

03/22/2017

Confirmation:

Board of Game

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Board of Game Fact Sheet

Board: Board of Game

Board identification number: 040

Department: FISH & GAME

Authority: AS 16.05.221

Status: Active

Sunset date:

Requirements: Legislative Confirmation and Financial Disclosure

Prohibitions: None

Term: 3 Years

Chair: No provision.

Description: The board consists of 7 members appointed by Governor: appointed on the basis of interest in public affairs, good judgment, knowledge, and ability in the field of action of the board, and with a view to providing diversity of interest and points of view in the membership. Members shall be residents of the state, appointed without regard to political affiliation or geographical location of residence; commissioner of the Dept. of Fish and Game is not a member, but serves as ex-officio secretary.

Function: Conservation and development of game resources.

Special facts: The terms of the members of the board begin on July 1. Notwithstanding AS 39.05.080(1), by April 1 of the calendar year in which the term expires, the governor shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy that will arise on the board because of the expiration of the term of a member of the board and submit the name of the person to the legislature for confirmation. The board is a regulatory body. A quorum consists of a majority of members. Members may be removed for inefficiency, neglect of duty, or misconduct in office (AS 16.05.280). Board generally meets three each year, for a approximately 20-27 days. The Board of Game and the Board of Fisheries occasionally meet in joint session. Compensation: Standard Travel and Per Diem. Range 20A for regulatory meetings; other mtgs 1/2 Range 20A.

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Meetings: Historically meets 20-27 days a year. Joint F&G boards meet occasionally.

General Information

Board/Commission and seat you are seeking:
GAME, seat

Additional Boards/Commissions of interest:

Preference Order Board

2) GAME

State Boards/Commissions on which you have served:

Alaska Professional Teaching Practices Commission

[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]

Military Service

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?

Yes

Please explain the potential financial benefit

No |

Employment History

Employment work history including paid, unpaid, or voluntary.

Surveying:

Nelson Land Surveying - Ashland, Wisconsin 1965
Alaska Department of Highways - Fairbanks, Alaska 1972
Alaska Division of Aviation - Nome, Alaska 1973-74
Lounsbury and Assoc. - Pipeline and Prudhoe 1974-89
Michael Baker Jr. - Pipeline 1976
H.C. Price - Prudhoe 1984-85
I-Tech - Nenana 1979
Finstad / Ringstad - Arctic Village and Fairbanks 1979
US Department of Defense - Fort Yukon 1985

Commercial Fishing:

Seiner Libby #9 - Craig, Alaska 1971
Bristol Bay Driftnet - 10 years 1985 - 2005
Lower Yukon Driftnet - 10 years 1991 - 2003
Norton Sound Herring Gillnet - 1987

Teaching:

Fairbanks North Star School District - 1990-2006

Other:

Consolidated Timber Company - Logging Tugs and High Deck 1967-68 Lake Superior
Apostle Island Ferry Service - 1968-70 Lake Superior
Backhoe Business - Fairbanks 1980's
Log Home Building - Fairbanks 1978-89

Education, Training, Experience & Qualifications

List both formal and informal education and training experiences:

B.A. Regis College Denver, Colorado 1971
California State - Fresno - Surveying and Photogrammetry 1977
University of Alaska - Fairbanks - Heavy Equipment, Diesel, & Welding 1983-84
University of Alaska - Fairbanks - Elementary Education 1989-90

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

Alaska Teaching Certificate - Elementary and Secondary (expired 2008)
Federal Firearms License - (expired August 2012)
Private Pilots License - Single Engine Land and Sea (current)
Commercial Fishing Drift Permit Y-1 & Y-2 Salmon Gillnet (current)
Norton Sound Herring Gillnet - (expired)

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

State of Alaska Department of Highways - 1972
State of Alaska Division of Aviation 1973, 1974
Fairbanks North Star Borough School District 1990-2006
State of Alaska Department of Alaska Department of Transportation 2008-2009
Fairbanks Advisory Council 2010 - 2013
President - Fairbanks Retriever Club - 6 years (1990's)
Board of Directors Alaska Outdoor Council 2007-2010
Alaska Professional Teaching Practices Commission - 3 years (2004 -2006)
Facilitated Hunter Education at Ryan Middle School and West Valley High School

Member of:

Alaska Airmen's Association, Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association, Experimental Aircraft Association, Ducks Unlimited, Fairbanks Retriever Club, Pheasants Forever, Ruffed Grouse Society, Clear Sky Sportsmen's Association, Yukon Delta Fisheries Development Association, Alaska Wild Sheep Foundation (life member), National Rifle Association (life member) General Aviation Association - Fairbanks

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.

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Resume Addendum:

Press Release Wording

Tom Lamal

Fairbanks, Alaska

Retired - Teacher, Commercial Fisherman, Surveyor

BA Regis College Denver, CO, Post-Grad UAF

Submitted: 2/3/2015 10:59:22 PM

March 20, 2017

To: Members of the Alaska Senate Resource and House Resource Committees

My name is Gary Halmstad from Fairbanks, AK.

I have hunted Alaskan game for the past 42 years. I write today in support of Gov. Walkers pick for Board of Game, Tom Lamal.

If confirmed to the Board Tom Lamal would bring a wealth of knowledge of the Alaskan game resource and second he would

very much have the interest of Alaskans in mind as he would make those game management decisions.

Please give Tom Lamal your support for Board of Game.

Thanks for your time.

Gary Halmstad

To the Senate Resources Committee,

I am writing to show my support for confirming Thomas Lamal as a member of the Board of Game. Mr. Lamal has been active in the board process for many years as a concerned citizen and would be an excellent board member. He is a strong supporter of the Alaska constitution and would be an advocate for allocating game resources for the benefit of the citizens of Alaska. I have no doubt that Mr. Lamal would make thoughtful, conscientious decisions as a board member.

If you have any questions for me about my endorsement of Tom Lamal feel free to reach me at

Thank you for your consideration,

Darcy Etcheverry

North Pole, AK 99705

I'm writing in support of GOV Walker's appointment of Tom Lamal to the Board of Game. I have known Tom since 1983. I can say without hesitation that Tom is one of the most honest, trustworthy and reliable people I know. We met and bonded due to our love of Alaska and the hunting and fishing opportunities it provides. He is passionate about duck hunting, sheep hunting and calling in moose. He has hunted all over the State.

I highly support Tom's appointment because I would like to see more hunters and less guides on the Board.

Jim Von Holle

Palmer, Alaska

Dear Senator Giessel,

I appreciate this opportunity to make my comments part of the public record regarding the confirmation of Tom Lamal to the Board of Game.

I have known Tom for a number of years, since he has been primarily responsible for the flood of 'resident preference' game proposals that we have been plagued with in the past, proposals which have cost the State of Alaska and individuals countless hours and literally millions of dollars, virtually all of which ultimately failed due to the good judgement of past Boards of Game which he now wishes to influence.

As a professional hunting guide relying almost exclusively on non resident clientele for my livelihood, Tom's past actions have been a direct threat to my way of life, as well as a direct and even more serious threat to the primary source of funding responsible for nearly all game management in Alaska. By default, this is also an indirect but very real threat to Alaska's wildlife.

While I consider Tom a good guy outside of wildlife politics, and have no personal vendetta against him, there can be absolutely no doubt what his agenda will be.

I can hardly imagine a more bias individual destined to compromise a highly respected Board whose mandate is to ensure the overall good of Alaska's precious Wildlife.

I am hopeful that you will do everything within your power to ensure that does not happen.

Best Regards

Dave Morris

To Whom it may concern,

I met Tom 35 years ago when building his log house. We have been friends ever since then. He has always been passionate about his hunting and fishing experiences in Alaska. His Minto duck hunts and Tanana Valley moose hunts each Sept. are a rite of passage for him each year. Tom cares about Fish and Game issues in Alaska and will put in the time required to make intelligent decisions regarding management options.

The two things I respect most about Tom is his willingness to fight for causes he believes in, and the other is his ability to work with people and make friends in the process. He would be a good choice for the Board of Game.

Sincerely Bill Kisken dba Log Weavers

Hello Senator,

I would like to voice my support in Governor Walker's appointment of Tom Lamal to the Alaska Board of Game. I am a lifelong Alaskan that enjoys hunting and fishing with my family and friends, the Alaskan way! In a few years, I hope to be lucky enough to share the experiences with my grandchildren. I believe Tom supports the traditions we have long counted on and taken for granted living in Alaska.

I first met Tom working on the pipelines in Prudhoe Bay in 1980. Tom was a surveyor, I was a pipe welder. We shared our experiences with stories about our hunting and fishing adventures in Alaska. Our paths continued to cross over the years working on the North Slope. They crossed again after I had children and he taught them at West Valley High School. Once again, he shared his passion for hunting and fishing in Alaska with me.

Tom is a true sportsman, having hunted, sport fished and commercial fished around the State. The stories included commercial fishing on the lower Yukon and in Bristol Bay, Duck hunting, Moose hunting, Sheep hunting, upland game hunting and the list goes on. Tom will have the interest of the Alaskan sportsman first and foremost.

Please support Tom's confirmation to the Board of Game.

Sincerely,

David Norum

I am a 58 year old lifelong Alaskan resident that enjoys hunting and fishing in Alaska.

This is a letter of support for Tom Lamal joining the Alaska Board of Game. I have known Tom for 24 years. He is a retired educator, pilot, and hunter. He is very active in the support of hunting, has hunted most of his life and is knowledgeable about the biology and political aspects that govern the various populations of our game animals.

I think that he would be a very valuable addition to the Board of Game.

J. Murray

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Dear Senator Giessel,

I write to you today to endorse Tom Lamal of Fairbanks for the Alaska Board of Game. Tom Lamal is an "Alaskans First" kind of person. He exemplifies exactly the qualities you want in your Board of Game members. He cares deeply about our wildlife resources and he believes they should be managed according to our State Constitution: sustainably and "for the maximum benefit of its people". "Its people", being its residents.

Tom Lamal's interest in the management of our game resources is simply put—selfless. His efforts to improve the quality of our game resources as well as the opportunities and experiences hunters and non-hunters alike can have, are not for personal gain or selfish reasons. While he does not have children of his own, future generations are what drive his efforts and what motivates him. He truly wants this State to be better off than how he found it some 40 years ago.

Thank you for your time, for your consideration of Tom Lamal to the Board of Game, and for your service to Alaskans and the Great State of Alaska.

Sincerely,

Jake Sprankle

Fairbanks, AK 99709

jakesprankle@gmail.com
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Dear Members of the Senate and House Resources Committees,

I am writing this letter in support of Governor Walker's appointment of Thomas Lamal to the Alaska Board of Game.

I have known Tom for many years and, to be brief, I can say that for this position, he is experienced, competent and ethical. But more important, Alaska hunting and fishing are Thomas Lamal's passion. Governor Walker has made a wise decision with this appointment.

Sincerely,

James A. Cerney



unapologetically **FOR ALASKAN RESIDENTS**

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March 20, 2017

To: Senate Resources Committee
Re: Board of Game appointment – Tom Lamal

Dear Chair Giessel, Vice-Chair Coghill, and members of the Senate Resources committee,

Resident Hunters of Alaska (RHAK) strongly **supports** the appointment and confirmation of Tom Lamal to the Alaska Board of Game.

Mr. Lamal has long had an interest in hunting and wildlife conservation in Alaska, and has served on the Fairbanks Fish & Game Advisory Committee and on several boards of hunting conservation and advocacy organizations, including the Ruffed Grouse Society, Alaska Outdoor Council, and Resident Hunters of Alaska. (Note: Mr. Lamal resigned from the RHAK board when he was informed he was appointed to the Board of Game earlier this year.)

Mr. Lamal has been involved with the Board of Game process for a long time and is extremely knowledgeable about issues before the board, and concerns our organization has about how we manage and allocate our wildlife resources for future hunting opportunities for Alaskans. Tom is well known by many statewide as a fair and honest man, easy to get along with, looks at all sides of an issue, with a lifetime of hunting and fishing experience in Alaska. He will be an asset on the Board of Game for all Alaskans and for the conservation and sustainability of our wildlife resources.

We ask that you pass Mr. Lamal's name out of committee and vote for his confirmation to the Board of Game later this session.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mark Richards

Executive Director Resident Hunters of Alaska (RHAK)

info@residenthuntersofalaska.org

We strongly support the confirmation of Tom Lamal's appointment to the Board of Game. We have known Tom for many years and know that Tom has decades of relevant outdoor experience, has served on the Fairbanks Fish and Game Advisory Committee, is ethical, honest, fair-minded and committed to sound State Fish and Game management.

Dick and Mary Bishop

1555 Gus's Grind

Fairbanks, AK 99709

District 4C – Rep. Guttenberg/Senator Bishop

James E. Low
Fairbanks, AK. 99712

March 22, 2017

Subject: Support for Board of Game appointment of Tom Lamal.

I have known Tom Lamal about 30 years. Most of our contact has been through the after schools program where he was the teacher/facilitator, and I was part of a crew that taught the ADF&G Hunter Education Basic Course to his students.

Tom has asked me to come talk to his Alaska Studies class on the topic of Wildlife Enforcement as I was a State Trooper with the Wildlife Division (retired in 2000). In these classes he presented speakers on topics of concern; ie., predator control, black bear baiting etc., Tom never tried to sway his class with his personal thoughts on an issue he would bring speakers in that represented both sides of an issue and let his students make up their own minds. His students were well informed and asked very good questions on the issues.

To this day I still use something I learned from Tom and Kate Lamal. During my time as a Wildlife State Trooper I was checking moose hunting activity in the Wood River, Goldking areas. A moose that was harvested by Lamal's was at the Goldking airstrip ready to be flown back to Fairbanks. The moose meat was in game bags that were labeled on the outside of the bag as to what the contents were. I could assemble the entire moose on a tarp to make sure all the required meat to be salvaged was there (and it was), and in addition to that the requirement for evidence of sex of the animal was to be left intact on a hindquarter. The game bag that contained this requirement had the male symbol on it in magic marker making my checking of the requirements much easier. I relay this story to all my Hunter Education Classes.

Based on my 30 years of contacts with Tom Lamal I find him to be a person who will analyze all parts of an issue and then determine which course of action is appropriate to take.

Regarding rural community contacts, Tom hunts waterfowl in the Minto Flats area out of interior Alaska. He drives his vehicle and boat to the community of Minto where he launches his boat to his duck camp leaving his vehicle and boat trailer in Minto. I do not believe he has ever experienced any vandalism to his equipment (which sometimes occurs there including vandalism to a State Trooper pickup parked there one fall). I believe this is due to Toms rapport with people in Minto.

I believe that Tom Lamal would make an excellent member of the Board of Game.

Dear Alaska House and Senate Resource Members:

Tom Lamal from Fairbanks has been nominated by Governor Walker to fill a position on the Fish and Game Board. I have known Tom for over 40 years. Tom has been an avid outdoors enthusiast and steward of the land for as long as I can remember. He will represent all of Alaska to help ensure that there is enough game for the consumptive and viewing needs of all of us.

Please support his nomination.

Thank you for your consideration

Have a good day

Lee Hazen

Fairbanks, Alaska

I am contacting you to endorse Tom Lamal for an appointment to the Alaska Board of Game. He has been a very engaged citizen of Alaska for many years and a stalwart supporter of the State and its resources. He has great experience in many aspects of hunting and is ethical in his judgement and decisions. I have no reservations whatsoever in urging you to support this appointment.

Thank you.

Mary A Cerney, Fairbanksan for over 40 years.

Dear Senate and House Resource Committee Members,

As a resident born and raised in our great state, I fully support Governor Walker's nomination of Mr. Tom Lamal to the Board of Game. I have known Tom for over 15 years, and attest to his integrity and heart-felt loyalty to our state, the conservation of its resources, and the interests of its residents. Confirming his appointment to the Board of Game is a vital step to the successful management of our state's wildlife in the future.

Sincerely,

Paul G. Ferucci, MD

Anchorage, AK

Good morning, to all the members of both the Senate Resources and House Resources committees. I would like to offer my support For Mr. Tomas Lamal, who has been appointed to the Board of Game by Governor Walker.

I have known Tom for thirty four years. I would like to tell you that Tom has always been an outdoors man. He introduced me to Alaskan outdoors culture, by that I mean, hunting, fishing, kayaking and

respectful behavior when in the wilderness. He, as an educator of young people taught these same principles to his student, As a commercial fisherman he made me aware of the issues of commercial and subsistence hunters and fisherman. He was very sensitive to the points of view of each group.

Tom has been a great friend to me and my family, I have a very deep respect for he and his wife, Kate with a very strong affection for them both. They are inclusive and genuinely kind to ALL people. The issues of the Board of Game are getting an excellent steward, who I a sure will do the right thing all of the time.

Thank you

Alfred D DeRamus MD

Dear Resource Committee Member:

Tom Lamal has just been selected by Governor Walker to the Board of Game. I believe he is an excellent choice!

For too long the Board of Game has been dominated by individuals that stand to make a profit from decisions made by the Board of Game. In contrast, Tom Lamal is a guy with no financial ties to Alaska's game resources, and as such, he will be an impartial voice for Alaskan resources. He is an honest and fair man with a history of advocating for Alaska's wildlife, and I believe he will be wise choice for the Alaska Board of Game.

Sincerely,

Brian Bagley

Terry M. Marquette

North Pole, Ak, 99705

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request for your supporting affirmative vote for the placement of Thomas Lamal onto the Board of Game. Tom reflects the quality of Representative Alaskan people expect and deserve.

Tom is a longtime Alaskan resident, a retired educator, and a volunteer representative on the Fairbanks Fish and Game Advisory Committee. I worked with Tom in this capacity for three years. During this time, I found him to have higher than average knowledge of fish and game issues, and putting that knowledge forward in the best interest of citizens regarding regulations. I feel that the State of Alaska could find no better candidate for this position.

Thank You for Your Consideration and Support of Tom Lamal.

Respectfully Yours,

Terry Marquette

Dear Alaska Board Members and Sen Pete Kelley and Rep Scott Kawasaki,

Our family has known Tom Lamal for many years. He is a man of a good, strong character and integrity. I urge all you committee members to vote in favor of Mr. Lamal to serve on the State of Alaska Board of game.

Thank you for your work in the legislature and your consideration of Tom Lamal.

Sincerely,

Mike Sexton.

Fairbanks, Alaska 99701

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Good afternoon,

Lenny and I have known Tom for over 30 years and have the upmost respect for him. We know Tom will be a great asset to the Board of Game, based on his knowledge and dedication to Alaska's game issues.

We would like you to approve his nomination.

Leonard and Diane Jewkes

North Pole, Ak 99705

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I am writing in support of Tom Lamal who has been nominated for a seat on the Alaska Board of Game. I have known Tom and his wife, Kate, for over 30 years. They are both avid hunters of most of the Alaska big game animals, and big game and birds in the lower 48.

I recently served with Tom for six years on the Fairbanks Fish and Game Advisory Committee and don't think there was a harder working person on the entire committee. Tom spent many hours preparing for every meeting—studying the agenda items, and meeting with other members prior to the meeting, to gather their thoughts on potentially controversial subjects. I always appreciated that he strove to understand both sides of an issue before casting his vote on it at the meetings.

I cannot think of a better person to serve on the Board of Game.

Thank you,

Larry Dalrymple

I was born in Fairbanks, Alaska in 1947 and I highly value all the natural resources this state has to offer its residents and visitors. Alaska is a great place in which to live and enjoy life, raise families, hunt, fish, and travel through as we are awestruck by the beauty that we all treasure.

Tom Lamal has lived in Alaska for 47 years and I have know him since 1981. Our state could not have a better person sitting on the Board of Game making educated decisions. Tom loves this state, and has a strong desire to protect our way of life and the animals that enhance the beauty of Alaska. Both Tom and I are lifetime members of the Alaska Outdoor Council, although he has been a much more active member. Tom is a founding member of the Resident Hunters of Alaska and he invited me to join also, which I gladly did.

I sincerely urge you to confirm Tom Lamal to The Board of Game for the State of Alaska.

Thank you for your time,

Randy Frank

Fairbanks, Alaska 99708

The Honorable Senator Cathy Giessel:

I send this email in full support of the Senate Resources Committee approval of Tom Lamal to the Game Board on the conformation hearings on March 22.

I've known Tom for over forty years, having the privilege to work with him as a surveyor on the Trans Alaskan Pipeline and as a commercial fisherman in Bristol Bay. Bottom line - Tom is a very fair and open minded individual in his decisions on everything and "especially" when it comes to natural resource issues. He will be truly a positive attribute as a member of the Game Board.

Sincerely,

Stu Pechek

Ladies and Gentlemen,

This letter is to express my strong support for Tom Lamal to be confirmed to the Alaska Board of Game. Tom has fought hard for Resident's Rights and Youth Hunts when it comes to hunting in Alaska, among many other things. He has the ability to consider the issues from all sides and will help make decisions based on sound data and scientific facts. Tom will bring a fair, balanced and much-needed fresh voice to the Board.

I've been an Alaskan resident for 40 years, and my family has known Tom and his extended family for that long as well. Honest, hard working, dependable and straight-forward are some accurate terms that describe this quality individual.

You simply cannot find a better candidate for this appointed position, so please confirm Tom as soon as possible. Thank you, and please don't hesitate to contact me should you require anything further.

Sincerely,

Doug Bratten

North Pole, AK 99705

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Senator Giessel,

I just received word that Governor Walker has appointed Thomas Lamal to the Board of Game. I've known Tom for several years and his passion for Alaska's Fish and Game runs extremely deep.

Tom is a strong advocate for resident hunters, however I believe he understands that all groups need consideration when it comes to game management in our State.

I'd like to encourage you along with the other members of the Senate Resource Committee to affirm tom's appointment to the Game Board.

Best regards,

Michael Samson

Michael Samson

President,

Samson Electric, Inc.

GAME

Karen Louise Linnell

General Information

Board/Commission and seat you are seeking:
GAME, Public Seat

Additional Boards/Commissions of interest:

Preference Order Board

2) GAME

3) GAME

4) Fisheries

State Boards/Commissions on which you have served:
none

First Name
Karen

Middle Name
Louise

Last Name
Linnell

Military Service
none

Conflict of Interest

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Yes

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Yes

Please explain the potential financial benefit

No |

Employment History

Employment work history including paid, unpaid, or voluntary.

Lifelong Subsistence Hunter and Fisherman in the Copper River region of Alaska. 51 years

Business Administrative 11 years

Cost Scheduling 8 years

Tribal Administration 4 years

Technical Director/Alaska Native Cultural Programs 4 years

Land Technician 5 years

Project Management 3 years

Firefighting 2 years

See attached resume'.

Education, Training, Experience & Qualifications

List both formal and informal education and training experiences:

Attending the Tribal Natural Resource Management Program at the University of Alaska Fairbanks, Interior-Aleutians Campus

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

None

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

Currently held:

Copper Basin Fish & Game Advisory Committee, Secretary - 6 years
Wrangell-St. Elias Subsistence Resource Commission, Chair - 3 years
Copper River-Ahtna Inter-Tribal Conservation District, Chair 3 years
Ahtna Incorporated Board of Director, 10 years
Ahtna Land Committee, Chair, 10 years
Ahtna Netiy'e Board of Directors, Secretary, 3 years
Wildlife Committee for Governor's Transition Team, Chair, 2014

Prior positions held:

Cheesh'na Tribal Council, President, 4 years
Kenny Lake Parent Teacher Organization, President - 3 years
Kenny Lake Indian Education Committee, Chair - 6 years
Copper River Native Association, Vice President 4 years
Copper River Dog Musers Association
Tonsina Dog Musers Association

Conviction Record

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Resume Addendum:

Press Release Wording

Karen Linnell, 51 of Chistochina, is Chair of the Copper River-Ahtna Inter-Tribal Resource Conservation District and is a lifelong subsistence hunter and fisherman. Active in local resource management boards; she believes in managing for abundance.

Ms. Linnell has served six years as the Secretary for the Copper Basin Fish & Game Advisory Committee and holds numerous other positions pertaining to resource management in Alaska. Including the Ahtna, Incorporated Board of Directors for 10 years and is currently the Chair of the Wrangell St-Elias Subsistence Resource Commission.

Ms. Linnell resides in Glennallen with her husband Bill and two grandchildren Nathaniel and Teresa

Submitted: 1/6/2015 4:25:14 AM

Karen Linnell

Summary of Qualifications:

- Current working relationships with key people and organizations related to Ahtna cultural affairs
- Expertise in gathering oral history information and navigating cultural protocols
- Extensive financial management background & report preparation
- Experienced in project management
- Ahtna Customary & Traditional (subsistence) committee, Board committee 2004 to 2012
- Copper Basin Fish & Game Advisory Committee 2008 to Present
- Wrangell-St. Elias Subsistence Resource Commission 2011 to present
- Copper River-Ahtna Inter-Tribal Resource Conservation District 2011 to present
- Wildlife Committee for Governor's Transition Team, Chair, 2014

Employment Highlights:

Technical Director—Ahtna Heritage Foundation—Glennallen, Alaska – 2009-2011. Set up digitizing equipment and built and implemented Language Archive Database for the first tribally run digital language archive in Alaska. Presented project results at the International Conference on Language Documentation and Conservation, the Institute for Museums and Libraries Conference and the Athabascan Languages Conference.

Glennallen Response Base Administrative Assistant – Ahtna Construction – Glennallen, Alaska 2008-2010 and 2006-2007. Manage office and provide administrative support to a wide variety of projects associated with the Glennallen Response Base on the Trans-Alaska Pipeline. Including inventory and equipment control and natural resources, record keeping, work orders management, management of confidential information and other quality and access controls. Also, assisted in creating new orientation and training presentation.

Tribal Administrator – Cheesh'na Tribal Council – Chistochina, Alaska 2013-2014

Chitina Traditional Indian Village Council – Chitina, Alaska – 2005-2006.

Supervised the development, funding, and implementation of all operations and programs. Provided day-to-day management of limited funds for greatest effectiveness. Submitted reports and closed out grants.

Program Manager – Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium – Chistochina, Alaska – 2004.

Provided administrative support to MSTC health programs and researched software and implementation of billing program for medical services.

Cost Scheduler/Office Manager – Ahtna Construction – Valdez, Alaska – 2000-2004.

Houston/NANA Joint Venture – Fairbanks, Alaska – 1998-2000.

Price/Ahtna Joint Venture – Anchorage, Alaska – 1996-1998

Designed & maintained projects control systems. Evaluated and reconciled costs associated with 50+ projects exceeding \$40 million associated with the Trans-Alaska Pipeline. Managed project control systems including forecasts, works-in-place (WIPs), accruals and actual. Managed open purchase orders and inventory; prepared and submitted individual project status reports; interfaced with lead project personnel, vendors and client project managers.

Related Qualifications:

- Proficient in use of MS office, Word, Access, Projects, Excel, PageMaker, Passport, Sound Forge, Muvee auto Producer. Experience with Audacity audio editing software.
- Serve on the Ahtna, Inc. Board of Directors and, formerly served as Chistochina Village Council President, Gulkana Village Council Vice President, Copper River Native Association Vice-President, and Ahtna Heritage Foundation Director
- Ahtna tribal member and longtime participant in cultural revitalization efforts for Ahtna people
- Sealaska, Kake Tribal Corporation and Ahtna, Incorporated Shareholder

Education:

Computer Programming – Alaska Computer Institute – Anchorage, Alaska

Prince William Community College classes taken for work/credit: Accounting; Introduction to Ahtna Athabascan language; Introduction to Digital Skills for Language Documentation, Maintenance & Revitalization; Conflict of Interest Training for Board Members

Tribal Natural Resource Management Program, University of Alaska, Interior-Aleutians Campus, 2014

April 2015

Karen Linnell

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Karen Linnell has been involved with fisheries in the Ahtna region since her youth starting with the youth council and she has been involved ever since. Ms. Linnell is a member of the board of directors of Ahtna Incorporated and also serves as chair of the land committee and on a number of Ahtna subsidiary boards. She has also served as Chair of the Copper River-Ahtna Inter-Tribal Resource Conservation District since its inception in 2011. Her family has a traditional subsistence fish camp on the Copper River and has worked in this camp her whole life.

Ms. Linnell has extensive experience with the Board of Fisheries and has participated in the process for many years. She has been involved in debates on the Copper River management plan on almost every cycle since the 1990's. Her expertise is in subsistence fishery issues, and working to find answers in a sometimes contentious environment including allocation between user groups. She is an experienced board member and knows how to listen to testimony from a broad range of interests and develop a balanced decision.

Ms. Linnell has been a board member of the Copper River Native Association is a past president of the Chistochina Village Council. Her family has a long standing tradition of subsistence hunting, fishing, trapping and gathering in the Ahtna region.

March 22, 2017

The Honorable Cathy Giessel and Members
Senate Resources Committee
Alaska State Legislature



RE: Support for Karen Linnell appointment to Board of Game


The Honorable Senator Cathy Giessel and Members of the Senate Resources Committee:

Maniilaq Association writes today to express our full support for confirmation of Board of Game appointee Karen Linnell.

Ms. Linnell is knowledgeable, exercises good judgment, and has dedicated many years of service to her community and to the people of Alaska. As a lifelong subsistence hunter and fisher, she is dedicated to ensuring healthy wildlife populations for generations to come. Additionally, she has over a decade of experience working on fish and game management issues in her region.

She will be a thoughtful and fair voice on the Board of Game, and her unique qualifications will make her a strong compliment to existing Board composition. We urge your favorable consideration of her appointment.

Sincerely,



Chad Sheldon
President/CEO
Maniilaq Association



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March 23, 2017

Honorable Cathy Giessel
Chair, Senate Resources Committee
State Capitol Room 427
Juneau, AK 99801

Re: Doyon Support for Karen Linnell appointment to Board of Game

Dear Senator Giessel,

On behalf of Doyon, Limited, our shareholders, employees, and board of directors, I write to express our support for the appointment of Karen Linnell to the Board of Game. Doyon is one of the thirteen Native regional corporations established by Congress under the terms of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA). Headquartered in Fairbanks, Doyon has more than 19,500 shareholders, many of whom reside in remote villages with few economic opportunities. Doyon is the largest private landowner in Alaska, with a land entitlement under ANCSA of more than 12.5 million acres. Doyon's mission is to promote the economic and social well-being of its shareholders and future shareholders, to strengthen its Native way of life, and to protect and enhance its land and resources.

Ms. Linnell is knowledgeable, exercises good judgment, and has dedicated many years of service to her community and to the people of Alaska. As a lifelong subsistence hunter and fisher, she is dedicated to ensuring healthy wildlife populations for generations to come. Ms. Linnell is a long-time resident of the Copper River basin, with over a decade of experience working on fish and game management issues in her region. She is a current board member of Ahtna, Incorporated, the Executive Director of the Copper River-Ahtna Inter-Tribal Resource Conservation District, and Chair of the Wrangell-St. Elias Subsistence Resource Commission. Additionally, she has served on the Copper River Basin Fish and Game Advisory Committee for over eight years.

She will be a thoughtful and fair voice on the Game Board, and her qualifications will make her a strong asset to the State of Alaska Board of Game. I urge your favorable consideration of her appointment. Please contact our office with any questions regarding Doyon's support of Ms. Linnell by calling (907) 459-2092.

Sincerely,

Aaron M. Schutt
President and CEO
Doyon, Limited

From Richard Bishop. Below is my testimony to Senate Resources Committee on Wednesday, 3/22/17. Please include my testimony in the committee records. Thank you.

Madam Chair and committee members.

Thank you for this opportunity to participate. My name is Richard Bishop. I live in Fairbanks but today I'm calling in from Lake Minchumina where I once lived for a time and return seasonally to enjoy gathering wild food and the wild lands and visiting old friends.

I am testifying today on behalf of the Alaska Outdoor Council of which I am a long time member. The Alaska Outdoor Council opposes confirmation of Ms. Karen Linnell on the Board of Game. Due to her responsibilities in the Ahtna community Ms. Linnell has an intractable conflict of interest with the duties and obligations of an Alaska Board of Game member.

As Executive Director of Ahtna Inter-Tribal Resource Commission, in mid-January 2017, Ms. Linnell signed her approval to a Memorandum of Agreement between Ahtna and the Department of Interior. The Ahtna Commission is comprised of representatives from Ahtna, Inc., eight tribes and one village corporation.

The MOA anticipates establishing a new Federal-Ahtna cooperative structure under the Federal Subsistence Board for regulation of management and harvest allocation of moose, caribou, other game and fish on federal lands adjacent to lands of Ahtna, Inc. and the eight villages with tribal representation.

The new structure would basically cut out the State of Alaska's management, Board of Game, and state advisory committee structure and process on federal lands in the area, and could impair state management on adjacent state and private lands. Only token meaningless participation in the MOA proposal is offered to the State, with a caveat that the State would take no action on state and private lands that would conflict with MOA based decisions.

Allocation of harvests would favor tribal members of the eight villages in what amounts to a racial priority, on top of the existing Federal rural subsistence priority.

These goals of the Department of Interior and the Ahtna Inter-Tribal Resource Commission are substantially inconsistent with the State of Alaska's constitutional and statutory responsibilities and authority.

Ms. Linnell, as a publically declared proponent of the MOA has a fundamental conflict of interest in relation to the duties and obligations of a member of the Board of Game. The Alaska Outdoor Council urges the Alaska Legislature to deny confirmation of Ms. Linnell as an Alaska Board of Game member.