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CONFIRMATION COMMITTEE REPORT

Action date: 3/18/02

The House Special Committee on Fisheries has reviewed the qualifications of the following appointee:

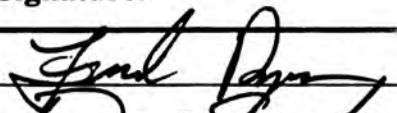
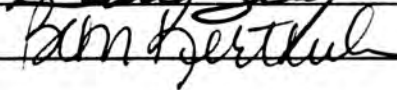
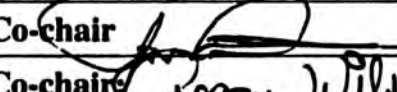
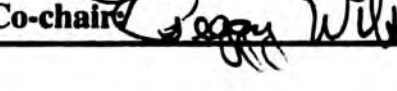
Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission (CFEC)

Mary McDowell - Juneau

Appointed: 10/06/1997 Reappointed: 08/20/2001

Term Expires: 03/01/2006

The committee reports the following individual recommendations:

Signature:	Printed Last Name	Confirm	Do Not Confirm	No Rec
	Dyson	✓		
	SCARSI	✓		
	KERTULA	✓		
Co-chair 	Stevie Wilson	X		
Co-chair 	Wilson	X		

Please return to the Chief Clerk's office.

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Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

COMMISSIONER. COMMERCIAL FISHERIES ENTRY COMMISSION

Juneau, Alaska, November 1997- present

Administrative law judge and co-administrator of agency responsible for administering Alaska's limited entry program and the permitting and annual licensing of commercial fishing operations statewide.

SPECIAL STAFF ASSISTANT. OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Juneau, Alaska, May 1995 - October 1997

Member of Governor's senior staff. Responsible for fisheries and wildlife issues.

SPECIAL STAFF ASSISTANT. OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Juneau, Alaska, December 1994 - April 1995

Member of Lieutenant Governor's senior staff. Responsible for natural resource issues.

LEGISLATIVE AIDE. ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

Juneau, Alaska. 1979 - 1994 (Worked 16 legislative sessions plus 25 months of interim time.)

Specific job title and duties varied over the years, including the following:

- Committee Aide to the House Resources Committee
- Chief of Staff to the Senate President
- Committee Aide to the Senate Rules Committee
- Committee Aide to the Senate Special Committee on Fisheries
- Committee Aide to the Senate Special Committee on the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Settlement
- Finance Aide to Senate Finance Committee Member
- Resources Aide to Senate Resources Committee Member
- Senate District Aide

SELF-EMPLOYED COMMERCIAL FISH BUYER

Angoon, Alaska, May through September, 1976-1994

Operated fish buying station for local salmon troll and halibut fleet for 18 seasons. Responsible for grading, purchasing, and handling of fish, bookkeeping, and hiring and supervision of employees.

EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin, graduated 1976

Bachelor of Arts degree in anthropology

Emphasis on Alaska Native cultures

University of Connecticut, Storrs, Connecticut 1973-1974

Research Assistantship in anthropology / archeology

Two summers of field work in Aleutian Islands, Alaska; one semester research, analysis and writing on campus.



UNITED FISHERMEN OF ALASKA

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Representative Gary Stevens, Co-Chair
House Special Committee on Fisheries
Alaska House of Representatives
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Dear Representative Stevens,

United Fishermen of Alaska supports the re-appointment of Ms. Mary McDowell to the Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission.

Ms. McDowell has done an exemplary job as a Commissioner. She conducts herself in a very professional manner and listens well to the concerns of commercial fishermen. She has worked to build a good working relationship between the CFEC, fishery participants and the public. Ms. McDowell has provided valuable clarification to UFA, fishermen, and the legislature on a variety of complex issues and legislation regarding Alaska's fisheries. Her expertise and input will continue to be essential in efforts to revitalize the salmon industry.

United Fishermen of Alaska represents twenty-nine commercial fishing groups, whose membership includes over 2/3 of Alaska's permit holders who live in communities throughout the state.

We look forward to a continuation of the fine working relationship between Ms. McDowell and the CFEC and UFA.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas M. Gemmell
Executive Director

MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

Alaska Longline Fishermen's Association • Alaska Trollers Association • At-sea Processors Association • Bristol Bay Reserve
Chignik Regional Aquaculture Association • Concerned Area "M" Fishermen • Cook Inlet Aquaculture Association
Copper River Salmon Producers Association • Cordova District Fishermen United • Douglas Island Pink and Chum
Kenai Peninsula Fishermen's Association • Kodiak Regional Aquaculture Association • Kodiak Seiners Association • North Pacific Fisheries Association
Northern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association • Old Harbor Fisherman's Association • Petersburg Vessel Owners Association
Prince William Sound Aquaculture Corporation • Purse Seine Vessel Owners Association • Seafood Producers Cooperative
Southeast Alaska Regional Dive Fisheries Association • Southeast Alaska Seiners Association • Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association
United Cook Inlet Drift Association • United Salmon Association • United Southeast Alaska Gillnetters