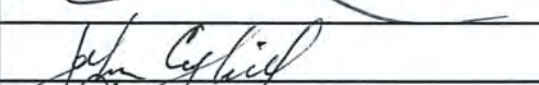
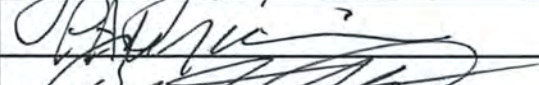
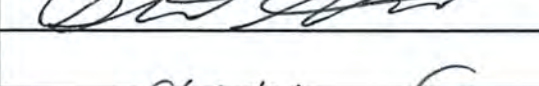
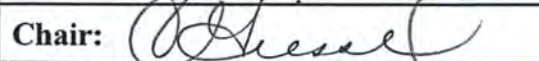
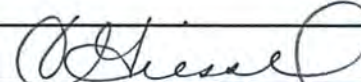
Term Expires: 9/13/2016

Attorney General – Department of Law

Craig Richards

Appointed: 12/1/2014

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| Chair:  | Giessel |

Please return to the Senate Secretary's Office (Room 211).

CRAIG W. RICHARDS
Attorney General Designee
Alaska Department of Law
1031 W. 4th Avenue, Suite 200
Anchorage, AK 99501

SUMMARY OF BACKGROUND

Seasoned attorney with proven record of integrating legal and financial analytical skills in project development, litigation, negotiations and deal teams. Adept at organizing and managing complex transactions and identifying and creating financial strategies. Undergraduate, law, and MBA degrees from top national programs.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2003-2014 WALKER & RICHARDS, LLC, Anchorage, AK
Partner at a boutique law firm specializing in municipal and oil and gas law. Practice focused on project development, finance, and tax. Had progressive responsibility over ten years of employment leading to management of the litigation team and coordinating strategic issues with clients. Regularly built sophisticated valuation, Monte Carlo, and other decision models to analyze tax, litigation, and project development issues.
- Served as bond counsel for the issuance of more than \$1.0 billion in municipal bonds.
 - Periodically undertook policy and asset allocation analyses on municipally owned permanent funds.
 - Performed an analysis of a \$10 million contract governing fishing quotas and developed a renegotiation strategy to bring it back into profitability.
 - Familiarity with oil and gas leasing and unitization issues in Alaska.
 - Developed strategies related to oil and property taxes such as for the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System, including working closely with appraisal, cost estimating, reserve, and other subject matter experts.
- 2002-2003 WOHLFORTH, VASSAR, JOHNSON & BRECHT PC, Anchorage, AK
Associate at an Alaska law firm that focused on public finance.
- Junior or lead bond counsel for governmental issues aggregating to over \$1.5 billion in debt.
 - Spent over a year researching and drafting a position paper on the feasibility of using tax-exempt private activity bonds to finance the construction of an Alaska natural gas pipeline.
- 2000-2001 ALASKA SUPERIOR COURT, Fairbanks, AK
Law Clerk for the Honorable Ralph R. Beistline.
- Supervised dispositive, evidentiary, and discovery motions and appeals.

EDUCATION

DUKE UNIVERSITY, Fuqua School of Business, Durham, NC

Master of Business Administration, May 2008

Summer Position, Rogge Global Partners PLC, London, UK. Completed macro-economic research projects for a fixed income manager and oversaw inception documentation for an internally run hedge fund.

WASHINGTON & LEE UNIVERSITY, School of Law, Lexington, VA

Juris Doctor, May 2000

Part-time Position, HCI Consulting, Lexington, VA. Handled discovery for a small consulting firm involved in contract disputes in Mexico.

Summer Position, AEW Capital Management, Boston, MA. Equity research for the Real Estate Investment Trust group of a real estate asset management firm.

Summer Position, Dorsey & Whitney, LLP, Anchorage, AK. Drafted memoranda in a variety of practice areas for a large national law firm.

Summer Position, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Washington, DC. Legal analysis on financial issues such as whether the swaps markets should be regulated.

UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA, McIntire School of Commerce, Charlottesville, VA

Bachelor of Science, Commerce, Concentration in Finance, May 1997

Summer Position, Dresdner RCM Global Investors, LLC, San Francisco, CA. Trading intern for an asset management firm.

Hugh S. Short



Objective

To make a positive impact in organizations to help achieve the strategic mission and vision.

Biographical Highlights

- Hugh Short is an Inupiat Eskimo, born and raised in Bethel, Alaska. He has spent his career creating and operating successful businesses in the Arctic. From 2011 to 2013, Hugh served as the Chairman of the Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority, a \$1.5 billion organization that serves as the Alaska Investment Bank, appointed by Alaska Governor Sean Parnell.
- Through his experience as the President and CEO of Alaska Growth Capital BIDCO, Inc. ("AGC" or "Alaska Growth Capital"), a non-depository lender that has deployed over \$300 million of alternative debt products (primarily in Alaska) Hugh saw and understood the need for a private equity firm that could finance complex projects and also bring together various stakeholders to move the Arctic forward. Hugh also had the opportunity to see that many operating companies based in Alaska and operating in the Arctic had inefficient and/or insufficient capital structures, which constrained their potential. Additionally, Hugh understood that new ownership structures, partnering with Alaska Native Corporations and global investors, would provide better management and higher overall returns to the owners.
- Extensive leadership experience in rural Alaska, serving as Mayor of Bethel and lead the city government from 2002 to 2004. He also served as the Vice-President, Support Services for the sixth largest employer in the state of Alaska. Managed and lead nine direct reports and over 500 employees in Support Services.
- Worked as a liaison between the rural oil spill affected communities and the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council to educate, inform, and encourage participation in the restoration process. Have extensive state and federal liaison work experience.

Employment

Pt Capital, CEO, Chairman, and Co-Founder – January 2013 to present – Responsible for the fundraising of \$6 million in Series A funding for the company; raising of approximately \$100 million of a targeted \$300 million private equity fund; supervision of the Pt Securities, a FINRA regulated broker/dealer located in Anchorage; and supervision of over 14 employees in Alaska, Washington DC, Toronto, and California.

Alaska Growth Capital - June 2008 to January 2013 – President and CEO – Responsible the deployment of capital for the shareholder, the Arctic Slope Regional Corporation. Lead debt investments into a variety of companies across the spectrum primarily operating in Alaska. Managed a \$300 million portfolio and a staff of up to 12 members of the team.

Alaska Growth Capital - June 2006 to June 2008 – Vice President, Consulting – Responsible for the growth and operation of the consulting practice of the firm. Specialization in strategic planning, financial planning, process improvement, and teambuilding.

Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation - January 2003 to March 2006 - Vice-President, Support Services, Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation - Lead Public Relations, Construction, Facilities, Materials Management, Human Resources, Prematernal Home, Travel Management Center, Grantwriting, and Technology. Served in a lead role for strategic development of the corporation and had significant operational responsibility for a large portion of the corporation.

Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corporation - February 2002 to January 2003 - Director, Learning Center – Responsible for all training and development functions of the organization, including leadership and succession planning, employee development, and leadership in Human Resources.

Subway of Bethel, LLC, - April 2001 to August 2006– Managing Partner – Co-Founded a Quick Food Service restaurant franchise and commercial real estate development corporation that operated in Bethel, Alaska.

Coastal Villages Region Fund - April 2000 to May 2001, Business Development and Project Planner – initiated the Fisheries Revolving Loan Fund, gained \$500,000 from the State of Alaska for the Quinhagak Fish Processing Center, managed sportfishing partnership, and worked on various business development projects in the CVRF region.

Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Trustee Council - May 1996 to March 2000, Community Development Director – Served as the liaison for between the six state and federal trustees on the council and the 21 spill impacted communities in Prince William Sound, Kodiak Island, Kenai Peninsula, and the Alaska Peninsula. Achieved over \$4 million in funding for community initiatives in spill affected communities.

Education

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, University of Alaska Anchorage, 1997

Masters of Science in Organizational Development, Pepperdine University, April 2007 – Coursework completed and thesis under development.

Additional Service

Mayor, City of Bethel, 2002 to 2004

City Council Member, City of Bethel, 2001 to 2002

German Marshall Fellow, Washington DC, 2008

Chairman and Board Member, Alaska Industrial Development and Export Authority, 2011 to 2013

Board Member, Rural Energy Enterprises 2012 to present

Board Member, Alaska Humanities Forum, 2009 to 2012

**SENATE
CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Date: 03/02/15



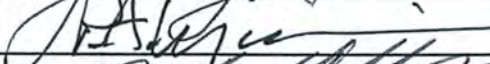


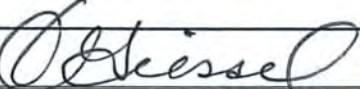
In accordance with AS 39.05.080, the Resources Committee reviewed the following and recommends the appointments be forwarded to a joint session for consideration:

Commissioner – Department of Fish and Game

Sam Cotten

Appointed: 1/20/2015

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|  | Costello |
| Chair:  | Giessel |

Please return to the Senate Secretary's Office (Room 211).

Members of the Alaska Boards of Fish and Game;

Please consider this letter and packet to be my application for the position of Commissioner of Fish and Game. I am currently serving as Acting commissioner and would appreciate your consideration for nomination as permanent commissioner.

Alaska has a proud tradition and well deserved reputation for excellence in fish and game management. I believe my background in government, resource management and hands on experience gives me the ability to help carry on that tradition.


Alaska and the Department of Fish and game face many challenges to our ability to carry out our constitutional and statutory responsibilities regarding the management of the fish, game and aquatic plant resources of the state. Fortunately we have an outstanding professional staff and a board system that works well. I believe one of my strengths is my ability to work with people toward a consensus on sometimes difficult issues. I look forward to working with staff, the boards, the legislature and the public as we address the challenges.

Alaska's fish and game resources are extremely important to all Alaskans and we should constantly strive to involve the public in decisions we make. It will be my intention to reach out and encourage participation at all levels.

The sustained yield principle in Alaska's constitution requires us to insure fish and game resources are managed in strict compliance with this mandate. If we err, it must be on the side of the resource rather than the users.

Alaska's leadership on the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council must be maintained in order to properly meet our mandate of sustained yield as well as meeting our responsibility to insure healthy, sustainable fishing communities and fair opportunities for harvesters and processors. My experience in this arena will help maintain that leadership.

Thank you for your consideration,


Sam Cotten

Objective: Appointment as permanent Commissioner, Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game.

Professional qualifications:

Acting Commissioner, ADF&G Dec. 1, 2014-present

North Pacific Fisheries Management Council, voting member Sept. 2007-June 2013. The council prepares and amends fisheries management plans for the fisheries occurring in federal waters (3-200 nm). The council works with the Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game and the Board of Fish to coordinate management programs in federal and state waters.

Resource analyst/ fisheries consultant for Aleutians East Borough 2001-2014. Attended Board of Fish and North Pacific Council meetings, analyzed regulatory changes, advocated for sustainable fishing communities and opportunities for Alaska based fishermen.

Boards and Committees:

Previous service on a variety of boards and committees 2001-2014

Commercial Fishing and Agriculture Bank (CFAB) board of directors, Alaska Seafood Marketing Institute; committees on food service and retail. State legislative task force on salmon industry restructuring.

Southwest Alaska Municipal conference, fisheries committee.

Cook Inlet Aquaculture Assn. Board of Directors, representing Municipality of Anchorage.

WASSIP work group, (salmon genetic study)

Advisory committee member, International Pacific Fisheries Commission 1987-88

Advisor, U.S.-USSR fisheries negotiations 1989-90

Alaska State Legislature 1975-83, 1985-93, Served in both houses.

Speaker of the House, 1989-90.

Personal

Born 7/16/1947 Juneau, Ak.

Southeast Ak., Juneau, Douglas, Tenakee Springs 1947-51

Palmer, 1951-63

Eagle River, 1963-present

Married: Martha Tillion Cotten, M.D., two sons; Sammy (27) Gus (24)

Education, Chugiak H.S. 1965, University of Alaska A.A degree 1978

Military Service; U.S. Navy 1965-69. Electronics School 1966, USS

Talladega (APA-208) 1966-68, Vietnam 1967. USS Schofield (DEG-3)

1968-69, Vietnam 1969. ETN-2 (E-5).

Community service:

Anchorage Planning and Zoning Commission 1983-84

Anchorage Ski Club board of directors 1982-87

Fire Lake Recreation Center board of directors 1984-present

Chugiak - Eagle River Chamber of Commerce, board of directors 1984-85

Anchorage Airport citizens advisory committee, Chairman 1994-96

Employment: worked as electrician, fire fighter, printer, water well driller, public information officer, Senior technical representative Xerox Corp., commercial fisherman.

Awards:

Alaska's Outstanding Vietnam Veteran by National No Greater Love Foundation. 1975

Wildlife Federation of Alaska, Legislative Conservation award 1988

Alaska Outdoor Council, Special recognition award 1988

Hobbies, interests:

Fishing, boating, skiing, bowling, Alaska history

Management experience

Speaker of the House, Alaska State Legislature 1989-1990.

As the leader, along with the President of the Senate, of the Legislative branch of government my job involved overall management responsibilities for the legislative agencies including administration, finance, legal affairs and research.

Chairman House Rules committee, 1977-1980. Management responsibilities included staffing for individual legislators, assignment of office space, preparation of the daily calendar (insuring legislation was ready for action by the full House of Representatives).

Chairman, house finance committee 1981. State budget preparation, fiscal analysis of legislation.

Chairman: house resources 1987-88, house community and regional affairs 1975-76, Senate oil and gas 1991-92, Senate resources 1992. As committee chairman, management duties included preparation of legislation, public testimony, staff management, working with other legislators, bill sponsors and administration representatives.

Chairman, Alaska Public Utilities Commission 1996-1999 (member 1995) Worked with executive director in management of the several sections within the commission staff. Professionals in the fields of communications, energy, water and wastewater, refuse services were employed by the commission and provided analysis and technical expertise to the commissioners.

Business manager, local investment group 1982-84. Owned and operated a variety of businesses including gas stations, grocery store, commercial and residential rentals.

Owner operator purse seine fishing operation 1987-2007, managed crew and business operations.

Experience in Fish and Game activities:

Sport fishing in lakes and streams in Mat-Su Valley, interior, arctic, Western Alaska, Southeast, Kenai as well as ocean fishing in Cook Inlet, Prince William Sound and Southeast Alaska. 1953-present. Took Alaska Railroad to fish Montana Creek and Sheep Creek before Parks Hwy. was constructed. Fly in fish with friends occasionally.

Trapping for muskrat and mink in the Palmer area 1959-63. Koslosky's, the local fur buyer paid \$.50 for muskrat, decided against trapping as a career.

Hunted in Mat-Su Valley, Prince William Sound, Kenai Peninsula, Wrangell Mountains and Southeast over the years.

Personal use fisheries have included dip netting in China Poot Bay; silver salmon personal use set net; tanner crab, Dungeness crab and shrimp pot fishing, Kachamek Bay and Prince William Sound; as well as clams and mussels in various locations.

Commercial fishing:

Lower Cook Inlet purse seine, permit holder 1987-2007

Sitka and Cook Inlet herring, crew 1993

Sand Point/King Cove beach seine and purse seine, crew 1978-79

Southeast gill net, crew 1977 (one trip)

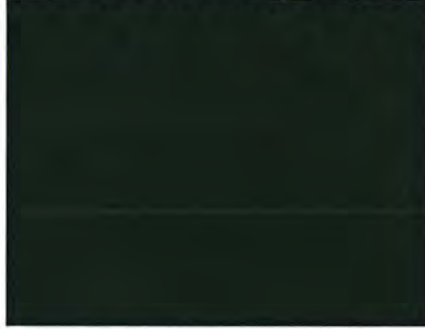
Halibut longline, crew 2014 (two trips)

Pot Cod, Sand Point, ride along, 2012, (one trip)

Professional references:

Charles Cole

Former Attorney General, State of Alaska



Eric Olson

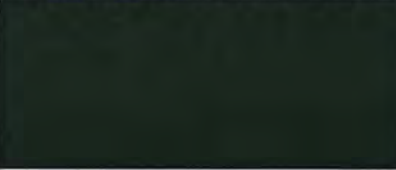
Former Chairman, North Pacific Fisheries Management Council



Denby Lloyd

Executive director, North Pacific Research Board

Former Commissioner, Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game



Southeast Alaska Fishermen's Alliance

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Juneau, AK 99801

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Website: <http://www.seafa.org>



March 2, 2015

Senator Cathy Giessel
Chair, Senate Resources
State Capitol Room 427
Juneau AK, 99801
Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov

RE: Support Sam Cotton for Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

Southeast Alaska Fishermen's Alliance (SEAFA) supports the legislative confirmation of Sam Cotton as Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game. SEAFA is a multi-species, multi-gear group of 300+ members involved in salmon, crab, and shrimp in Southeast Alaska and longline fisheries in Southeast and the Gulf of Alaska.

Our members have worked with Sam Cotton as a legislator, from when he was on the NPFMC and recently as Commissioner of ADF&G. We believe he is fully qualified, approachable, engaged and knowledgeable. Sam's background makes him very aware of the reliance of Alaskans on our wildlife and fishery resources and the importance to the small communities of the state.

SEAFA believes that Sam Cotton can provide the leadership and direction, and coordinate strategy for the protection, management, conservation, and restoration of Alaska's fish and wildlife resources.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathryn Hansen" followed by a long horizontal line.

Kathryn Hansen, Executive Director



UNITED FISHERMEN OF ALASKA

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Physical Address: 410 Calhoun Ave Ste 101, Juneau AK 99801
Phone: (907)586-2820 **Fax:** (907) 463-2545
Email: ufa@ufa-fish.org **Website:** www.ufa-fish.org

March 1, 2015

Senator Cathy Giessel
Chair, Senate Resources
State Capitol Room 427
Juneau AK, 99801
Sen.Cathy.Giessel@akleg.gov

RE: Support Sam Cotton for Commissioner of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

Dear Senator Giessel and members of the Senate Resources Committee,

United Fishermen of Alaska (UFA) is the statewide commercial fishing trade association, representing 36 Alaska commercial fishing organizations participating in fisheries throughout the state and its offshore federal waters. UFA members are also active personal use, sport, and subsistence harvesters. UFA is pleased to support the Governor's nomination for Commissioner of Fish and Game, Mr. Sam Cotten.

As stated in AS 16.05.010, "The commissioner is the principal executive officer of the Department of Fish and Game. The commissioner shall be a qualified executive with knowledge of the requirements for the protection, management, conservation, and restoration of the fish and game resources of the state." Mr. Cotten has extensive knowledge and experience regarding the fisheries management process and possesses the characteristics of a qualified commissioner. UFA members that have worked with Mr. Cotten have found him accessible, engaged and interested in protecting and enhancing Alaska's fisheries.

In addition, Mr. Cotten's substantial experience in the Alaska State Legislature provides him with additional tools to guide the Alaska Department of Fish and Game during the years ahead and to continue to champion outstanding management of Alaska's marine resources. UFA is confident that Mr. Cotten possesses the qualities necessary to manage staff, provide leadership and direction, and coordinate strategy for the protection, management, conservation, and restoration of Alaska's fish and wildlife resources.

Thank you for your time and attention to this important appointment. Please feel free to contact us with any questions.

Sincerely,

Julianne Curry
Executive Director

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**SENATE
CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Date: 03/30/15

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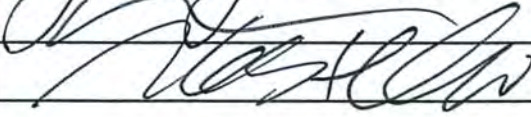


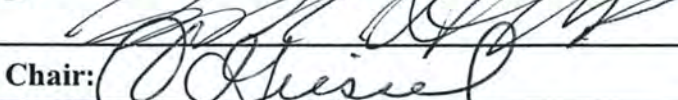

Alaska Gasline Development Corporation Board of Directors

Joseph Paskvan – Fairbanks

Appointed: 2/19/2015

Term Expires: 9/13/2015

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Joe Paskvan

Personal

Born in Fairbanks- in 1952 to Tom and Joyce Paskvan - I am one of nine children all born in Fairbanks.

Married to Barb since 1978; Barb was one of seven all born in Fairbanks
4 children: Nicole, Chelsea, Tom and Ryan

Education

Graduated from Monroe High School - 1970
UAF Degree in 1975 - Political Science with minor in History

Received law degree (Juris Doctorate 1981)- University of Puget Sound School of Law
The law school was subsequently sold to: Seattle University School of Law

Employment

In private practice of law for over 30 years in civil litigation

Community and State Service

I am a member of Finance Committee for Diocese of Northern Alaska for over 20 years.

I am a member of Sunrisers Rotary.

Former Alaska State Senator representing Fairbanks 2009 – 2011
Co-chair of Senate Resources Committee focusing on Alaska's oil and gas resources.
Chair of Senate Labor and Commerce Committee and other Senate committee positions.

**SENATE
CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORT**

Date: 4-6-15

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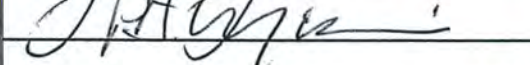
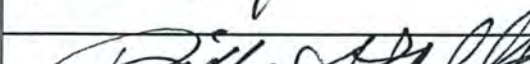

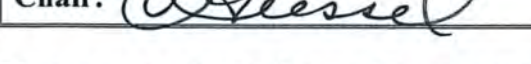
Alaska Gasline Development Corporation Board of Directors

Richard Halford – Eagle River

Appointed: 2/19/2015

Term Expires: 9/13/2016

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| Chair:  | Giessel |

Please return to the Senate Secretary's Office (Room 211).

General Information

Board/Commission and seat you are seeking:
 Gasline Development

Additional Boards/Commissions of interest:
 None

State Boards/Commissions on which you have served:

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| First Name Rick | Middle Name | Last Name Halford |
| Mailing Address [REDACTED] | City [REDACTED] | State & Zip [REDACTED] |
| Home/Message Phone [REDACTED] | Business Phone [REDACTED] | Cell Phone [REDACTED] |
| Email Address [REDACTED]t | Are you a registered voter? Yes | |
| Date of Birth [REDACTED] | Gender | Ethnicity Other or Decline to Self-Identify |
| Military Service 7 years in the Alaska National Guard | | |

Conflict of Interest

Certain boards and commissions require full disclosure of personal financial data under AS39.50.010. If required for the board or commission for which you are applying, are you willing to do so?
 Yes

Could you or any member of you family be affected financially by decisions to be made by the board or commission for which you are applying?
 No

Please explain the potential financial benefit

Employment History

Employment work history including paid, unpaid, or voluntary.
 Consultant

Education, Training, Experience & Qualifications

List both formal and informal education and training experiences:
 Alaska Methodist University - Graduated 1968

List any professional licenses, certifications, or registrations and dates obtained that may be used as qualifying criteria:
 Commercial Pilot

List any community service, municipal government, and state positions held, and any awards received.
 House Representative in Alaska State Legislature (4 years)
 Senate Member in Alaska State Legislature (20 years)

Conviction Record

Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor within the past five years or a felony within the past ten years?
 No

Conviction Circumstances
 none

Certification of Accuracy & Completeness

By submitting this online application, I swear the information I have entered on this form is true to the best of my knowledge. I understand that if I deliberately conceal or enter false information on the form my application may be rejected, I may be removed from the list of eligible candidates, or I may be removed from the position. I agree that the Office of the Governor may contact present or former employees or other persons who know me to obtain an additional information about my skills and abilities. I understand that the information on this application is public information and may be released through a legal request for such information.

Type "I certify"
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Resume Addendum:

Press Release Wording

Rick Halford of Dillingham has a long history in state government. He served 24 years in the Alaska State Legislature. During that time he chaired a number of committees in both the House and Senate, and retired as Senate President in 2003. Halford is a retired commercial pilot and air taxi operator. He holds a bachelor's degree in political science from Alaska Methodist University.

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