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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY NAMES ACTING COMMISSIONERS

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of acting commissioners for state agencies to which he has not made final cabinet appointments:

- **Department of Children and Learning**, Jesse Montaña, currently Assistant Commissioner for Office of Teaching and Learning.
- **Department of Natural Resources**, Brad Moore, currently Assistant Commissioner for Operations.
- **Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board**, Brian Hiti, currently acting Deputy Commissioner.
- **Department of Public Safety**, Mancel Mitchell, currently Deputy Commissioner.
- **Department of Planning**, Jack Uldrich, currently Deputy Director.
- **Department of Employee Relations**, Ann Schluter, currently acting Commissioner.
- **Department of Health**, Aggie Leitheiser, currently acting Commissioner.
- **Bureau of Mediation Services**, Lance Teachworth, currently Commissioner.
- **Metropolitan Council**, Mary Hill Smith, currently a Council member.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE AND PUBLIC DISCLOSURE BOARD

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Milbert, South St. Paul, is CEO of Milbert Company, a Culligan water dealership. Milbert is also completing his eighth term as a member of the Minnesota House of Representatives. He was first elected to the house in 1986. During his tenure, Milbert was co-chair of the Ethics Committee and chair of the General Legislation, Veterans Affairs and Elections Committee. Milbert replaces Allan Spear as a former DFL legislator member for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

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GOVERNOR APPOINTS MEMBERS TO MINING COMMITTEE

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of eight members to the Governor's Committee on Minnesota's Mining Future. The Commission, which Governor Pawlenty created by Executive Order 03-12, will advise the Governor on ways to strengthen and develop a sustainable mining and minerals industry in Minnesota.

Governor Pawlenty appointed Stan Daniels, Margaret Hodnik, Ernest Lehmann, Dr. Kathryn Martin, Mary Mathews, James McConnell, James Swearingen, and John "Jack" Tuomi. Iron Range Resources Commissioner Sandra Layman and Swearingen will co-chair the Committee.

Daniels, of Hibbing, is the legislative coordinator for the United Steelworkers of America (USWA) District 11 in Minneapolis and is a former president of the USWA union local at EVTAC.

Hodnik, of Duluth, is the manager of policy and communications for Minnesota Power in Duluth.

Lehmann, of Minneapolis, is president of the Minnesota Exploration Association, a mineral industry trade group. He is actively involved in mineral exploration in northeastern Minnesota and has over 50 years of experience as an exploration geologist.

Martin, of Duluth, is the chancellor of the University of Minnesota Duluth (UMD). UMD houses the Natural Resources and Research Institute, which conducts applied research related to forest products, minerals, water and the environment.

Mathews, of Hibbing, is president of the Northeast Entrepreneur Fund, a microenterprise and small business development organization serving northeastern Minnesota and northwestern Wisconsin.

McConnell, of Mountain Iron, is general manager of United States Steel Corporation's Minnesota Ore Operations, which now includes both the Minntac plant in Mountain Iron, and the recently acquired Keewatin taconite plant.

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Swearingen, of Aurora, retired in April 2003 as general manager of United States Steel's Minntac plant and now serves as a consultant to a number of mining and minerals-related businesses.

Tuomi, of Virginia, is general manager of Hibbing Taconite Company and United Taconite as well as vice president of Cliffs Mining Company. He previously was general manager of LTV Steel Mining Company in Hoyt Lakes until the plant closed in 2000.

"Governor Pawlenty recognizes that Minnesota has an opportunity to create its own mining future," Commissioner Layman said. "Establishing a committee that will focus on Minnesota's mining future will help ensure that we take full advantage of the new opportunities in technology and the development of Minnesota's metal resources."

The Governor's Committee on Minnesota's Mining Future consists of 15 members, including the Commissioners of Iron Range Resources; the Departments of Natural Resources, Employment and Economic Development, and the Pollution Control Agency; individuals representing each of Minnesota's United States Senators and the United States Representative for Minnesota's Eighth Congressional District; and eight public members, appointed by the Governor, who have experience in the mining industry, unions representing mining workers, and/or other relevant business, leadership and economic development experience. The Committee will provide the Governor with its initial recommendations by June 1, 2004.



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PAWLENTY NAMES METROPOLITAN COUNCIL CHAIRMAN

-- Peter Bell's experience will improve service delivery and innovation, Governor says --

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today named Peter Bell Chairman of the Metropolitan Council. Bell joins the Administration armed with, “a wide array of management and public policy experience,” the Governor said.

“From running TCF Bank’s community outreach efforts to serving as Executive Vice President at the Hazelden Foundation, Peter has shown the ability to lead with an eye on the future.” said Pawlenty. “He is a change agent with the ability to improve service delivery and innovate. As a life-long Minnesotan he understands the importance of managing – and encouraging – community growth.”

The Metropolitan Council’s core function is to provide long-range planning for housing, parks, transportation, airports, water and wastewater treatment for the seven county metro area. It has 3,800 employees and an annual operating budget of about \$400 million.

Pawlenty praised Bell’s experience in restructuring the publishing division of Hazelden, which resulted in a \$1.5 million increase in the division’s margin. As Executive Vice President in charge of TCF Bank’s corporate community relations, the bank holding company earned an outstanding rating by federal regulators for its Community Reinvestment Act Program.

The Chairman of the Metropolitan Council will need a “strong regional perspective and Peter brings that to the table,” said Pawlenty.

“The Met Council plays an important role and performs some critical core functions for the seven county metro area,” Bell said. “I’m excited to be part of this administration and to be able to lead the charge to improve those services for the good of the entire region.”

Bell has served on the board of directors for a number of local and national social and civic organizations including the Citizens League, Center of the American Experiment, the Center for New Black Leadership, the Greater Minnesota Housing Fund and the Family Housing Fund.

Bell has a B.A. degree in social service administration from Metropolitan State University. He lives in Minneapolis with his wife and has two children.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS CLARK TO METROPOLITAN COUNCIL NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Blaine City Council member Dave Clark to the Metropolitan Council Nominating Committee.

Clark replaces Tom Weaver, who resigned as chair and from the Nominating Committee to become the Metropolitan Council's acting regional administrator. Washington County Commissioner Bill Pulkrabek will replace Weaver as chair of the Nominating Committee.

Clark joins Sherry Broecker, Mike Burton, Eagan City Council member Cyndee Fields, John Pacheco, Pulkrabek, and Waconia City Council member Mark Schiffman on the Nominating Committee.

The Metropolitan Council Nominating Committee consists of seven metropolitan citizens, three of whom must be local elected officials, appointed by the Governor to nominate persons for the Metropolitan Council. The Nominating Committee will host several public hearings to accept statements from, or on behalf of, applicants for all 16 positions on the Metropolitan Council that expired earlier this month.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS VICKI GRUNSETH CHAIRWOMAN OF METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION

Saint Paul — Governor Tim Pawlenty today appointed Vicki Gruneth to serve as chairwoman of the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC). Gruneth has a strong and extensive background in management of major operations, financial administration, and business development.

“Vicki Gruneth has demonstrated the ability to successfully recognize goals, develop and implement programs, and produce results,” said Pawlenty. “Gruneth’s leadership will ensure Minnesotans of safe, efficient services at all metropolitan airports.”

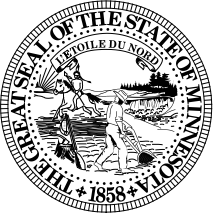
The MAC is comprised of 15 members. The Governor appoints a chair, eight members from metropolitan districts and four members from Greater Minnesota. The mayors of Minneapolis and St. Paul each respectively appoint a member to the board to represent their cities. The MAC owns and operates Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport and six other airports in the region.

The Governor noted Gruneth’s experience at QAI Inc., where she continually developed new business opportunities for the company. “Vicki’s business sense and experience will undoubtedly help the Minneapolis/St. Paul airport as it deals with challenges facing air travel across the country,” Governor Pawlenty said.

Gruneth was the co-founder, director, and chief financial officer of QAI Inc. and QAI Australia, international telecommunications companies, for eight years. She currently serves as a financial analyst for New Access Communications in Minneapolis. She is on the Boards of Directors for TelEurope (an Australian investment company), New Life Academy Education Foundation in Woodbury, MN, and the Dodge Nature Center in West St. Paul, MN.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY TO ANNOUNCE APPOINTMENTS

WHO: Governor Tim Pawlenty

WHAT: Governor Pawlenty will announce appointments to his cabinet

WHERE: Governor's Reception Room

WHEN: **Monday, January 13, 2003**
10:00 a.m.

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GOVERNOR APPOINTS CAL LUDEMAN COMMISSIONER OF DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYEE RELATIONS

-- Pawlenty calls on former legislator, governor candidate to head State's human resources --

Saint Paul — Governor Tim Pawlenty today appointed Cal Ludeman as Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Employee Relations (DOER). Ludeman is a Lyon County farmer and former GOP gubernatorial candidate who Pawlenty called a “skilled public servant.”

“Cal Ludeman has the integrity and leadership skills to lead the Department of Employee Relations through these challenging budget times,” said Governor Pawlenty. “We’re going to be looking to this department to find new, innovative ways to save money across state government and I’m confident Cal is the right person to do that. He puts a high value on public service and the work of Minnesota’s state employees.”

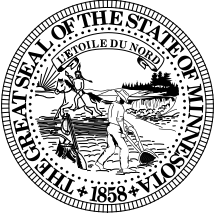
DOER’s two main functions include human resource management and the state employee insurance division. It administers eleven labor agreements covering 37,200 state employees and a health insurance plan that serves 129,000 state employees and their dependents. The agency’s operations include Administrative Services, Information Services, Diversity and Equal Opportunity, Labor Relations Bureau, Strategic Staffing, and the Employee Insurance Administration.

Ludeman served in the Minnesota Legislature from 1979 to 1985, serving as Minority Whip in 1983 and 1984. He served on the Labor-Management Committee and Pension Subcommittee, where he dealt with issues ranging from workers compensation reform to maintaining the solvency of state employee pension funds. After leaving the Legislature, Ludeman also served on Governor Arne Carlson’s Commission on Reform and Efficiency (CORE).

“Governor Pawlenty is looking for ways to reduce costs while protecting the integrity of our outstanding state workforce,” said Ludeman. “I’m honored to have the opportunity to serve during this critical time.”

In 1992, Ludeman ran for U.S. House of Representatives in Minnesota’s 2nd Congressional District. Currently, he is an owner/operator, along with his brothers and son, of the SanMarbo Farm Corporation. He lives in Tracy with his wife, Deb.

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PAWLENTY NAMES COMMISSIONER OF TRADE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

*--Kramer's experience will help spur business growth throughout Minnesota,
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Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today named Matt Kramer Commissioner of the Department of Trade and Economic Development. Kramer will “hit the ground running” the Governor said. They are both headed to Grand Rapids and Keewatin on Tuesday to meet with workers and management at Blandin Paper Company and National Steel.

“Job creation is a top priority of this administration,” said Pawlenty. “Matt Kramer’s experience and vision will help us innovate and improve service delivery to tackle both the needs of Minnesota workers and businesses.”

The Department of Trade and Economic Development’s core functions include generating jobs by spurring business growth, providing services to Minnesota workers and employers, and promoting the expansion of trade and tourism. It has 225 employees and an annual operating budget of more than \$300 million.

Pawlenty praised Kramer’s experience with Syntegra USA where he managed marketing and communications within specific industries, which included telecommunications, manufacturing and energy. Kramer upgraded the technology-delivery systems for the managed services division, keeping on budget while exceeding goals by 39 percent. At CE Software, Kramer developed e-mail software while managing a revenue stream topping \$10 million dollars.

“The Department of Trade and Economic Development has several challenges that I can’t wait to engage,” said Kramer, “From high speed telecommunications in Greater Minnesota to facilitating the growth of existing businesses and pushing the Governor’s plan for ‘tax-free’ zones, I’m excited to be part of this administration and help move Minnesota’s economy forward.”

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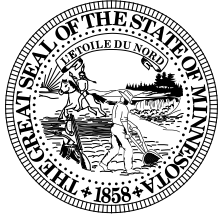
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PROFESSIONAL TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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PAWLENTY NAMES DR. CHERI PIERSON YECKE COMMISSIONER OF STATE'S EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

--Yecke brings attitude of change and accountability --

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today named Cheri Pierson Yecke, Ph.D., as commissioner of the state's education department. Yecke, currently an official in the U.S. Department of Education, is a former award-winning teacher and Secretary of Education in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Pawlenty said she will bring a much-needed attitude of change and accountability that will refocus the department on its core mission of increasing student achievement.

"Our schools are the best in the world, but in recent years we've lost our edge," said Governor Pawlenty. "Bringing change and accountability to Minnesota's education system is imperative. Dr. Yecke is a Minnesotan with the experience and ideas to help our schools reach a new level. She has the can-do attitude and the temperament to again make our state a leader in improved student achievement and innovation."

The Department of Children, Families, and Learning, which Pawlenty said he intends to pursue renaming the Department of Education, has an annual budget that includes over \$6 billion in state K-12 and early childhood funding. In addition to state and local funding, the agency administers over \$700 million in federal funds. Pawlenty said that as part of refocusing the department on its core mission, he will seek to rename it the Department of Education.

Pawlenty noted that Dr. Yecke has most recently worked as the Director of Teacher Quality and Public School Choice in the U.S. Department of Education, working on the impact of the new federal 'No Child Left Behind' act. During that time, she was detailed to The White House as a Senior Advisor to the USA Freedom Corps. She is a noted leader, researcher, presenter, and practitioner in K-12 education. After spending over a decade as a classroom teacher, she became a member of the Virginia State Board of Education under Governor George Allen, subsequently serving as Deputy Secretary and then Secretary of Education for the Commonwealth of Virginia under Governor Jim Gilmore.

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Yecke was born and raised in St. Paul, Minnesota. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Hawaii, a Masters of Science degree from the University of Wisconsin, and a Ph.D. at the University of Virginia. She and her husband will move from their current home in Chesterfield, Virginia, to begin her new job.

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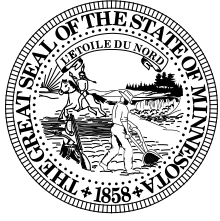
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1991-1993	<u>History Teacher</u> Grades 10-11, Prescott High School, Prescott, WI
1990-1991	<u>History and English Teacher</u> Grade 7, Andrew G. Wright Middle School, Stafford, VA
1985-1990	<u>History and English Teacher</u> Grades 7-8, Edward E. Drew Middle School, Stafford, VA
1984-1985	<u>History Teacher</u> Grades 8-12, Quantico High School, Quantico, VA



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**PAWLENTY NAMES DR. CHERI PIERSON YECKE
COMMISSIONER OF CHILDREN, FAMILIES AND LEARNING**
--Yecke brings attitude of change and accountability to state's education department--

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today named Dr. Cheri Pierson Yecke Commissioner of the Department of Children, Families and Learning (CFL). Yecke, currently an official in the U.S. Department of Education, is a former teacher and Secretary of Education in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Pawlenty said she will bring a much-needed attitude of change and accountability to the state's education department.

"Our schools are the best in the world, but in recent years we've lost our edge," said Governor Pawlenty. "Bringing change and accountability to Minnesota's education system is imperative. Dr. Yecke is a Minnesotan with the experience and ideas to help our schools reach a new level. She has the can-do attitude and the temperament to make our state education department a leader in innovating to improve student achievement once more."

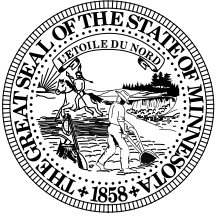
The Department of Children, Families, and Learning has an annual budget that includes over \$6 billion in state K-12 and early childhood funding, with property tax limitations of \$1 billion annually. In addition to state and local funding, the agency administers over \$700 million in federal funds. CFL provides leadership and works in partnership with communities, districts and service providers to support early childhood care and learning, the K-12 education system, lifelong learning, and stable environments for families.

Pawlenty noted that Dr. Yecke has most recently worked as the Director of Teacher Quality and Public School Choice in the U.S. Department of Education. She is currently on loan to The White House as a Senior Advisor to the USA Freedom Corps, where she has worked on implementation of the 'No Child Left Behind' federal education standards. She is a noted leader, researcher, presenter, and practitioner in K-12 education. After spending over a decade as a classroom teacher, she became a member of the Virginia State Board of Education, subsequently serving as Deputy Secretary and then Secretary of Education for the Commonwealth of Virginia under Governor Jim Gilmore.

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“Minnesota has a historic and unwavering commitment to quality schools and an educated workforce,” said Yecke. “Governor Pawlenty not only understands that commitment, but wants to make it stronger with bold reforms and a new accountability. I’m excited to be coming home to take on this challenge and serve this governor.”

Yecke was born and raised in St. Paul, Minnesota. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Hawaii, a Masters of Science degree from the University of Wisconsin, and a Ph.D. at the University of Virginia. She and her husband will move from their current home in Chesterfield, Virginia, to begin her new job.



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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY TO ANNOUNCE CABINET APPOINTMENTS

WHO: Governor Tim Pawlenty

WHAT: Governor Pawlenty will announce cabinet appointments

WHERE: Governor's Reception Room, State Capitol

WHEN: **Thursday, January 23, 2003**
3:30 PM

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS ATTORNEY JAMES CUNNINGHAM, JR. TO HEAD MEDIATION SERVICES

-Pawlenty says Cunningham an able mediator with strong labor relations background-

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty appointed James Cunningham, Jr. today to head the state's Bureau of Mediation Services. Cunningham currently serves as an Assistant City Attorney for the city of Minneapolis.

"As a former co-worker of mine, I know James Cunningham to be a competent and knowledgeable attorney," said Governor Pawlenty. "He will be an able mediator, especially since he has such a strong background in labor relations."

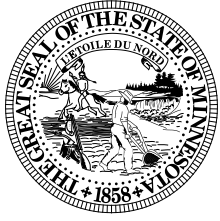
The Mediations Services Bureau has nineteen full-time employees. The Bureau aims to promote stable and constructive labor-management relations and the use of alternative dispute resolution methods. The Bureau assists parties in resolving collective bargaining disputes; resolves questions of labor union representation and bargaining unit structure; supports, train, and facilitates joint labor management committees; provides technical training; develops and maintains a roster of labor arbitrators; and promotes the use of alternative dispute resolution and mediation programs by state agencies for non-labor disputes.

Pawlenty noted that he and Cunningham were legal colleagues at the law firm of Rider, Bennett, Egan and Arundel in the early 1990s. Prior to his work with the City of Minneapolis, Cunningham was an Assistant to the District General Counsel in the Minneapolis School District. He also serves as an Adjunct Professor at both St. Mary's University and Hamline University.

"I am honored to serve in Governor Pawlenty's cabinet," said Cunningham. "In these difficult times, the governor's 'can-do' approach to the difficulties facing Minnesota is heartening. I look forward to facilitating positive labor relations in state government."

Cunningham and his wife reside in Spring Lake Park, MN, with their three sons. He received both his bachelor's degree and Juris Doctorate at the University of Wisconsin, Madison.

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GOVERNOR NAMES RICH STANEK COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY

--Policeman, legislator has 'lifetime of experience protecting public,' Pawlenty says --

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today named Rep. Rich Stanek of Maple Grove as Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety. He currently serves as Inspector and Commander of the Minneapolis Police Department's Second Precinct. Stanek, also serving his fifth term in the state House of Representatives, serves as chairman of the House Judiciary Policy and Finance Committee and oversees financial and policy decisions in areas such as public safety, crime prevention, corrections, crime victims and the judiciary.

"No one is better prepared to be Minnesota's 'top cop' than Rich Stanek," said Governor Pawlenty. "At a time when homeland security and public safety is a priority, we need a commissioner who has the first-hand experience and innovative leadership necessary to continue Charlie Weaver's leadership and ensure Minnesota is on the cutting edge of public safety."

The Department of Public Safety has an annual budget of about \$585 million and employs 1,941 people. Since the events of September 11, 2001, the department has taken on the role of Minnesota's Office of Homeland Security and oversees the coordination of preparedness and response plans. The Department of Public Safety's core functions also include serving federal, state and local criminal justice agencies, fire service agencies, emergency management, and licensing and inspection agencies.

Pawlenty noted that Stanek currently serves on the GLOBAL Justice Advisory Commission to Attorney General Ashcroft and the new Department of Homeland Security. As Inspector of the Minneapolis Police Department's Second Precinct, Stanek's leadership was key in implementing and directing crime reduction strategies in Minneapolis. Stanek worked closely with federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to manage and investigate the effects of these strategies.

As a state legislator, Stanek was instrumental in developing public safety initiatives such as anti-terrorism legislation, DWI felony law, CriMNet and legislation protecting our communities from sex offenders.

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“From officers on the street to the new U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Minnesota needs a Department of Public Safety to utilize all of the assets we have to protect our citizens,” said Stanek. “I appreciate this opportunity to serve and am grateful to be on Governor Pawlenty’s team.”

Stanek serves on the Board of Directors for the Center for Integrated Justice Information Systems in the U.S. Department of Justice and is a member of the Minnesota Chief’s of Police Association and the Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association.

Stanek earned a master’s degree in Public Administration from Hamline University. He lives with his wife and children in Maple Grove.



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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY NAMES VELMA KORBEL COMMISSIONER OF DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

--Pawlenty says Korbelt will bring proactive, fair approach to department --

Saint Paul – Today, Governor Tim Pawlenty named Velma Korbelt as Commissioner of the Department of Human Rights. Korbelt, a veteran of the U.S. Navy, was formerly the Director of Equal Opportunity at the Met Council and would be what Pawlenty called “a fair voice in protecting freedom and opportunity for all Minnesotans.”

“In a time of difficult budget questions, the state needs a commissioner in this department who will be proactive in reaching out,” said Governor Pawlenty. “Velma Korbelt has a reputation of outreach, credibility, fairness, and candidness. She has experience in implementing innovative Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action programs in times of budget cuts.”

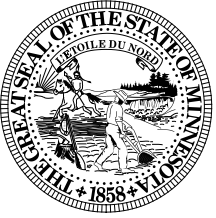
The mission of the Department of Human Rights is to stop illegal discrimination and promote equal opportunity for all people in Minnesota. The Department aims to eliminate discrimination and inter-group conflict; inform and educate the public about their rights and responsibilities under the Human Rights Act; collaborate with other agencies and groups which share common goals; and, inform and educate the public.

Pawlenty noted that Korbelt is widely known and respected for her work in the Equal Opportunity community. Most recently, Korbelt has served as an equal opportunity/diversity consultant to the Metropolitan Council’s Office of Diversity. Prior to that, she served as the Administrative Manager, Acting Director of Equal Opportunity/Diversity Management, and Senior Equal Opportunity Consultant at the Metropolitan Waste Control Commission. She was also the Personnel Coordinator at Volt Information Services in Orange, California. Before that, she served for six years in the United States Navy as a cryptology machine technician in a combat unit.

“Minnesota has a rich tradition of ensuring human rights,” said Korbelt. “I am honored to be a part of continuing that tradition as a part of Governor Pawlenty’s administration.”

Korbelt and her husband are raising three children in Andover, MN. She received her degree at National University in San Diego, California.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY TO ANNOUNCE CABINET APPOINTMENT

WHO: Governor Tim Pawlenty

WHAT: Governor Pawlenty will announce a cabinet appointment

WHERE: Governor's Reception Room, State Capitol

WHEN: **Tuesday, February 4, 2003**
10:00 AM

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS HOSPITAL CHIEF DIANNE MANDERNACH TO HEAD HEALTH DEPARTMENT

--Pawlenty says Mandernach brings track record of innovation and cooperation--

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty appointed Dianne Mandernach today to head the Minnesota Department of Health. Mandernach has served as the Chief Executive Officer for Mercy Hospital and Health Care Center in Moose Lake, Minnesota since 1993.

“In times of continually-increasing health care costs, concerns about homeland security, and increased need to protect public health, we need a steady hand at the helm of the Minnesota Department of Health,” said Governor Pawlenty. “In the health care industry, Dianne Mandernach has a track record of innovation and cooperation, resulting in better quality and choices for consumers. Her work at Mercy Hospital and Health Care Center has moved the facility from serving only a small and local clientele, to a facility acknowledged as a regional health care system.”

With a staff of about 1,300 people in three Twin Cities locations and seven district offices, the Minnesota Department of Health operates programs in the areas of disease prevention and control, health promotion, community public health, environmental health, health care policy, regulation of health care providers, and emergency preparedness. The department works closely with local public health agencies in every county of the state.

Mandernach worked her way to the chief executive officer position at Mercy Hospital and Health Care Center in Moose Lake. She began at the hospital as an Admitting Clerk in 1987, followed by stints as Director of Human Resources and Associate Administrator, before becoming the CEO. Prior to working in the hospital, Mandernach spent eleven years teaching science, math and English to junior high school students. She is the Minnesota Hospital and Healthcare Partnership’s Secretary/Treasurer and has served on the Board of Directors since 1997.

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She is active in her community, having served on a variety of boards, commissions, and service organizations: Arrowhead Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council; Carlton County School-to-Work Board; Moose Lake Corrections Liaison Board; Moose Lake Chamber of Commerce; Moose Lake Kiwanis; Moose Lake Coalition Executive Board; and the Moose Lake School Board.

“I am excited to be a part of Governor Pawlenty’s cabinet,” said Mandernach. “Much of the credit for Minnesota’s good health should go to the state’s strong public health system. I look forward to working to protect, maintain, and improve the health of all Minnesotans.”

Mandernach resides in Sturgeon Lake with her family. She attended the College of St. Teresa and received a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Minnesota, St. Paul. She also received Nursing Home Administration certification at the University of Minnesota’s Long Term Care Center and has achieved the Diplomat Level of the American College of Health Care Executives.

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PAWLENTY NAMES HARRY MARES COMMISSIONER OF ECONOMIC SECURITY

--Mare's experience will be invaluable during merger, Governor says --

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today named Harry Mares Commissioner of the Department of Economic Security. Mares, currently serving as Deputy Commissioner, will work closely with Matt Kramer, the state's Commissioner of Trade and Economic Development. Both men will implement the merger of DTED and DES, an idea that began two years ago as part of Governor Pawlenty's reorganization of state government.

"I've worked together with Harry Mares on many issues over the years and know he is the kind of leader and innovator who can make this merger a success and strengthen the services the department provides to Minnesota workers and employer," the Governor said.

Pawlenty praised Mares' eight years of legislative experience in the Minnesota House of Representatives. He served as Chair of the Education Policy Committee and Vice-Chair of the Legislative Commission on Pensions and Retirement. Mares was also a member of the K-12 Education Finance Committee and the Government Operations and Veteran Affairs Committees. In 1999, the Minnesota Police and Peace Officers Association and the Minnesota Fire Chiefs Association named him Legislator of the Year. Mares served as the mayor of White Bear Lake before entering state politics.

"The Department of Economic Security is in the spotlight right now because the economic downturn is creating a high demand for its services," said Mares, "our job is to help people help themselves achieve economic security, and I'm glad to be on Governor Pawlenty's team."

The Department of Economic Security operates 53 workforce centers that bring together state, local and private nonprofit employment and training services. It has 1,800 employees and an annual federal budget of \$250 million dollars and a state general fund budget of \$30 million dollars.

Mares has a B.A. degree from Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa and a Master of Science degree from Winona State University. He lives in White Bear Lake with his wife. They have seven children.



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PAWLENTY NAMES COMMISSIONER OF IRON RANGE RESOURCES & REHABILITATION AGENCY

--Kramer's experience will help spur business growth, Governor says --

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today named Matt Kramer Commissioner of the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Agency. From Aitkin to International Falls Kramer will “tackle the economic challenges of the range with creativity and compassion” the Governor said.

The Administration has stressed the importance of jobs and economic growth in the region with JOBZ presentations in Hibbing and Keewatin. JOBZ is the Governor’s initiative to spur business growth in Greater Minnesota. The Governor will visit Thief River Falls, Warroad, Roseau and International Falls next week.

“Job creation is a top priority of this administration,” said Pawlenty. “Matt Kramer’s experience will help up diversify the face of business on the range. Mining, wood products and tourism will continues to be the backbone but ?? will help pursue new knowledge-based businesses.”

The IRRRBs core mission is working with the private sector and other partners to help retain and create quality jobs. It achieves that goal through business and community development, retaining its mining and wood products base and other special initiatives. It receives no money from the state’s general fund.

Pawlenty praised Kramer’s experience with Syntegra USA, a U.S. subsidiary of British Telecom, formerly Control Data Systems, where he managed marketing and communications within specific industries, which included telecommunications, manufacturing and energy. Kramer led the upgrade of technology-delivery systems for the managed services division, keeping on budget while exceeding goals by 39 percent. At CE Software, Kramer led the development of e-mail software while managing a revenue stream topping \$10 million dollars.

“The range has a number of issues on the front burner, chief among them, keeping people employed,” said Kramer, “I intend to be a tireless advocate for the range worker as I change and innovate the way the range does business. I appreciate the challenge before

me and thank the Administration for placing it in my hands with the opportunity to help move Minnesota's economy forward."

Kramer has a B.S. degree in geography from the University of Minnesota. He lives in Shoreview with his two children.



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PAWLENTY NAMES COMMISSIONER OF MINNESOTA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

*--Kramer's innovations will help Minnesotans achieve the
American dream, Governor says --*

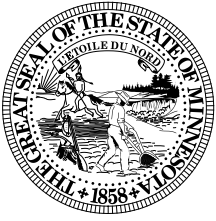
Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today named Matt Kramer Commissioner of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. Kramer will “tackle the affordable housing crisis facing this state with creativity and compassion” the Governor said. “Owning a home is part of the American dream,” said Pawlenty. “But for society as a whole, good citizenship starts with a good, stable home life.”

The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency's core mission is meeting Minnesotans' needs for decent, safe affordable housing and stronger communities. It achieves this by focusing on development and redevelopment programs, homeownership loan programs and the preservation of federally assisted housing among other things. MHFA has nearly 200 employees and a biennial budget from the General Fund totaling \$100 million dollars.

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“I intend to help get people into existing homes, build new housing for a growing workforce and revitalize older communities,” said Kramer, “I'm excited to be part of this administration and can't wait to put good ideas to work.”

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS MEMBERS TO METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of sixteen members to the Metropolitan Council, saying that like all areas of state government, the Council needs to reform the way it operates to improve service delivery. The Governor said he selected “an interesting mix” of individuals and community leaders who will bring innovation and diverse perspectives to the regional agency.

“The Met Council has an important role to play in the quality of life in the Metro area,” said Governor Pawlenty. “Through innovation, reform and increased efficiency, it can improve service. By being a strong partner with communities, it can encourage and facilitate economic growth that protects the character of each community and is also good for the region as a whole. Along with Peter Bell’s leadership, I’m confident this is the team to get the job done.”

Governor Pawlenty’s appointees include: Rick Aguilar, Duane Arens, Marcel Eibensteiner, Song Lo Fawcett, Chris Georgacas, Peggy Leppik, Annette Meeks, Tony Pistilli, Roger Scherer, Glen Skovholt, Russell Susag and Lynette Wittsack and the reappointment of Tom Egan, Jules Smith, Mary Hill Smith and Natalie Haas Steffen to the Metropolitan Council.

Aguilar, West St. Paul, is president of Aguilar Marketing Productions, is a commissioner of the RiverCentre Authority, founded the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and is a past chairman of the St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce. Aguilar replaces John Conzemius in Metropolitan Council District 16.

Arens, St. Anthony, is the director of community and economic development for Connexus Energy in Ramsey. Arens replaces Jim Nelson in Metropolitan Council District 10.

Egan, Eagan, is an attorney and partner with the law firm of Egan, Stewart & Lauer in Apple Valley and a former two-term mayor of Eagan. He has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since May 2002. Egan is reappointed to Metropolitan Council District 15.

Eibensteiner, North Oaks, is founder and president of Royal Oaks Realty, Inc., Royal Excavating, Inc., and Imperial Homes, Inc. Eibensteiner replaces Roger Williams in Metropolitan Council District 11.

Fawcett, St. Paul, is an attorney and partner with the law firm of Kelly & Fawcett and chairs the St. Paul Human Rights Commission. Fawcett replaces Dan Galles in Metropolitan Council District 13.

Georgacas, Mahtomedi, is a principal and shareholder with Goff & Howard, Inc., a public relations/public affairs firm in St. Paul. Georgacas replaces Marc Hugunin in Metropolitan Council District 12.

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Leppik, Golden Valley, recently retired after serving six terms in the Minnesota House of Representatives, where she chaired the Higher Education Finance Committee. Leppik replaces Frank Hornstein in Metropolitan Council District Six.

Meeks, Minneapolis, is director of government affairs and public programs for the Center of the American Experiment. Meeks replaces George Garnett in Metropolitan Council District Seven.

Pistilli, Brooklyn Park, is the owner of Park Appraisal Service, a real estate appraisal company, and a member of the Brooklyn Park City Council. Pistilli replaces Todd Paulson in Metropolitan Council District Two.

Scherer, Plymouth, is chairman of the board of Scherer Bros. Lumber Company, and previously served on the Metropolitan Council from 1980 to 1984 and again from 1992 to 1998. Scherer replaces Sandra Spigner in Metropolitan Council District One.

Skovholt, St. Paul, is president of Government and Community Strategies. Skovholt replaces Lee Pao Xiong in Metropolitan Council District 14.

Jules Smith, Chaska, is an attorney in private practice, president of International Renaissance Festivals, Ltd., which produces and operates renaissance festivals in Annapolis, Maryland, and Toronto, Ontario, and president of International Conference Foundation. Smith has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since 1993 and currently chairs its Management Committee. Smith is reappointed to Metropolitan Council District Four.

Mary Hill Smith, Wayzata, is a past chair and current member of the Minnesota Women's Campaign Fund, and chair of the Sheltering Arms Foundation. Smith has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since 1993, and chairs its Transportation Committee. Smith is reappointed to Metropolitan Council District Three.

Steffen, Ramsey, has previously served as a member of the Ramsey City Council, commissioner of the Department of Human Services, and an Anoka County Commissioner. Steffen has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since 1999. Steffen is reappointed to Metropolitan Council District Nine.

Susag, Richfield, is president of SUSAG Environmental Consulting, Inc., and was the director of environmental regulatory affairs with 3M. Susag replaces Phil Riveness in Metropolitan Council District Five.

Wittsack, Minneapolis, is a stay-at-home mother, former business owner and community activist. Wittsack replaces Carol Kummer in Metropolitan Council District Eight.

"I am pleased by the caliber of individuals that Governor Pawlenty has appointed to the Metropolitan Council," Chair Peter Bell said. "There are some very significant issues before the council and I am eagerly looking forward to working with these new members."

The Metropolitan Council coordinates planning and development in the seven county metropolitan area and directly operates several regional services. The Metropolitan Council consists of 16 metropolitan citizens appointed from geographically defined districts in the seven county metropolitan area and a chair. All 17 members are appointed by the Governor to four-year terms that are co-terminus with the governor.



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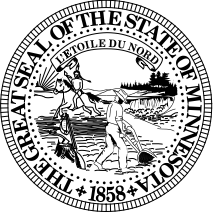
GOVERNOR PAWLENTY REAPPOINTS EDMAN TOURISM CHIEF

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the reappointment of John Edman as deputy commissioner for tourism at the Department of Trade and Economic Development. He serves as the head of the Minnesota Office of Tourism.

Edman, who resides in Stillwater, has been the director of the Minnesota Office of Tourism since October 2000. Prior to that, Edman was director of Carlson Destination Marketing Services, a division of Carlson Companies in Plymouth. He was responsible for tourism marketing programs for state and national tourism destinations throughout the world. Before Carlson Companies, Edman served as international marketing director for Mississippi River Country, U.S.A., a tourism marketing association. He also served as managing director of America's Heartland, a multi-state marketing organization, and was a marketing manager of the association management firm of Enright and Associates in St. Paul.

As director the Minnesota Office of Tourism, Edman is responsible to promote and facilitate increased travel to and within the state of Minnesota. The Office of Tourism markets Minnesota in North America and internationally as a travel destination to consumers, tour operators and travel media, and coordinates tourism development with local communities and businesses throughout the state. The deputy commissioner for tourism, who serves in the unclassified service, is appointed by the Governor and is supervised by the commissioner of the Department of Trade and Economic Development.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS MEMBERS TO COMPENSATION COUNCIL

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Michael Christenson, Stanley Durda, Ezell Jones, Paula Laidig, Dr. Joseph Leek, Kathleen Meyerle, Craig Shaver and Jon Staebler to the Compensation Council.

Christenson, who resides in St. Paul, is an attorney with the Smith Parker law firm in Minneapolis. His law practice focuses primarily on administrative and employment law. Christenson is appointed as a member from the Fourth Congressional District.

Durda, who resides in Apple Valley, recently retired as the director of Human Resources for 3M in St. Paul. Durda is appointed as a member from the Second Congressional District.

Jones, who resides in Minneapolis, is the chairman/CEO of Premier Network Service Group in Minneapolis. Jones is appointed as a member from the Fifth Congressional District.

Laidig, who resides in Stillwater, is the school psychologist for the Stillwater Schools. Laidig is appointed as a member from the Sixth Congressional District.

Leek, who resides in Duluth, is vice president for medical affairs for the Miller-Dwan Medical Center in Duluth. Leek is appointed as a member from the Eighth Congressional District.

Meyerle, who resides in Rochester, is legal counsel for the Mayo Foundation in Rochester. Meyerle is appointed as a member from the First Congressional District.

Shaver, who resides in Deephaven, is managing director of investments for U.S. Bancorp Piper Jaffray in Minneapolis. Shaver is appointed as a member from the Third Congressional District.

Staebler, who resides in Perham, is founder and president of the Staebler Financial Group in Perham. Staebler is appointed as a member from the Seventh Congressional District.

The Compensation Council makes recommendations to the legislature on the salaries of constitutional officers, members of the legislature, justices of the Supreme Court, judges of the court of appeals and district court, and the heads of state and metropolitan agencies. The Compensation Council consists of 16 members, including eight appointed by the Governor - one from each Congressional District, six appointed by the legislature and two non-judges appointed by the chief justice of the Supreme Court. No more than four of the Governor's appointees may belong to the same political party.



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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY NAMES ROY TERWILLIGER CHAIR OF METROPOLITAN SPORTS FACILITIES COMMISSION

--Former Senator brings extensive leadership from the public and private sectors --

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of former State Senator Roy Terwilliger as Chairman of the Metropolitan Sports Facility Commission (MSFC). Terwilliger replaces Kathryn Roberts.

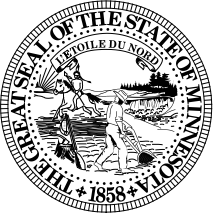
“I’m delighted that Roy is willing to again serve the people of Minnesota in this important role,” said Pawlenty. “While we may have differed on the approach needed to retain professional sports in the past, we both share a very strong interest in keeping our sport franchises strong where they belong – in Minnesota.”

Terwilliger served as a state senator from 1992-2003 representing the people of Edina and Eden Prairie. He also has been in the banking industry since 1965, currently serving as Board Chair for the Community Bank Group, Eden Prairie.

“It’s a great honor to serve this Governor doing something I truly believe in,” said Terwilliger. “My commitment to him and the people of Minnesota is to make certain we keep our professional sports teams, but protect the interests of Minnesota taxpayers at the same time. Given the economy and the reduced threat of Major League Baseball contraction, I think we can do that. But if the time comes for us to consider new stadiums, my job will be to bring together all the interests and a plan that convinces the Governor, Legislature and the public and is in the best interest of taxpayers.”

The MSFC was established by legislative charter in 1977 and was responsible for building the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome. Today, the Commission owns and operates the Metrodome and is funded through admission taxes, rent, concession and other revenues. It has engaged in several major studies on sports facilities in Minnesota to explore stadium options.

The Governor appoints the chairperson, and six commissioner members are appointed by the Minneapolis City Council to four-year terms.



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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO MSRS BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of state Finance Commissioner Dan McElroy and the reappointment of Roy Watson to the Minnesota State Retirement System Board of Directors.

McElroy, who resides in Burnsville, was appointed Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Finance by Governor Pawlenty in January. Prior to that, he served four terms in the Minnesota House of Representatives and owned Travel Agency Management Solutions, Inc. McElroy replaces Carol Johnson as a constitutional officer or appointed state official for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Watson, who resides in Rochester, is a senior consultant for Rochester Lites Advertising and a consultant in the hospitality industry, where he has held many positions over the years, including President, CEO and Chairman of the Board of The Kahler Corporation in Rochester. Watson, who has served on the MSRS Board since 1999, is reappointed to another four-year term as a public member that expires on January 1, 2007.

The Minnesota State Retirement System Board of Directors establishes rules and regulations for the administration of the State Retirement System, approves the agency budget, and handles covered employee appeals. The board of directors consists of 11 members, including three appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO RESIDENCE COUNCIL

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Christine Carmichael, Helene Houle and Mary Griesedieck Sperling to the Governor's Residence Council. All three are appointed to public member positions for four-year terms that expire on January 1, 2007.

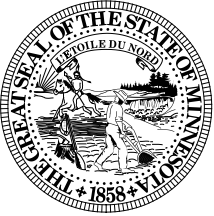
Carmichael, who resides in New Ulm, is an interior designer and chief executive officer of Design Directions Interiors, Ltd., in New Ulm. Her professional experience includes work in historical design consulting and renovation. Carmichael has received numerous awards from the National Kitchen and Bath Association State Design Association.

Houle, who resides in St. Paul, is the former owner of Helene's Salon and a past part owner and instructor of the Minnesota Beauty College. She is currently a board member of the United Hospital Foundation and the Schubert Club.

Sperling, who resides in Minneapolis, is an English as a Second Language (ELS) tutor to Minnesota Wild players and wives who come from non-English speaking countries and was an ELS teacher in the Boulder Valley, Colorado public schools. Sperling serves on numerous fund-raising committees, which include Hazelden, Ordway, Minnesota Orchestra and Stages Theatre.

The Governor's Residence Council develops and implements an overall restoration plan for the governor's residence and surrounding grounds and solicits contributions to restore, maintain, improve and furnish the building. The council consists of 19 members, including 13 appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Keith Langmo, Marcus Marsh, and Chester Wilander to the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) Board.

Keith Langmo, of Litchfield, is a partner in Langmo Farms. He previously served on the MPCA Board for seventeen years, being appointed by Governors Al Quie, Rudy Perpich, and Arne Carlson. Langmo received a Bachelors of Science degree in Agricultural Education from the University of Minnesota. He is a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. He also sits on the board of directors of Bank Vista in Sartell. Langmo fills an open seat caused by the resignation of James Dunlop. This term expires on January 2, 2006.

Marcus Marsh, of Sauk Rapids, is the legislative affairs director for the Minnesota Association of Farm Mutual Insurance Companies. He was first appointed to the board by Governor Jesse Ventura in 1999, and is finishing his first four-year term. He served in the Minnesota House of Representatives from 1980-92, representing St. Cloud, Sauk Rapids, and Sartell. In the House, he served on the Environment and Natural Resources Committee and was an author of the Wetlands Conservation Act of 1991. Marsh received a Bachelors of Science degree from Creighton University in Omaha, Nebraska. Marsh was reappointed to a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Chester Wilander, of Laporte, is a recently retired labor representative from Teamsters Local 346 in Duluth. He was previously appointed to the board by Governors Carlson and Ventura, and is finishing his second four-year term. Wilander received a Bachelor of Science degree in Art Education from Bemidji State University. He is a veteran of the U.S. Army. He is also a former teacher at Braham High School in Braham. He serves on the board as the designated representative of organized labor. Wilander was reappointed to a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS MEMBERS TO JUDICIAL SELECTION COMMISSION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of 26 members to the Commission on Judicial Selection.

“These people share my commitment to merit selection and have an understanding of what it takes to be a good judge, which includes experience, judicial temperament, competence, fairness, respect for justice and the rule of law,” Governor Pawlenty said.

Governor Pawlenty appointed the following:

Richard Breen, who resides in Brainerd, is an attorney and partner in the Brainerd law firm of Breen and Person. Breen, who has served on the commission since 1999, is reappointed as a Ninth Judicial District attorney member.

Leonardo Castro, who resides in White Bear Township, is the Fourth Judicial District Chief Public Defender in Hennepin County. Castro, who has served as an at-large attorney member of the commission since 2002, is reappointed.

Marcus Christianson, who resides in Mankato, is an attorney with the Mankato law firm of Maschka, Riedy and Ries. Christianson is appointed as a Fifth Judicial District attorney member.

Iris Cornelius, who resides in St. Paul, is a licensed psychologist and owns Cornelius and Associates in Edina. Cornelius is appointed as a Second Judicial District non-attorney member.

John Delmonico, who resides in Minneapolis, is president of the Police Officers Federation of Minneapolis. Delmonico is appointed as a Fourth Judicial District non-attorney member.

Christopher Dietzen, who resides in Bloomington, is an attorney with, and on the board of directors of, the Bloomington law firm of Larkin, Hoffman, Daly and Lindgren. Dietzen is appointed to an at-large attorney position.

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Mary Ellen Domeier, who resides in New Ulm, is chief executive officer of Valley Bank and Trust in New Ulm and has been a Fifth Judicial District non-attorney member of the commission since 1999. Domeier is appointed to an at-large non-attorney position.

Michael Dougherty, who resides in Burnsville, is an attorney with the Apple Valley law firm of Severson, Sheldon, Dougherty and Molenda. Dougherty is appointed as a First Judicial District attorney member.

Dr. Paul Dovre, who resides in Moorhead, is the retired president of Concordia College in Moorhead. Dovre, who has served on the commission since 1999, is reappointed as a Seventh Judicial District non-attorney member.

David Ellefson, who resides in Hibbing, is founder and president of Dom-Ex, Inc. in Hibbing. Ellefson is appointed as a Sixth Judicial District non-attorney member.

Sonja Faust, who resides in Waconia, is a self-employed certified public accountant. Faust is appointed as a First Judicial District non-attorney member.

Jill Frieders, who resides in Rochester, is an attorney and partner in the Rochester law firm of O'Brien and Wolf. Frieders is appointed as a Third Judicial District attorney member.

Susan Kamrath, who resides in Canby, is the Canby CARES Coordinator for Independent School District 891. Kamrath is appointed as an Eighth Judicial District non-attorney member.

Steven Kirsch, who resides in Vadnais Heights, is an attorney with the St. Paul law firm of Murnane, Conlin, White and Brandt. Kirsch, who has served on the commission since 2001, is reappointed as a Second Judicial District attorney member.

L. Wayne Larson, who resides in Willmar, is an attorney and partner in the Willmar law firm of Anderson, Larson, Hanson and Saunders. Larson, who has served on the commission since 1999, is reappointed as an Eighth Judicial District attorney member.

Jean Michaels, who resides in Rochester, is an Olmsted County Commissioner and has been a Third Judicial District non-attorney member of the commission since 1991. Michaels is appointed to an at-large non-attorney position.

Rita' Olson, who resides in New Prague, owns Lakeville Floral and K & R Contracting, Inc. Olson is appointed to a Third Judicial District non-attorney position.

Richard Ostlund, who resides in Eden Prairie, is an attorney and partner in the Minneapolis law firm of Anthony, Ostlund and Baer. Ostlund is appointed as a Fourth Judicial District attorney member.

Thomas Reif, who resides in Alexandria, is an attorney and partner with the Alexandria law firm of Thornton, Hegg, Reif, Dolan and Bowen. Reif, who has served on the commission since 1999, is reappointed as a Seventh Judicial District attorney member.

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Christine Rice, who resides in Woodbury, is a former deputy commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Health and is currently a community volunteer working on healthcare issues. Rice is appointed as a Tenth Judicial District non-attorney member.

Lenor Scheffler, who resides in Eden Prairie, is an attorney with the Minneapolis law firm of Best and Flanagan and is Chief Judge of the Upper Sioux Community Tribal Court. Scheffler is appointed as an at-large attorney member.

Ronald Schutz, who resides in Medina, is an attorney and partner in the Minneapolis law firm of Robins, Kaplan, Miller and Ciresi. Schutz is appointed as an at-large attorney member.

David Sturrock, who resides in Marshall, is a professor of political science at Southwest State University in Marshall. Sturrock is appointed as a Fifth Judicial District non-attorney member.

Thomas Thibodeau, who resides in Duluth, is an attorney and partner with the Duluth law firm of Thibodeau, Johnson, Feriancek and Costley. Thibodeau, who has been a member of the commission since 1999, is reappointed as a Sixth Judicial District attorney member.

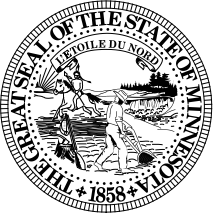
James Weber, Jr., who resides in Ramsey, is an assistant Anoka County Attorney. Weber, who has served on the commission since 1999, is reappointed as a Tenth Judicial District attorney member.

Victoria White, who resides in Walker, is the economic development director for the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe in Cass Lake. White is appointed as a Ninth Judicial District non-attorney member.

Previously, Governor Pawlenty announced the appointment of Eric Magnuson as Chair of the Commission on Judicial Selection. Magnuson, who resides in Inver Grove Heights, is an attorney and partner with the Minneapolis law firm of Rider, Bennett. John Hultquist will continue to serve as judicial appointments coordinator for Governor Pawlenty and the Commission on Judicial Selection and is the primary contact for judicial inquiries. He can be reached at the above address, by telephone at 651-296-0019 or e-mail at john.hultquist@state.mn.us.

The Commission on Judicial Selection solicits judicial candidates, evaluates applicants and recommends three to five finalists to the governor for district court and Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals vacancies that occur during the term of a judge. The commission consists of 49 members; 27 appointed by the Governor, and 22 by the Supreme Court.

Attached is a map of the state's judicial districts.



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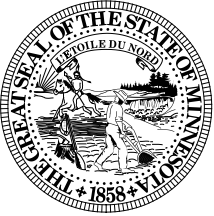
GOVERNOR PAWLENTY REAPPOINTS VELLEU TO CAPITOL AREA ARCHITECTURAL AND PLANNING BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the reappointment of Jean Velleu to the Capitol Area Architectural and Planning (CAAP) Board.

Velleu, of St. Paul, is a retired public school teacher who organized the Cass Gilbert Society in 1998 and has served as president since its inception. She was a professional tour guide at Walker Art Center and served on the Ramsey Hill Board. Velleu, who has been a member of the CAAP Board since 1999, is reappointed to another four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

The Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board is responsible for the architecture, urban design, and comprehensive land-use planning in the capitol area of St. Paul, exercises zoning and design review authority, and oversees redevelopment of the north capitol area. The board consists of 10 members, including four appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of John Lanners and Tammy McGee and the reappointment of Dr. John Williams to the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC). All three are appointed to four-year terms that expire on January 1, 2007.

Lanners, of Woodbury, is president and CEO of F.T.L. Corporation, which owns MGM Liquor Warehouse stores, president of R.P. Royalties, Inc. and is an officer and partner with Acacia Real Estate Group, which specializes in commercial real estate development. Lanners replaces Nancy Speer as a resident of MAC District “F”.

McGee, of Maple Grove, is vice president of finance and operations for Minneapolis Community and Technical College and previously held positions in finance and management with companies that included H. B. Fuller and General Mills. McGee replaces Paul Weske as a resident of MAC District “A”.

Williams, DDS, of Minneapolis, is a dentist with a practice in North Minneapolis. He is also a member of the District 5 D-MORT Team and the Minnesota Disaster Dental Identification Team. He is a Hennepin County deputy medical examiner and is on the staff of North Memorial Hospital in Robbinsdale. Williams, who has served on MAC since March 2002, is reappointed as a resident of MAC District “D”.

The Metropolitan Airports Commission promotes air transportation locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally by developing the Twin Cities metropolitan area as an aviation center. The commission consists of 15 members, including 13 appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the mayor of Minneapolis and one appointed by the mayor of St. Paul.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS SEVEN TO SENTENCING GUIDELINES COMMISSION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Darci Bentz, Steven Borchardt, Jeffrey Edblad, Tracy Jenson and Michael Williams and the reappointment of Lorie Gildea and Constance Larson to the Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission. All seven are appointed to four-year terms that expire on January 1, 2007.

Bentz, of Fairmont, is the managing attorney in the Fifth Judicial District public defender's office in Fairmont. Bentz replaces Jodie Carlson as a representative of public defenders.

Borchardt, of Rochester, is the Olmsted County sheriff. Borchardt, whom the Governor has also designated chair of the commission, replaces Nobles County sheriff Kent Wilkening as a representative of county sheriffs.

Edblad, of Cambridge, is the Isanti County attorney. Edblad replaces Olmsted County attorney Raymond Schmitz.

Gildea, of Minneapolis, is an associate general counsel for the University of Minnesota. Gildea, who has been a member of the commission since 2001, is reappointed as a public member.

Jenson, of Stillwater, is a Washington County probation officer in the adult supervision division. Jenson replaces Robert Knickerbocker as a representative of probation officers.

Larson, of Waseca, is the mother of Cally Jo, who was sexually assaulted and murdered in 1999. Larson, who has been a member of the commission since 2001, is reappointed as a felony crime victim.

Williams, of Minneapolis, is a pastor and founder of On Fire Ministry Christian Center. Williams replaces Mary Howard as a public member.

The Minnesota Sentencing Guidelines Commission develops and maintains rational and consistent sentencing standards which seek to reduce sentencing disparity, increase proportionality in sanctions, and ensure more equitable and uniform sentencing for convicted felons. The commission consists of 11 members, including seven appointed by the Governor.



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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FOUR TO PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Timothy Bildsoe, Chief Thomas Johnson and Tracey Martin and the reappointment of Sheriff Jim Connolly to the Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST Board). Governor Pawlenty also appointed Bill Martinez, a commander with the St. Paul Police Department, chair of the board.

Bildsoe, of Plymouth, works for RJF Agencies, Inc., a commercial insurance and employee benefits firm. He is also a member of the Plymouth City Council and is board president of the Jacob Wetterling Foundation. Bildsoe replaces Sandra Spigner as a public member for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Connolly, of Preston, is the sheriff of Fillmore County, a position he has held since 1989. During his 30-year career in law enforcement, Connolly has also been a deputy, investigator, and chief deputy sheriff. Connolly, who has been a member of the POST Board since 1997, is reappointed to a position for a county sheriff for another four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Johnson, of Columbia Heights, is the chief of police for the city of Columbia Heights. He is also currently first vice president of the Minnesota State Chiefs of Police Association. Johnson has been a licensed peace officer since 1977 and has previously served on the Owatonna, New Brighton and Mankato police departments. Johnson replaces former Duluth Police Chief Scott Lyons, who retired, to a position for a municipal police chief to complete a four-year term that expires on January 5, 2004.

Martin, of Brooklyn Center, is a deputy sheriff in the human resources division of the Hennepin County sheriff's department and previously worked in the court security division. She is also a member of the state Board on Judicial Standards and a volunteer basketball coach. Martin replaces Tim Dolan to a position for a peace officer for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

The Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training establishes minimum qualifications and standards of conduct and regulates professional peace officer education and continuing education programs. The board consists of 15 members, including 14 appointed by the Governor.



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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO JUDICIAL STANDARDS BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Elizabeth Hepola and Robert M. A. Johnson to the Board on Judicial Standards.

Hepola, of Hutchinson, is the director of facility planning and health and safety services for Ridgewater Community and Technical College in Hutchinson and Willmar. Hepola replaces Suzanne White as a public member for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Johnson, of Ramsey, was re-elected last November to his sixth term as the Anoka County attorney. Johnson replaces Rosalyn Nordaune as an attorney member for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

The Board on Judicial Standards investigates allegations of misconduct by Minnesota judges and referees and recommends discipline to the Minnesota Supreme Court, including censure, suspension, retirement or removal of judges. The board consists of 10 members appointed by the Governor, including one judge of the Court of Appeals, three trial court judges, two attorneys with at least 10 years of experience in the state and four public members.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS EDWARD OLIVER TO THE GREAT LAKES COMMISSION

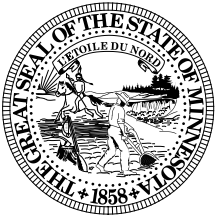
Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of former State Senator Edward Oliver to the Great Lakes Commission, effective April 18, 2003.

Oliver, of Deephaven, has been the owner of Oliver Financial, an investment and insurance sales business, since 1990. From 1986 to 1990, he was President and CEO of Washington Square Securities, Inc. From 1993 until 2003, Oliver served in the State Senate representing the Lake Minnetonka area. Oliver served as a member of the Minnesota Environmental Quality Board from 1990-1992.

Oliver currently serves on the board of directors of First Minnesota Bank N.A., and has previously served on the boards of the Minnesota World Trade Center Corporation, the Minneapolis Rotary Club, and the Insurance Legislators Foundation. He is active in a number of community organizations, including the United Way, the Minnesota Transportation Museum, and the Boys and Girls Club of the Twin Cities. He received a Bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of Minnesota. Oliver is also a veteran of the United States Air Force.

Oliver is familiar with the work of the Commission, serving as an alternate commissioner for the last ten years. He has been a member of a number of the Commission's committees, including those on non-indigenous aquatic invasive species, non-point source pollution, and tourism. Oliver replaces Mark Ludlow on the Commission. Oliver serves at the pleasure of the Governor.

The Great Lakes Commission is a bi-national agency that promotes the orderly, integrated and comprehensive development, use and conservation of the water and related natural resources of the Great Lakes basin and St. Lawrence River. The Commission is made up of members from Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New York. The Canadian provinces of Ontario and Quebec are associate members. The Great Lakes are the largest fresh water body in the world, and are often called America's fourth sea coast.



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GOVERNOR PAWLNTY APPOINTS BOB SCHROEDER CHAIRMAN OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD

Saint Paul — Governor Tim Pawlenty today appointed Bob Schroeder to serve as chairman of the Environmental Quality Board (EQB). Schroeder, who also serves as Governor Pawlenty's Deputy Chief of Staff, has a strong background in government operations and natural resources.

"Bob Schroeder is well suited for this important role," said Pawlenty. "His knowledge and commitment to environmental issues will help ensure Minnesotans can enjoy clean water and pure air for years to come."

The mission of the Environmental Quality Board is to lead Minnesota environmental policy by responding to key issues, providing appropriate review and coordination, serving as a public forum and developing long-range strategies to enhance Minnesota's environmental quality. The Environmental Quality Board consists of 10 state agency commissioners or directors and five citizen members. It was established by the Minnesota Legislature in 1973 to:

- Ensure compliance with state environmental policy
- Manage the environmental review process
- Advise the Governor and the Legislature
- Coordinate environmental agencies and programs
- Study environmental issues
- Convene environmental congresses

Before joining the Pawlenty Administration, Schroeder was Deputy Secretary of State for Mary Kiffmeyer, an Assistant Commissioner in the Carlson Administration and, for the past six years, a member of the Minnesota Chapter of The Nature Conservancy and chair of the board. He has a B.A. in botany from Drew University and a Master of Forestry from Duke University.

"Improving Minnesota's environmental quality is a priority for Governor Pawlenty," said Schroeder. "I am deeply committed to this goal and I am excited to serve the Governor and the people of Minnesota."

Schroeder lives in Minneapolis with his wife and children.

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PAWLENTY NAMES SANDY LAYMAN COMMISSIONER OF IRON RANGE RESOURCES & REHABILITATION AGENCY

--Layman's experience will help spur business growth, Governor says --

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today named Sandy Layman Commissioner of the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Agency (IRRRA).

“From Eveleth to International Falls, Sandy Layman will tackle the economic challenges of the Range with resolve and resourcefulness,” the Governor said.

During his first 100 days, Governor Pawlenty has made several trips to the Iron Range, including a forum in Hibbing to discuss his Job Opportunity Building Zone (JOBZ) proposal to spur business growth in Greater Minnesota. The Governor also discussed the timber industry in Grand Rapids and the taconite jobs in Keewatin.

“Job creation is a top priority of this administration,” said Pawlenty. “Sandy Layman’s experience will help us diversify the face of business on the Range. Mining, wood products and tourism will continue to be the backbone, but we also need new knowledge-based businesses.”

The IRRRA’s core mission is working with the private sector and other partners to help retain and create quality jobs. It achieves that goal through business and community development, retaining its mining and wood products base and other special initiatives.

Governor Pawlenty praised Layman’s 20 years of experience in organizational management, community leadership and economic development. Having been first appointed in 1999, Layman currently serves as a citizen member of the IRRRA. Layman is president of the Itasca Development Corporation and has served as president of the Grand Rapids Area Chamber of Commerce.

“The Iron Range has a number of issues on the front burner, chief among them, keeping people employed,” said Layman. “I intend to be a tireless advocate for workers on the Range. I appreciate the challenge before me and thank Governor Pawlenty for placing it in my hands with the opportunity to help move Minnesota’s economy forward.”

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Layman has a B.A. degree in organizational management and communications from Concordia University in St. Paul, MN. She lives in Grand Rapids with her husband and the couple has two adult children.

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PAWLENTY NAMES TIM MARX COMMISSIONER OF MINNESOTA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

--Marx's innovations will help Minnesotans achieve American dream, Governor says --

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today named Tim Marx Commissioner of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. Marx is a former Deputy Mayor of St. Paul.

“Tim Marx will help us tackle the affordable housing challenge facing this state with creativity and compassion” Governor Pawlenty said. “Owning a home is part of the American dream. But for society as a whole, good citizenship starts with a good, stable home life.”

The core mission of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA) is meeting Minnesotans' needs for decent, safe affordable housing and stronger communities. It achieves this by focusing on development and redevelopment programs, homeownership loan programs and the preservation of federally assisted housing, among other things. MHFA has nearly 200 employees and a biennial budget from the General Fund totaling \$100 million dollars.

Governor Pawlenty praised Marx experience as an attorney with an extensive background in housing issues. He is a former legislative counsel to state-wide housing, community development and public finance organizations. Marx also developed and implemented St. Paul's housing and development agenda. He has also provided legal advice and strategic consultation to foundations, nonprofit organizations, and business interests on housing and community development issues. As the Deputy Mayor of St. Paul, Marx led the way in consolidating departments and functions. He also introduced performance pay and benchmarking, enhanced non-tax revenue sources, and brought market competition to the delivery of public services.

“I am honored and humbled by Governor Pawlenty's appointment. The MHFA is an invaluable resource and a key part of a broad and diverse public/private partnership which works to provide decent, affordable housing for our state,” said Marx. “Regardless of the current fiscal challenges, this partnership is poised to be taken to the next level to make homeownership a reality for more Minnesotans.”

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Marx has a B.A. degree in government and economics from the Saint John's University. He earned his J.D. degree from the University of Minnesota Law School and his M.A. from the Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs. He lives in St. Paul with his wife and they have two children.

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GOVERNOR APPOINTS BRENER COMMISSIONER OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

Saint Paul — Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Scott Brener as the new commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry. Brener has served most recently as a Government and Regulatory Affairs' Consultant.

"Minnesota businesses and workers rely on this department to establish and ensure compliance with proper labor practices and standards," said Governor Pawlenty. "I am confident in Scott's experience and abilities in this area. He has worked within state government, as well as with private sector groups, to solve the very issues the department deals with on a daily basis."

The Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry promotes a safe and productive environment for Minnesota's workplaces. The department performs a variety of functions: overseeing the workers' compensation system for the state; focuses on preventing workplace accidents and illness through consultation and compliance efforts; certifies and monitors the state registered apprenticeship program; monitors compliance with labor laws; tests and licenses boiler and high-pressure piping workers and equipment; and inspects boats-for-hire. The department employs approximately 380 workers throughout the state.

Brener has served in a variety of roles in state government: he served as an Assistant Commissioner for the Department of Trade and Economic Development; the Deputy Direct of Cabinet Affairs for Governor Arne Carlson; the Deputy Commissioner of the Office of Technology; and the Assistant Commissioner and General Counsel for the Department of Labor and Industry. He also was the Director of Public Policy for Qwest/US West Communications. He has been a board member of the Citizens League, Jewish Vocational Services, Minnesota High Tech Association, and the Minnesota Telephone Association. He also serves as a Georgetown University Admissions Representative and a United Way Emerging Leader Representative.

"I share a deep-rooted affinity with the Department in terms of its personnel and its policies," Brener said. "I look forward to working as a member of the Pawlenty Administration to further the safety and protection of Minnesota's workers."

Brener lives in Edina with his wife, Maureen, and their son. He is a graduate of Georgetown University and Emory University School of Law.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS ELEVEN TO CAPITOL 2005 COMMISSION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Joseph O'Neill and the reappointment of Duane Benson, Joanne Benson, Cay Shea Hellervik, Hubert "Skip" Humphrey, III, John Labosky, George Latimer, Dr. Anita Pampusch, Len Price, Peter Rodosovich and Bill Sands to the Governor's State Capitol 2005 Commission.

Duane Benson, Lanesboro, is the executive director of the Minnesota Business Partnership and a former Minnesota State Senator.

Joanne Benson, White Bear Lake, is the chief executive officer of the Minnesota Business Academy in St. Paul and a former Minnesota Lieutenant Governor.

Hellervik, St. Paul, is vice president of Personnel Decisions, International.

Humphrey, Golden Valley, is a senior vice president with GCI Tunheim in Minneapolis and a former Minnesota Attorney General.

Labosky, Edina, is president and chief executive officer of the Capital City Partnership in St. Paul.

Latimer, St. Paul, is a professor of Urban Studies at Macalester College in St. Paul and a former mayor of St. Paul.

O'Neill, St. Paul, is an attorney and partner in the St. Paul law firm of O'Neill, Grills and O'Neill.

Pampusch, Roseville, is president of the Bush Foundation in St. Paul.

Price, Woodbury, is a retired teacher and a former Minnesota State Senator.

Rodosovich, New Brighton, is the executive director of the University Branch YMCA of Metropolitan Minneapolis and a former member of the Minnesota House of Representatives.

Sands, St. Paul, is the chairman of Western Bank and a former member of the Capitol Area Architectural and Planning Board. Sands will continue to chair the commission.

The Governor's State Capitol 2005 Commission was created by Executive Order 01-01 in 2001 to develop plans for the centennial celebration of the State Capitol in 2005. Governor Pawlenty reauthorized the Executive Order earlier this month. The commission consists of 15 members, including 11 appointed by the Governor and four appointed by the legislature.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FIVE TO BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE, ENGINEERING, LAND SURVEYING, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, GEOSCIENCE AND INTERIOR DESIGN

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment Billie Lawton and the reappointment of William Brown, Michael Kunz, James O'Brien and William Sutherland to the Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design. All five are appointed to four-year terms that expire on January 1, 2007.

Brown, of Shoreview, is the Hennepin County Surveyor. Brown, who has been a member of the board since October 2000, is reappointed as a representative of land surveyors.

Kunz, of Minneapolis, is a senior environmental geologist with Sebesta Blomberg and Associates in Minneapolis. Kunz, who has been a member of the board since May 1999, is reappointed as a representative of geoscientists.

Lawton, of Minneapolis, is a retired administrative faculty member with the University of Minnesota College of Liberal Arts and currently volunteers on a number of boards. Lawton replaces Lawrence Greenberg as a public member.

O'Brien, of New Brighton, is president of Williams/O'Brien, a private architectural firm in Minneapolis. O'Brien, who has been a member of the board since May 1999 and is currently its vice-chair, is reappointed as a representative of architects.

Sutherland, of Eden Prairie, is founder and president of MinnTech Engineering Consulting Engineers in Eden Prairie. Sutherland, who has been a member of the board since May 1999 and is currently its chair, is reappointed as a representative of engineers.

The Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design licenses and regulates architects, engineers, land surveyors, landscape architects, geoscientists and certifies interior designers. The board consists of 21 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS SCOTT HARRISON TO THE GREAT LAKES PROTECTION FUND

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of D. Scott Harrison to the Board of Directors of the Great Lakes Protection Fund.

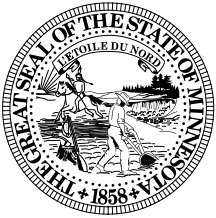
Harrison has been the owner and operator of the Lutsen Resort since 1988. Since 1981, he has also served as President of Frontier Financial Consulting Services, Inc. in Duluth. He has served on the Board of Directors of Northern Magnetic Resonance Imaging, L.P. since 1988.

From 1979-85, Harrison was a business faculty member of the University of Minnesota—Duluth. He has also served as Executive Director of Amicus, Inc., of Minneapolis, a privately financed social agency serving prison inmates.

Harrison received a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Political Science from Carleton College, and a Master's of Business Administration from the Cornell Graduate School of Business in Ithaca, New York. Scott and his wife Nancy reside in Lutsen. They are the parents of two adult sons.

The Great Lakes Protection Fund is a private, nonprofit corporation founded in 1989 by the Governors of the Great Lakes states (Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New York). It is a permanent environmental endowment that supports collaborative actions to improve the health of the Great Lakes ecosystem. The fund and its staff are headquartered in Evanston, Illinois. Each of the seven Great Lake Governors appoints two members to the Fund's fourteen-member board. Members serve at the pleasure of their Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS MINER AND RICE TO BOARD OF MPAAT

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Darcy Miner and Christine Rice to the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Partnership for Action Against Tobacco (MPAAT).

Darcy Miner, of Oakdale, is currently the Deputy Commissioner for the Minnesota Department of Health. Prior to joining the Health Department, she served for nine years as director of governmental relations at the Minnesota Department of Human Services. She also serves as a member of the Washington County Human Services Advisory Committee, and was a mediator for the State of Minnesota Workplace Mediation Program. Miner received a Bachelor's of Science degree from Georgetown University in Washington D.C. She and her husband are the parents of two children.

Christine Rice, of Woodbury, served as Deputy Commissioner for the Minnesota Department of Health from 1995-97. She has served on the MPAAT Board of Directors since 1998. She has also served on the Board of Directors of the Epilepsy Foundation of Minnesota from 1994-2003. In 1997, Governor Carlson appointed her to the Advisory Council of Community Based Planning. Rice received a Bachelor's of Arts in Speech/Communication from the University of Wisconsin—Eau Claire. Christine and her husband Daniel are the parents of three children.

The Minnesota Partnership for Action Against Tobacco is an independent, nonprofit organization dedicated to reducing the human and economic consequences of tobacco use in Minnesota. MPAAT was created in 1998 in Ramsey County District Court, and received \$202 million from the \$6.1 billion tobacco settlement. MPAAT funds research and smoking cessation activities. The board consists of nineteen members, including two appointed by the Governor.



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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FOUR TO AMATEUR SPORTS COMMISSION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Stuart Voigt and the reappointment of B. T. “Tom” Duffy, Judy Frisch and Howard “Chub” Stewart to the Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission. All four are appointed to three-year terms that expire on January 2, 2006.

Duffy, of Minneapolis, is director of corporate sales and marketing for the 3M Championship Champions PGA Tour event and retired from the IBM Corporation as the branch manager in sales and marketing for the upper Midwest after 34 years with the company. Duffy has been the chairman of the Amateur Sports Commission since 1991 and a member since its inception in 1987.

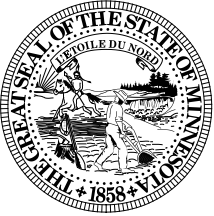
Frisch, of Moorhead, coordinated efforts for the Star of the North State Games when they have been held in Moorhead. She has volunteered in amateur athletics for over 25 years that have included Moorhead Youth Hockey Association committees and chairing United States Figure Skating Association events, for which she is currently Midwestern vice-chair of its national organization. Frisch has been a member of the commission since 2000.

Stewart, of Rochester, retired as a manager with the IBM Corporation in Rochester after 30 years with the company. He is past chairman of the Olmsted County Board of Commissioners, was the founding president of the Rochester Amateur Sports Commission and chaired the 1990 Star of the North State Games in Rochester. Stewart has been a member of the commission since 1991.

Voigt, of Apple Valley, is president of Ramco, a real estate management company. He played professional football for 11 seasons with the Minnesota Vikings and was a Vikings radio broadcaster for 20 years. Voigt is active with the Taste of the NFL, which provides hunger relief for youth, the NFL Alumni, Ataxia Foundation and the Make-a-Wish Foundation. Voigt replaces Deborah Watts on the commission.

The Minnesota Amateur Sports Commission supports the National Sports Center in Blaine, the amateur sports associations in the state and creates tourism through promoting amateur sports events, including the Star of the North State Games. The commission consists of 16 members, including 10 appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY REAPPOINTS LARSON TO OSHA REVIEW BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the reappointment of Steve Larson to the Occupational Safety and Health (OSHA) Review Board.

Larson, of New Brighton, is the mayor of New Brighton and president of the North Metro Mayors' Association. He also serves on the boards of directors of the I35W Coalition, the Association of Metropolitan Municipalities and the National League of Cities Public Safety Crime Prevention Steering Committee. Prior to his retirement, Larson had a professional background in engineering and as a small business owner. Larson, who has been a member of the board since October 2000, is reappointed as a public member for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

The Occupational Safety and Health Review Board reviews cases involving OSHA citations and proposed penalties. The board consists of three members appointed by the Governor, including a representative of labor, management and the public.

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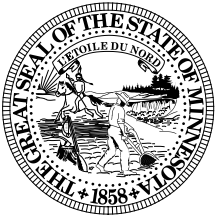
GOVERNOR PAWLENTY REAPPOINTS HANKERSON TO PETROFUND BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the reappointment of Jeanne Hankerson to the Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board (Petrofund Board).

Hankerson, of Owatonna, is vice president and staff counsel of home office claims with Federated Mutual Insurance Companies in Owatonna. She began working for Federated Insurance in 1984 in the claims department and later became the environmental coordinator prior to her current position working with all coverage litigation. Hankerson, who has been a member of the board since February 1995, is reappointed as a representative of the insurance industry for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

The Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board administers compensation from the petroleum tank release clean-up fund for cleanup of leaks and spills from storage tanks. The board consists of five members, including three appointed by the Governor; one representative of the petroleum industry, one representative of the insurance industry and one public member.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY NOMINATES TWENTY TO AFRICAN AMERICAN LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the nomination of twenty prominent African Americans to attend the African American Leadership Summit in Washington D.C. on May 13 and 14, 2003.

The twenty nominees are: Larry Alexander, Bob Battle, E. Mae Beecham, Peter Bell, Jerry Blakey, Barbara Butts Williams, Melvin Collins, Carlton Crawford, Bill Dooley, Paul Gaston, John Harrington, Norman Harrington, Clarence Hightower, Carl Jones, Ezell Jones, William Land, Ken Middlebrooks, Joseph Smith, Jr., Tyrone Terrill, and Denise Walker.

Larry Alexander is Principal at Alexander Business Strategies, Inc. He is also Founder and Director of MetroWorks, Inc., a nonprofit in St. Paul. Mr. Alexander is a Board Member of Summit Academy OIC.

Rev. Bob Battle is the founder and pastor of the Berean Church of God in Christ in St. Paul. He is also a former chair of the St. Paul Human Rights Commission. In 2002, he received the Urban League Community Service Award.

Dr. E. Mae Beecham is co-founder and co-pastor of Faith Tabernacle Gospel Church in Minneapolis. Previously, she was Student Advisor and Counselor at Hennepin Technical College. In 1995, Dr. Beecham co-founded Urban Hope Ministries.

Peter Bell is chairman of the Metropolitan Council. Previously he was Executive Vice President for Publishing and Educational Services at Hazelden. He also served as Executive Vice President for Corporate Community Relations at TCF Bank. He is currently a member of the University of Minnesota Board of Regents.

Jerry Blakey is a member of the St. Paul City Council. He also serves on the Housing and Redevelopment Authority, the Joint Property Tax Advisory Committee, and the Minnesota Landmark Board.

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Dr. Barbara Butts Williams is Director of the Masters of Business Administration (MBA) Program at Capella University. She currently serves as President of Metropolitan State University's Foundation Board. Dr. Butts Williams is also a former member of the Metropolitan Council.

Melvin Collins is Managing Director of INROADS/Minneapolis-St. Paul, Inc. Previously, he was New Business Advisor for Minnesota Mutual Life. Mr. Collins is also a member of the St. Paul Foundation Diversity Endowment Fund.

Carlton Crawford is Project Manager and Treasurer for C-Cubed Home Design in Minneapolis. He received a Master's of Architecture degree from the University of Minnesota. He served as a member of the Carleton College Council, and also served on the Carleton's Recreation Center Planning Committee.

Bill Dooley is Government Affairs Counsel at American Family Insurance Group in Eden Prairie. An attorney, he has been an American Family employee since 1975. Mr. Dooley also served as Secretary for the National African American Insurance Association.

Paul Gaston is Partner and Director of E.D.S., Inc., an injury management consulting service. He serves on the City Council for the City of Vadnais Heights. Mr. Gaston also chairs the board of Ramsey Action Programs, one of the largest community action agencies in Minnesota.

John Harrington is a Senior Commander in the St. Paul Police Department, supervising the department's Western District. He is also an Assistant Professor at Metropolitan State University in St. Paul. Mr. Harrington serves as Chair of the Minnesota Crime Victim Reparation Board.

Norman Harrington is the Development Officer of the Diversity Endowment Funds of The Saint Paul Foundation. Previously, he was a principal of The Carrot Company, a travel management, and meeting and event planning firm. He also serves as an instructor at the University of St. Thomas Center for Non-Profits.

Clarence Hightower is President/CEO of the Minneapolis Urban League. He also serves as chair of the Council of Agency Executives of the Greater Twin Cities United Way. Mr. Hightower is a member of the Minnesota State Colleges & Universities (MnSCU) Board of Trustees.

Carl Jones is an Independent Marketing Associate with Burdick & Associates LLC. An engineer, he concluded a successful career at IBM. Mr. Jones also served as President and CEO of the Phyllis Wheatley Community Center.

Ezell Jones is Chairman/CEO of Premier Network Service Group in Minneapolis. He is a past chair of the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Jones is also an executive board member of the National Association of Insurance Brokers.

Rev. William Land is Pastor of Saint Alban's Church of God in Christ. He has been an ordained minister since 1989. Among other projects, Pastor Land's ministry has founded a women's recovery support team.

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Ken Middlebrooks recently retired as Director of Information Systems, Production and Project Services at Land O'Lakes Corporation in Arden Hills. He is a member of the Children's Defense Fund. Mr. Middlebrooks is also an Emeritus member of the board of the Children's Home Society of Minnesota.

Joseph Smith, Jr. is founder and CEO of AB Moten Corporation. He is also Minneapolis Chapter President of the Full Gospel Businessmen Fellowship International. Mr. Smith serves on the International Board of Directors of the Jesus the Anointed One Church.

Tyrone Terrill is Director of the City of St. Paul Department of Human Rights. He is also Chair of the African American Leadership Council. Mr. Terrill is co-host of the weekly radio show: "Voices of the African American Community."

Rev. Denise Walker is founder and chairperson of Everlasting Light Ministries. She is also owner of New Classic Quilts in Brooklyn Center. A teacher, artist, and expert in African American quilting, Rev. Walker served on the board of the Textile Center of Minnesota.

Governor Pawlenty was asked by U.S. Senators Kay Bailey Hutchinson of Texas and Rick Santorum of Pennsylvania to nominate twenty leading Africans to attend the summit, which was organized as a national effort to create a policy-based dialogue between government leaders and African American leaders from communities across America.

Summit speakers will include members of Congress and representatives of the Bush administration. The summit will focus on proposals to create jobs, ensure economic growth, educate our children, strengthen families, provide quality health care, and protect our homeland.



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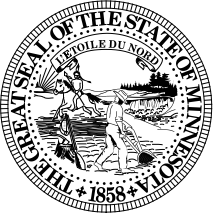
GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS HENNING TO IRRRB

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of William Henning to the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board (IRRRB).

Henning, of Ely, is the executive director of the Ely Area Development Association (EADA), where he has directed the agency's involvement in more than \$8 million in community and economic development since 1995. Henning, who holds an MBA from Louisiana Tech, replaces Patricia Ives as a citizen member for a two-year term that expires January 3, 2005.

The Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board considers expenditures for projects for rehabilitation in the taconite tax relief area (TTRA) of northeastern Minnesota. The Board consists of 13 members, including one citizen member appointed by the Governor. The Governor also appoints the commissioner of the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Agency (IRRRA).

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS BOLDUC TO PEACE OFFICER STANDARDS AND TRAINING BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Brainerd Police Chief John Bolduc to the Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training (POST Board).

Bolduc, of Fort Ripley, has been the chief of police for the city of Brainerd since 2001 and is also a law enforcement instructor at Hibbing Community College. He was the Mora Police Chief from 1998 to 2001 and held a number of positions with the Maple Grove Police Department from 1986 to 1998. Bolduc replaces former Hutchinson Police Chief Steve Madson as a representative of municipal police chiefs to complete a four-year term that expires on January 2, 2006.

The Board of Peace Officer Standards and Training establishes minimum qualifications and standards of conduct and regulates professional peace officer education and continuing education programs. The board consists of 15 members, including 14 appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO THE BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR NURSING HOME ADMINISTRATORS

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Chandra Mehrotra, and the reappointment of Robert Letich and Catherine Lloyd to the Board of Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators.

Robert Letich, of Plymouth, is currently the owner of Camden Care Center, a 44 bed skilled long term care facility, in Minneapolis. He has previously served as the CEO of the Augustana Home of Minneapolis, the state's largest nursing home campus. He also teaches health care management at the University of Minnesota. He is a licensed Nursing Home Administrator. He received a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Economics from St. Olaf College. He fulfills the board position for a manager, operator, or owner of a nursing home. He is reappointed for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. He was first appointed to the board in 1999.

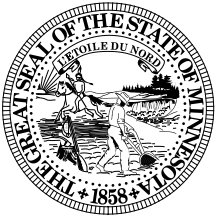
Catherine Lloyd, of Plymouth, is currently an elementary school nurse in Robbinsdale. She also works with nursing assistant students at Hennepin Technical College. She recently retired as Nurse Administrator and Director of Nursing at North Ridge Care Center in New Hope, a 559 bed facility. Prior to retirement from North Ridge Care Center, she was a licensed Nursing Home Administrator. She is currently a Registered Nurse. She received a Bachelor's of Science in Nursing degree from University of North Dakota. She fulfills the board position for a nurse. She is reappointed for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. She was first appointed to the board in 1992.

Chandra Mehrotra, of Duluth, is Dean of Special Projects and Professor of Psychology at the College of St. Scholastica in Duluth. He is former Chair of the Psychology Department and Dean of Graduate Studies. He serves on the Editorial Board of *Educational Gerontology*, and is a Consulting Editor for *Teaching of Psychology*. He has done extensive published research on the topic of aging. He is a licensed Consulting Psychologist. He received a Doctor of Philosophy degree in Psychology from Ohio State University. He fulfills the board position for a public member. He is appointed for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. He replaces board member Richard Sizer.

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The Board of Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators licenses nursing home administrators. The board investigates complaints, and has the authority to revoke and suspend licenses. The board also develops licensing standards, conducts license examinations, and authorizes continuing education requirements. The board consists of nine members appointed by the Governor, as well as ex-officio members from Minnesota's Department of Health and Department of Human Services.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of John Bengtson, and the reappointment of Ronald King and Gerald McCoy to the Board of Dentistry.

Dr. John Bengtson, of Fairfax, has been practicing dentistry in Fairfax since 1971. He also practiced in Winthrop from 1964-83. He has served as chairman of the Southern District Dental Society. He received the First Annual Distinguished Service Award from the Minnesota Dental Association in 1995. He is also the recipient of an award from the American Dental Association for his volunteer service as a dentist in Israel and Mexico. He is a graduate of the University of Minnesota Dental School. He is appointed as a dentist member of the board for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. He replaces Dr. Lewis Pierce on the board.

Dr. Ronald King, of Minneapolis, has been a dentist since 1972, and currently practices in St. Louis Park. He is a President of the Holistic Dental Association. He was a founding member of the Fulton Neighborhood Association, and is active in the National Ski Patrol. He is a graduate of the University of Minnesota Dental School, and was a part-time faculty member there from 1974-84. After dental school, he served as an officer in the U.S. Air Force. He is reappointed as a dentist member of the board for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. He was first appointed to the board in 1999. This is his second term on the board.

Dr. Gerald McCoy, of Eden Prairie, retired in 1996 after spending sixteen years as superintendent of the Eden Prairie School District. He also worked in Burnsville as a teacher and principal. He was the 1988-89 Minnesota Superintendent of the Year, and the 1997 Distinguished Alumnus of Minnesota State University-Mankato. He holds a doctorate in education from the University of Minnesota. He is reappointed as a public member of the board for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. He was first appointed to the board in 2002 to fill a vacant term.

The Board of Dentistry licenses dentists and dental hygienists, registers dental assistants, and establishes standards for continuing education. In addition, the board investigates complaints, and has the authority to revoke or suspend a license. The board consists of nine members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FOUR TO JOB SKILLS PARTNERSHIP BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Peggy Ann Anderholm, Larry Mareck, Sandra Peterson and Carrie Thomas to the Minnesota Job Skills Partnership Board of Directors.

Anderholm, of Warroad, is the director of training and development with Marvin Windows and Doors in Warroad. Anderholm is appointed as a business representative from the Governor's Workforce Development Council for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Mareck, of Albany, is a business representative of the Carpenters Union, president of the St. Cloud Building and Construction Trades Council and a member of the executive board of the State Building and Construction Trades Council. Mareck is appointed as a labor representative from the Governor's Workforce Development Council for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

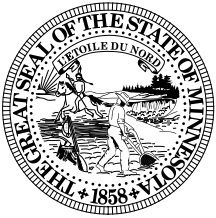
Peterson, of New Hope, is vice president of Education Minnesota, vice president of the American Federation of Teachers and vice president of Minnesota AFL-CIO. Peterson is appointed as a labor representative from the Governor's Workforce Development Council to complete a four-year term that expires on January 2, 2006.

Thomas, of St. Paul, is the director of policy research and advocacy with the JOBS NOW Coalition in St. Paul. Thomas is appointed as a representative of a non-profit organization that provides workforce development or job training services to complete a four-year term that expires on January 2, 2006.

Governor Pawlenty also appointed Minnesota Department of Trade and Economic Development (DTED) Commissioner Matt Kramer chairman of the Job Skills Partnership Board. Kramer is a member of the board by virtue of being commissioner of DTED.

The Minnesota Job Skills Partnership Board brings together employers with specific training needs with educational or other non-profit institutions which can design programs to meet those needs. The board consists of 13 members, including seven appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO THE MINNESOTA VETERANS HOMES BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointments of Lawrence Greenberg and Dan Williams to the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Veterans Homes. Governor Pawlenty also named current board member Dr. Frank Budd chairman of the board.

Frank Budd, of Duluth, retired as an orthopaedic surgeon in 1997. A physician since 1960, Budd is board certified by the American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery and is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons. He completed a fellowship in reconstructive hip and knee surgery at New England Baptist Hospital in Boston, Massachusetts. He served on active duty as a surgeon in the U.S. Navy from 1961-1971, including duty in Vietnam from 1968-69. He also served in the Naval Reserve from 1974-1992, retiring as a Captain. Budd received a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Biology and Chemistry from Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio, and a Doctor of Medicine degree from the Indiana University School of Medicine. He is a current member of the board. Budd will continue to serve his current term, which expires on January 2, 2006. He replaces Wayne Sletten as the chairman of the board.

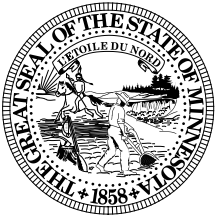
Lawrence Greenberg, of St. Louis Park, is a retired Certified Public Accountant. He was a Partner at Coopers Lybrand (now Price Waterhouse Coopers) until his retirement in 1987. Since 1987, he has worked as the president of a computer manufacturing company, as vice president and part owner of a community bank, and as a management and financial consultant. He served as a member of the state's Board of Accountancy from 1986-94, including chairman of the board from 1993-94. He also served as a member of the state's Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience & Interior Design from 1994-2002. He served in the U.S. Navy on active duty from 1944-46. Greenberg received a Bachelor's of Business Administration degree from the University of Minnesota. He is appointed to a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. He replaces Wayne Sletten as a public member on the board.

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Dan Williams, of Vadnais Heights, has been President and CEO of Masters, Williams and Associates, an information technology consulting firm, since 2002. From 2001-02, he was North American Vice President at ASP Consulting, an international consulting firm headquartered in Vienna, Austria. He is also an ordained minister and the founder of Grace Resurrection Ministries. In 2003, President George W. Bush appointed Williams to the Board of Directors of the Federal Home Loan Bank. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Institute of Public Health. Williams is a former member of the Board of Directors of the Ramsey Action Programs (RAP), and had served as chairman of their operations committee. He served in the U.S. Navy on active duty from 1971-74. He attended Minneapolis Community and Technical College, Mankato State University, and Augsburg College with a major in Management Information Systems. Williams is appointed to a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. He replaces George Ross as a public member on the board.

The Board of Directors of the Minnesota Veterans Homes oversees management of Minnesota's five state-run veterans homes. The homes are located in Minneapolis, Hastings, Silver Bay, Luverne, and Fergus Falls. The Homes provide over 900 beds to qualifying veterans and their spouses. The board is made up of nine members appointed by the Governor, and up to three ex-officio members. The board's website is www.mvh.state.mn.us.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE REHABILITATION COUNCIL FOR THE BLIND

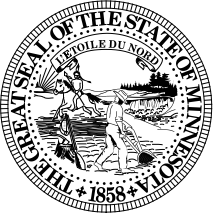
Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Elizabeth Bruber, and the reappointment of Roderic Haworth to the Rehabilitation Council for the Blind.

Elizabeth Bruber, of St. Paul, is currently the owner and President of Furniture Associates, Inc., a wholesale furniture sales business in Minneapolis. She is the mother of a seventeen year old visually impaired son. She is an active volunteer with the St. Paul Schools and with the Highland Park Booster Club Parent's Group. She received a Bachelor's of Arts degree in History from the University of Minnesota. She fulfills the Council position held by the representative of someone who is blind, has multiple disabilities, and has difficulty representing him or herself. She is appointed for a three-year term that expires on January 2, 2006. She replaces JoAnne Hacker on the Council.

Roderic Haworth, of Apple Valley, is currently an International Union Representative at the United Auto Workers (UAW) in Bloomington. He had previously served as President of the UAW Local 879 in St. Paul. He is currently a member of the Governor's Workforce Development Council, and has previously served as an Executive Board Member of the Twin Cities Labor Management Council. He received a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Organizational Management and Communications from Concordia College. In 1996, he retired from the Minnesota Army National Guard as a Colonel. He fulfills the Council position held by a member of the Governor's Workforce Development Council. He is reappointed for a three-year term that expires on January 2, 2006. He was first appointed to the Council in 2000. He was recently elected as Chairman of the Council.

The Rehabilitation Council for the Blind gives advice and recommendations to the Minnesota Commissioner of Economic Security and the State Services for the Blind concerning products and services for the blind. The Council consists of fifteen members appointed by the Governor, as well as an ex-officio member from the State Services for the Blind.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FIVE TO JUVENILE JUSTICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Peter Aurich, Scott Ferguson, Richard Gardell and Reno Wells and the reappointment of Anne Christensen to the Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee (JJAC).

Aurich, of Woodbury, is a development outreach coordinator with the Center of the American Experiment. Aurich replaces Sarah Anderson as a youth member to complete a four-year term that expires on January 5, 2004.

Christensen, of Madelia, is the Watonwan County Court Administrator and was recently elected secretary/treasurer of the National Coalition for Juvenile Justice. Christensen, who has been a member of the JJAC since 1996, is reappointed to another four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Ferguson, of Alexandria, is an undergraduate student at the University of Minnesota and is involved in a number of student and community organizations. Ferguson replaces Rachel Larson as a youth member for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

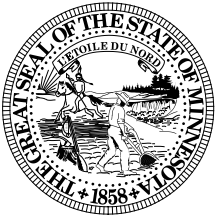
Gardell, of St. Paul, is an assistant St. Paul Police Chief and previously served on the JJAC, during which time he was elected national chairman (in 1988) of the Coalition for Juvenile Justice. Gardell replaces Gary Johnson as a representative of law enforcement for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Wells, of Hackensack, is the director of probation and a Cass County probation officer. He is also an elected township supervisor for Turtle Lake and is currently chairman of the town board. Wells replaces Barbara Swanson on the JJAC for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. He will hold the position for a representative of local-elected officials on the committee.

In addition, Governor Pawlenty appointed Michael Mayer chairman of the JJAC. Mayer, of Eagan, is an attorney with the Eagan law firm of Grannis and Hauge. He is currently vice chair of the committee and has been a member of JJAC since 1995. Mayer replaces Swanson as chair.

The Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee awards grants and carries out the state plan of the federal Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act. The committee consists of 18 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FOUR TO THE BOARD OF TEACHING

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Lindsey Cartwright, Deirdre Bird Kramer, Stuart Lade, and Heather Lindstrom to the Board of Teaching.

Lindsey Cartwright, of Windom, is a Sixth Grade Science Teacher at Windom Public Schools. He has taught in Windom since 1980. He also coaches junior high baseball and is the director of the middle school play. He is a member of the Windom Planning and Zoning Commission, and is also a licensed building contractor. Cartwright received a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Psychology from Hamline University and a Master's of Science degree in Educational Administration from Mankato State University. He holds a current Minnesota teaching license. He is appointed to a four-year term for a classroom teacher. Cartwright's term expires on January 1, 2007, and he replaces Douglas Frisk on the Board.

Deirdre Bird Kramer, of Stillwater, is the Dean of the Hamline University Graduate School of Education. She has worked at Hamline since 1984, where she focused on the teacher accreditation process and creating innovative professional development for teachers. She began her career teaching as a English as a Foreign Language teacher in Tehran, Iran. Kramer received a Bachelor's of Science degree in Spanish and Secondary Education from the University of Tulsa, and a Master's of Arts degree in English as a Second Language from the University of Minnesota. She is appointed to a four-year term for a representative of higher education. Kramer's term expires on January 1, 2007, and she replaces Walter Roberts on the Board.

Stuart Lade, of Brainerd, is Advanced Placement History Teacher at Brainerd High School. He has taught in Brainerd since 1979. Every summer he trains future Advanced Placement teachers at locations throughout the nation. Lade received a Bachelor's of Arts degree in English, Social Studies, and American Studies from Bemidji State University and a Master's of Arts degree in American History and Political Science from the University of North Dakota. He served in the United States Marine Corps, and is a Vietnam Veteran. He holds a current Minnesota teaching license. He is appointed to a four-year term for a classroom teacher. Lade's term expires on January 1, 2007, and he replaces Rhoda Miller-Stroud on the Board.

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Heather Lindstrom, of Red Wing, is a Special Education Teacher at Red Wing Correctional Facility, which is part of the Department of Corrections School District. She has taught in Red Wing since 1999. She was a teacher at Armstrong High School in Plymouth from 1996-98. She previously served on the Board of Directors for the Minnesota Association for Children's Mental Health. Lindstrom received a Bachelor's of Science degree in Secondary Education and Social Studies and a Master's of Science degree in Chemical Dependency Studies from Mankato State University. She holds a current Minnesota teaching license. She is appointed to a four-year term for a classroom teacher. Lindstrom's term expires on January 1, 2007, and she replaces Franesca Vega-Taylor on the Board.

The Board of Teaching establishes rules governing the licensing of public school teachers and the accreditation of teacher education programs. The Board also establishes a code of ethics for teachers and has the authority to suspend or revoke a teaching license. The board is made up of eleven members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FOUR TO THE COUNCIL ON AFFAIRS OF CHICANO/LATINO PEOPLE

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Teresa Dawson, Juan Lazo, Omar Salas, and Heladio Zavala to the Council on Affairs of Chicano/Latino People.

M. Teresa Dawson, of Duluth, has been the librarian/media specialist at the Marshall School in Duluth since 1996. At the Marshall School, she is on the Diversity Committee. Dawson is a member of the Adelante Cultural Center in Duluth, where she helps bring Hispanic culture to Duluth students. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology from the College of St. Benedict, and a Master's of Arts degree in Information Media from St. Cloud State University. Dawson was born in Trujillo, Peru. She is appointed to a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. Dawson serves as the member from the Eighth Congressional District and replaces Ricardo Acevedo on the Council.

Juan Lazo, of Grand Rapids, has been the CEO and owner of Treasure Bay Companies Inc. in Grand Rapids since 1978. Treasure Bay consists of Treasure Bay Printing, Arrow Sports Embroidery and Screen Printing, and Photo Express One Hour Photo and Portrait Studio. From 1996-2001, he served as Mayor of Grand Rapids. Lazo also served two terms as a City Councilman. He attended Itasca Community College. Lazo was born in Chiclayo, Peru, and first came to Grand Rapids as a high school exchange student. He is appointed to a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. Lazo serves as an At-Large member and replaces Sally Anaya-Boyer on the Council.

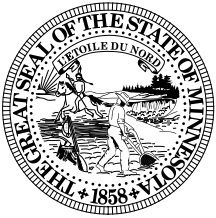
Omar Salas, of Cottage Grove, is a human resources/marketing consultant. He previously served as Talent Resource Manager at Cargill, Inc. in Minneapolis, as Co-Founder/Director of Business Development at Diversity Village, Inc. in St. Paul, and as Vice President of Hire-Power.com in St. Paul. Salas is a member of Rivercentre Diversity Marketing Committee. He received a Bachelor's of Science degree in Recreation and Sports Management from the University of Minnesota, where he was a member of the University's football team. Salas was born in Minnesota of Bolivian parents. He is appointed to a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. Salas serves as the member from the Second Congressional District and replaces Vicki Oliva on the Council.

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Heladio Zavala, of Sartell, has been State Director of the United Migrant Opportunity Services in St. Cloud since 1997. He also serves as a consultant to two national organizations: the National Farmworker Alliance, and MAFO, which is a National Partnership of Farmworker Organizations. Zavala previously served as Executive Director of the Minnesota Migrant Council. He attended Moorhead State University with majors in Spanish and Social Work. Zavala was born in Texas. He is appointed to a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. Zavala serves as the member from the Sixth Congressional District and is reappointed to a second term on the Council. He currently serves as the Council's Chairman.

The Council on Affairs of Chicano/Latino People advises the Governor and Legislature on the issues of importance to Minnesota's Chicano/Latino community. The Council also serves as a liaison between the Hispanic community and local, state and federal government. The board is made up of eleven members appointed by the Governor, as well as two members each from the State Senate and State House of Representatives.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS SEVEN TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES REGULATORY BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of James Aagenes, Robert Carlson, Megan Hartigan, Dr. Mark Lindquist, Jon Linnell, Donald Otte, and Michael Parrish to the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Regulatory Board.

Aagenes, of Fosston, is the chief of the Fosston Fire Department. He is also an EMS manager with First Care Medical Services in Fosston, the deputy Polk County medical examiner, an executive board member and treasurer of Greater Northwest EMS, the Northwest Region Representative to the Minnesota Ambulance Association, and an EMT, CPR, and first responder instructor for the northwest region. Aagenes replaces Martin Scheerer as a representative of fire chiefs for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Carlson, of Maple Grove, is the principal planning analyst with the Hennepin County Community Health Department EMS Unit and is vice-chairman of the Metro Region EMS Program. Carlson replaces Theresa Gisch, who resigned, as a representative of the Metro Region EMS Program to complete a four-year term that expires on January 5, 2004.

Hartigan, of Monticello, is the operations supervisor, flight nurse and paramedic with Life Link III in St. Cloud. She has been a state and nationally registered paramedic since 1978. Hartigan replaces Steven Nesseth as a representative of paramedics for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Lindquist, M.D., of Detroit Lakes, is a full-time ER physician and the EMS medical director in Detroit Lakes, the medical director for the West Central EMS and a member of the National Association of EMS Physicians. Lindquist replaces Dr. Michael Wilcox as a representative of family practice physicians for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Linnell, of Warren, is the administrator and CEO of North Valley Health Center and a 29-year EMT. He is chairman of the Greater Northwest EMS, president of the Warren Volunteer Ambulance Service, chairman of the Region I Minnesota Hospital Association and vice-chairman of the North Region Health Alliance. Linnell replaces Betsy Wergin, who resigned, as a representative of a regional EMS program to complete a four-year term that expires on January 2, 2006.

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Otte, of Sauk Centre, is a member of the Stearns County Human Services Board and the Central Minnesota EMS Region Board. Otte replaces John Baerg as a representative of a local board of health for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Parrish, of Isanti, is the director of operations of North Memorial Medical Transportation with North Memorial Medical Center. He is the alternate director of the Minnesota Ambulance Association and an associate faculty with St. Thomas' mini-MBA in EMS management program. Parrish, whom Governor Pawlenty also designated chairman of the EMS Regulatory Board, replaces John Prondzinski as a representative of Minnesota hospitals for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

The Emergency Medical Services Regulatory Board makes recommendations on improving access, delivery and effectiveness of the state's EMS delivery system and establishes procedures for investigating, hearing and resolving complaints against EMS providers. The board consists of 19 members, including 15 appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO THE MINNESOTA STATE ARTS BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Sarah Caruso, Diana Lewis, and Edward Oliver to the Minnesota State Arts Board.

Sarah Caruso, of Hopkins, is a strategic planning and marketing consultant at Northampton Partners, a firm she founded in 1999. She was employed at General Mills in Golden Valley from 1986-99, where she managed large consumer brands, including Wheaties and Cheerios. Caruso previously served on the Board of the Children's Theatre Company in Minneapolis, and as Chair of the Board of the PACER Center, a nonprofit organization serving the needs of children and families with disabilities. Caruso received a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Economics from Smith College in Massachusetts, and a Master's of Business Administration degree from Stanford University. She is appointed to a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. Caruso serves as an At-Large member and replaces Penelope Haru Snipper on the Board.

Diana Lewis, of Sunfish Lake, has been employed at Ecolab, Inc. in St. Paul since 1988. She is currently the Senior Vice President for Human Resources. From 1968-1988, Lewis was employed at the Pillsbury Corporation in Minneapolis. She has served on the Board of Directors for the St. Paul Chamber Orchestra, the McPhail School of Music, the Metropolitan State University Foundation, and the Minneapolis YWCA. Lewis received a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Math and Business from the University of Minnesota. She is appointed to a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. Lewis serves as the member from the Second Congressional District and replaces Benjamin Vander Kooi on the Board.

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Edward Oliver, of Deephaven, served in the State Senate from 1993-2003, representing the Lake Minnetonka area. He was instrumental in the cooperative effort to create the Minnetonka Center for the Arts. Oliver and his wife Charty have been active members and participants in several community art organizations. Some of Oliver's past community involvement includes work with the Minnesota Opera, Art on the Lake, the United Way, and the Boys and Girls Club of the Twin Cities. In April 2003, Governor Pawlenty appointed Oliver to represent Minnesota on the Great Lakes Commission. He is the owner of Oliver Financial. He received a Bachelor's degree in Economics from the University of Minnesota. Oliver is also a veteran of the United States Air Force. He is appointed to a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007. Oliver serves as an At-Large member and replaces Sara Perlman Barrow on the Board.

The Minnesota State Arts Board attempts to enrich the quality of life in Minnesota by making the arts accessible to all citizens, nurturing creative activities, encouraging the development of innovative forms of artistic expression, and preserving the State's diverse artistic heritage. The Board provides grants and services to individual artists, arts organizations, schools, colleges and universities, communities, and other organizations that sponsor arts activities. The Board is made up of eleven members appointed by the Governor.

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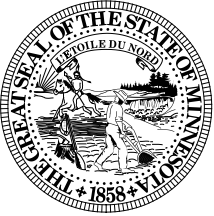
GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS IVES TO BOARD OF ARCHITECTURE, ENGINEERING, LAND SURVEYING, LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE, GEOSCIENCE AND INTERIOR DESIGN

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Mary Ives to the Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design.

Ives, of Grand Rapids, is a self-employed business owner in the housing, commercial development and lodging industry. She serves on numerous civic and community boards, and was elected member of the Itasca County Board of Commissioners. Ives replaces Shirley Latts, who resigned, to complete a four-year term that expires on January 3, 2005.

The Board of Architecture, Engineering, Land Surveying, Landscape Architecture, Geoscience and Interior Design licenses and regulates architects, engineers, land surveyors, landscape architects, geoscientists and certifies interior designers. The board consists of 21 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO BOARD OF INVENTION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the reappointment of William Baker and the appointment of Erick Lewis and Milton Toratti to the Board of Invention. All three are appointed to four-year terms that expire on January 1, 2007.

Baker, of Stillwater, has been the director and an advisor to the Inventors' Network of Minneapolis/St. Paul and is an elected member of the National Board of United Inventors Association. Baker, who is a charter member of the Board of Invention, is reappointed to his third four-year term as a resident of the Sixth Congressional District.

Lewis, of St. Louis Park, is president and CEO of E.L. Lewis Enterprises, Inc. His inventions have included audio thin ice warning signs and deer-alert motion detector road signs. Lewis replaces Terry Hitchcock as an at-large member.

Toratti, of Mankato, is the master facilitator for the Riverbend Center for Enterprise Facilitation. Toratti, who previously served on the Board of Invention, replaces Julianne Ortman as an at-large member.

The Board of Invention encourages the creation, performance and appreciation of invention in the state. The board consists of 11 members appointed by the Governor including one from each congressional district and three at-large.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS NINE TO THE MINNESOTA FOREST RESOURCES COUNCIL

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Alfred Sullivan, Wayne Brandt, Kathryn Fernholz, Shaun Hamilton, Robert Oswald, David Parent, Shawn Perich, and Richard Walsh to the Minnesota Forest Resources Council. Governor Pawlenty had previously designated Michael Carroll as the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources representative on the council. Dr. Sullivan was appointed as the council's chairman. All members are appointed to four-year terms that expire on January 1, 2007.

Alfred Sullivan, of New Brighton, is Vice Provost for Academic Programs and Facilities at the University of Minnesota. He previously served as Dean of the College of Natural Resources at the University, and as chairman of the Minnesota Forest Resources Research Advisory Committee. He currently serves as a Trustee at the Wilderness Research Foundation. Dr. Sullivan is appointed as chairman of the council and replaces Gene Merriam.

Wayne Brandt, of Duluth, is Executive Vice President of the Minnesota Forest Industries. He also serves as Executive Director of the Minnesota Timber Producers Association. He is a current member of the council and was first appointed in 1997. Mr. Brandt is reappointed as the member representing the forest products industry.

Kathryn Fernholz, of Minneapolis, is a forester at the Community Forestry Resource Center of the Institute for Agriculture and Trade Policy. She is also a member of numerous environmental organizations, including: the Audubon Society, the Nature Conservancy, the World Wildlife Fund, and the National Wildlife Federation. Ms. Fernholz is appointed as a member representing an environmental organization and replaces Betsy Daub.

Shaun Hamilton, of New Hope, is Senior Project Manager and Director of the Northwoods Initiative at the Trust for Public Land. He previously worked for the Washington State Department of Natural Resources, the Nature Conservancy, the U.S. Department of the Interior, and the U.S. Peace Corps. Mr. Hamilton is appointed as the member representing a conservation organization and replaces Ron Nargang.

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Robert Oswald, of Scanlon, is a Vice President of the Minnesota AFL-CIO. He also serves as President of the Carlton County Central Labor Body. He has worked in a paper mill for the past 29 years and is a member of the PACE Local 7-63. He is a current member of the council and was first appointed in 1995. Mr. Oswald is reappointed as the member representing a labor organization.

David Parent, of Andover, is the owner of over 600 acres of non-industrial private forestland. He also owns a real estate appraisal service. He previously served 23 years in the U.S. Army. He is a past Vice President of the Minnesota Forestry Association. He is a current member of the council and was first appointed in 1999. Mr. Parent is reappointed as the member who is the owner of 40 or more acres of non-industrial, private forest land.

Shawn Perich, or Hovland, is a freelance writer specializing in conservation and the outdoors. He is field editor and columnist for Minnesota Outdoor News, and a columnist and contributor for the Cook County News-Herald. He is a current member of the council and was first appointed in 1999. Mr. Perich is reappointed as the member representing a game species management organization.

Richard Walsh, of Park Rapids, is an owner of Dick Walsh Forest Products, LLP, an independent logging contractor. He is also the owner and CEO of Forest Equipment Sales and Service, Inc. He previously served as President of the Minnesota Timber Producers Association, and as Chairman of the Minnesota Logger Education Project. Mr. Walsh is appointed as the member representing commercial logging contractors and replaces Rich Holm.

Michael Carroll, of Park Rapids, is the Director of the Division of Forestry at the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources. He is also the Minnesota State Forester. On May 16, 2003, Governor Pawlenty designated Carroll as the member representing the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources on the council, replacing Brad Moore.

The Minnesota Forest Resources Council develops recommendations to the Governor and to federal, state, county and local governments with respect to forest resource policies and practices that result in the sustainable management, use, and protection of the state's forest resources. The council consists of 17 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR NAMES MICHAEL CAMPION COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC SAFETY

~ Champion brings more than 30 years of public safety experience to the job ~

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today named Michael Campion as Commissioner of the Department of Public Safety. Campion, who is currently serving as acting commissioner of the department, brings to the job 32 years of experience at the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension (BCA). Rising through the ranks from special agent to Superintendent of the BCA, Campion gained in-depth knowledge of the Department and acquired the necessary experience to enhance public safety in Minnesota.

“Michael Campion is the ideal person to ensure Minnesota’s public safety is top-notch,” said Governor Pawlenty. “His extensive work in with the BCA allowed him to gain valuable experience in safety issues ranging from white collar crime to law enforcement training. I am confident he will serve Minnesota well.”

The Department of Public Safety has an annual budget of about \$585 million and employs 1,941 people. Since the events of September 11, 2001, the department has taken on the role of Minnesota’s Office of Homeland Security and oversees the coordination of preparedness and response plans. The Department of Public Safety’s core functions also include serving federal, state and local criminal justice agencies, fire service agencies, emergency management, and licensing and inspection agencies.

In addition to his investigative and management experience with the BCA, Campion has been active in a number of professional law enforcement associations. He is the former president of the BCA Agents’ Association, former chair of the National Association of State Criminal Investigative Agencies and current chair of the Minnesota Board of Private Detectives and Protective Agents.

“The Minnesota Department of Public Safety must work hard to meet the increased challenges we face as a state, nation and world,” said Campion. “I will do my best to ensure Minnesota remains a nation-leader in public safety, and I look forward to serving on Governor Pawlenty’s team.”

Campion earned a master's degree in Education and a bachelor's degree in Sociology from St. Thomas College. He and his wife Katherine have three adult children.



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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE MINNESOTA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD

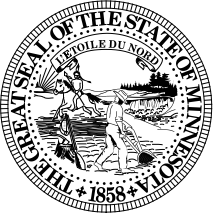
Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Jonathon Bloomberg and Susan McCarville to the Minnesota Environmental Quality Board. Both were appointed to three-year terms that expire on January 2, 2006.

Jonathon Bloomberg, of Mahtomedi, is an attorney at Bloomberg & Podpeskar LLP, where he practices environmental law. He previously worked as a Partner and Chair of the Environmental Practice Group at the Oppenheimer, Wolff & Donnelly law firm. He currently serves as an Adjunct Professor at the University of St. Thomas School of Law. He received a B.S. in Economics from the University of Minnesota, and a J.D. from Cornell Law School in Ithaca, New York. Bloomberg is appointed as a public member of the board.

Susan McCarville, of Hopkins, is currently a secretary for the City of Eden Prairie. She is also an owner of Mac's Liquor Store in Hopkins. She has served in numerous church, school, and community organizations, including the West Suburban Jr. Kodiaks Hockey, the Hopkins Raspberry Festival, Benilde St. Margaret's School, John Ireland Parochial School, and the Hopkins Little League. She is a graduate of the Brown Institute in Radio Broadcasting and Engineering. McCarville is appointed as a public member of the board.

The Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB) helps coordinate the actions of the major state agencies, and is charged with providing the Governor and the Legislature tools to address environmental issues that do not fit under the other state environmental agencies. The board consists of 16 members, including five public members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the reappointment of Lee Himle and Marina Lyon to the Housing Finance Agency. Both are appointed to public member positions for four-year terms that expire on January 1, 2007.

Himle, of Spring Valley, has been the owner of the Himle Insurance Agency since 1974. Himle has been a member of the Housing Finance Agency since 1996.

Lyon, of St. Paul, is vice president of public affairs for the Pohlads Companies in Minneapolis. Lyon has been a member of the Housing Finance Agency since 2000.

The Housing Finance Agency provides housing for low and moderate-income persons. The agency consists of seven members, including five public members appointed by the Governor.

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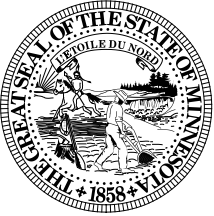
GOVERNOR PAWLENTY REAPPOINTS SMAYLING TO MERIT SYSTEM COUNCIL

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the reappointment of Miles Smayling, Ph.D., to the Merit System Council.

Smayling, of Mankato, is the chairman and a faculty member of the Department of Management at Minnesota State University, Mankato. Smayling, who has been a member of the Merit System Council since 1991 and chairman since 1993, is appointed to another three-year term that expires on January 2, 2006.

The Merit System Council hears personnel appeals, sets policy for administration of examinations, reviews classification and compensation plans and proposed rule changes. The council consists of three members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO MIDWEST INTERSTATE PASSENGER RAIL COMMISSION

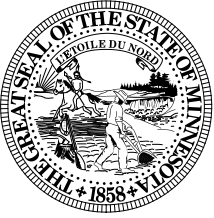
Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Lieutenant Governor Carol Molnau and John Eckerman to the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Commission. Both are appointed to four-year terms that expire on January 1, 2007.

Molnau, the Lieutenant Governor of Minnesota, is also the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Transportation and will serve as the Governor's designee on the Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Commission.

Eckerman, of Rochester, is the director of government affairs for the Rochester Area Chamber of Commerce. Eckerman replaces James Talen as a member of the private sector.

The Midwest Interstate Passenger Rail Commission is a compact of 12 Midwestern states created to promote development and implementation of improvements to intercity passenger rail, and of long range plans for high-speed rail passenger service in the Midwest and among other regions of the U.S. and coordinate interaction among Midwestern state elected officials. Membership from each state includes the Governor or the Governor's designee; one member of the private sector appointed by the Governor; one Senator; and one member of the House of Representatives.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO INVESTMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Frank Ahrens, II, Heather Johnston and Judge Kenneth Maas to the Investment Advisory Council. All three are appointed to four-year terms that expire on January 1, 2007.

Ahrens, of Mound, is the director of the Office of Fiscal and Administrative Services with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety. Ahrens replaces Han Chin Liu as a public employee member.

Johnston, of Inver Grove Heights, is a senior executive budget officer in the Budget Services Division of the Minnesota Department of Finance. Johnston replaces Mary Stanton as a public employee member.

Maas, of Birchwood Village, retired last year after serving as a district court judge in the Tenth Judicial District for over 22 years. Maas replaces Elaine Voss as a retiree member.

The Investment Advisory Council advises the State Board of Investment on policy relating to investments of state funds. The council consists of 17 members, including three appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO THE MIDWESTERN HIGHER EDUCATION COMMISSION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of William Hogan, David Laird, and James McCormick to the Midwestern Higher Education Commission.

William Hogan is Chief Executive Officer of the Hogan Company, an investment firm. He is also a member of the University of Minnesota Board of Regents. He replaces Robert Bruininks on the Commission, and is appointed to a term ending January 3, 2005.

David Laird is President and Chief Executive Officer at the Minnesota Private College Council, Fund, Research Foundation and Partners for Education Opportunity. He is reappointed to another four-year term, ending January 1, 2007. He serves as the Governor's designee on the Commission.

James McCormick is the Chancellor of Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU). He is reappointed to another four-year term, ending January 1, 2007. He serves as the member representing the field of higher education.

The Midwestern Higher Education Commission is a nonprofit regional organization established by interstate compact and devoted to achieving greater cost effectiveness in higher education. The Commission serves 853 public and private nonprofit colleges, universities, community colleges, and technical colleges in ten member states. The Commission is made up of five members from each state, including three gubernatorial appointees, one State Senator, and one State Representative.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FOUR TO BOARD OF ACCOUNTANCY

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Robert Hyde, Jacqueline Pausch, and Mary Lynn Widseth and the reappointment of Roger Reinhart to the Board of Accountancy. All four are appointed to four-year terms that expire on January 1, 2007.

Hyde, of Plymouth, is an audit director with Deloitte and Touche in Minneapolis. He has been a CPA for 30 years. Hyde replaces Margaret Holahan as a representative of certified public accountants.

Pausch, of Detroit Lakes, is a freelance business developer for small businesses and has a background in sales. Pausch replaces Thomas Coulter as a public member.

Reinhart, of Burnsville, is a certified public accountant in private practice with 35 years of experience. Reinhart, who is currently chair of the board, is reappointed to his second four-year term as a representative of certified public accountants.

Widseth, of McGregor, has a background in vocational rehabilitation and is active in the McGregor community. Widseth replaces J. R. Relick as a public member.

The Board of Accountancy examines, licenses and regulates certified public accountants. The board consists of nine members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO BOARD OF ELECTRICITY

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Daniel Klein and Lori Marker and the reappointment of Thomas Seanger to the Board of Electricity. All three are appointed to four-year terms that expire on January 1, 2007.

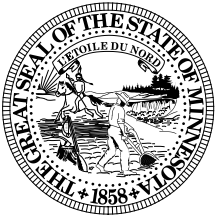
Klein, of Cold Spring, has been a journeyman electrician for 15 years and has experience in industrial, commercial, agricultural and residential construction. Klein replaces Anthony Toft as a representative of journeyman electricians.

Marker, of Minneapolis, has a bachelor of science degree in urban studies from the University of Minnesota. Marker replaces Steven Billings as a public member.

Seanger, of Melrose, owns Melrose Electric, and has held a class “A” master electrician’s license for over 30 years. Seanger, who is currently president of the board, is reappointed to his second four-year term as a representative of master electricians.

The Board of Electricity licenses electricians and inspects all new electrical installations in any construction, remodeling, replacement or repair. The board consists of 11 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE BOARD OF MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPY

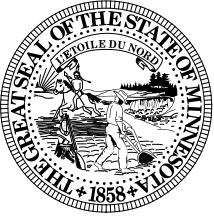
Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of E. Mae Beecham and Manijeh Daneshpour to the Board of Marriage and Family Therapy

E. Mae Beecham, of Brooklyn Park, is co-founder and co-pastor of the Faith Tabernacle Gospel Church in Minneapolis. An ordained minister, she is also co-founder of Urban Hope Ministries, Inc., a family and children's service. Dr. Beecham previously worked as Student Advisor and Counselor at Hennepin Technical College. She holds a Ph.D. from the Jacksonville Theological Seminary in Jacksonville, Florida. Dr. Beecham fills a board position for a public member. She will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She replaces Marlene Reid on the board.

Manijeh Daneshpour, of Maple Grove, is Associate Professor and Director of the Marriage and Family Therapy Program at St. Cloud State University. A licensed marriage and family therapist since 1996, Dr. Daneshpour also works as a therapist in private practice in Bloomington. She holds a Ph.D. in Family Social Science from the University of Minnesota. Dr. Daneshpour fills a board position for a marriage and family therapist. She will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She replaces Matthew Eastwood on the board.

The Minnesota Board of Marriage and Family Therapy is responsible for licensing and disciplining marriage and family therapists. The board is made up of seven members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE BOARD OF MEDICAL PRACTICE

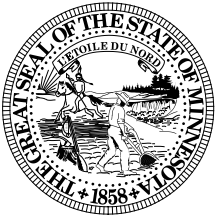
Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of James Mona and Kris Sanda to the Board of Medical Practice.

James Mona, of Hutchinson, has practiced Osteopathic medicine in Minnesota for 18 years. He currently practices emergency medicine at Hutchinson Community Hospital. He is Board Certified in Family Practice. Dr. Mona is the Past President of the Minnesota Osteopathic Medical Society. He received his D.O. degree from the College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery in Des Moines, Iowa. Dr. Mona is appointed as the Osteopathic Physician member of the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He replaces Joseph Willet D.O. on the board.

Kris Sanda, of Blaine, is President of the Lutheran Social Service Foundation. She also serves as Vice President of the St. Paul American Red Cross. From 1991-99, she served under Governor Arne Carlson as Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Public Service. Governor Rudy Perpich appointed her to the Minnesota Racing Commission. She served under Governor Al Quie as Director of the Minnesota Office of Consumer Services. Sanda is appointed as a public member of the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She is reappointed to her second term on the board.

The Board of Medical Practice is responsible for licensing and disciplining physicians as well as the regulation of acupuncturists, athletic trainers, physician assistants, and respiratory care practitioners. The board is made up of 16 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO THE BOARD OF OPTOMETRY

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Larry Morrison, Lori Mowbray, and Jeanette Taylor Jones to the Board of Optometry.

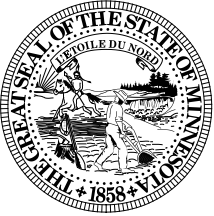
Larry Morrison, of Detroit Lakes, has been an optometrist for 24 years. He currently practices in Detroit Lakes and Mahanomen. He is President of the Northwest Association of Optometrists. Dr. Morrison is also a member of Volunteer Optometric Service to Humanity. He was group leader on the organization's February 2003 mission to Port Antonio, Jamaica. Dr. Morrison received his D.O. degree from the Illinois College of Optometry. He is appointed as an optometrist member of the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. Dr. Morrison currently serves as the board's Vice President and is reappointed to his second term on the board.

Lori Mowbray, of Edina, has been an optometrist for 22 years. She currently practices in Edina. She is a Fellow of the College of Optometrists in Vision Development and is a Fellow of the American Academy of Optometry. Dr. Mowbray received her D.O. degree from the New England College of Optometry in Boston, Massachusetts. She is also a graduate of the Baltimore Academy of Behavioral Optometry in Baltimore, Maryland. Dr. Mowbray is appointed as an optometrist member of the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She replaces Dr. Dirk Colby on the board.

Jeanette Taylor Jones, of Stillwater, is currently a health care consultant. She previously served as an Assistant Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Human Services. Prior to working at DHS, she served as CEO of Minnesota Age and Opportunity, a nonprofit serving seniors. Ms. Jones is licensed as both a registered nurse and an attorney. She serves as an adjunct professor at the William Mitchell College of Law. She received her law degree from the Pace University School of Law in White Plains, New York. Ms. Jones is appointed as a public member of the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She replaces Emmy Lou Hanson on the board.

The Board of Optometry is responsible for licensing and disciplining optometrists. The board is made up of seven members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE BOARD OF PHARMACY

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Carleton Crawford and Vernon Kassekert to the Board of Pharmacy.

Carleton Crawford, of Minneapolis, is Project Manager and Treasurer for C Cubed Home Design Inc., in Minneapolis. He previously worked as a Designer, Drafter and Project Manager for Shea Architects Inc. Crawford received a Masters of Architecture Degree from the University of Minnesota. He is appointed as a public member of the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. Crawford replaces Carol Peterson on the board.

Vernon Kassekert, of White Bear Lake, has been a pharmacist for 32 years. He currently works as a Staff Pharmacist for Walgreen's. He is a member of the Drug Formulary Committee at the Minnesota Department of Human Services and is a student mentor at the University of Minnesota School of Pharmacy. Kassekert received a Bachelor's of Science in Pharmacy degree from the University of Minnesota. He is appointed as a pharmacist member of the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. Kassekert is reappointed to his second term on the board.

The Board of Pharmacy is responsible for licensing and disciplining pharmacists. The board also inspects and licenses all pharmacies, drug wholesalers, and drug manufacturers. The board is made up of seven members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE BOARD OF PODIATRIC MEDICINE

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Eugene Dela Cruz and Stephen Powless to the Board of Podiatric Medicine.

Eugene Dela Cruz, of Farmington, has been a podiatrist for 12 years and currently practices at Allina Medical Clinics. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Podiatric Surgery and is a Fellow of the American College of Foot & Ankle Surgeons. Dr. Dela Cruz is an Adjunct Clinical Professor and Instructor in Surgery at the Hennepin County Medical Center Podiatric Surgical Residency Program. He received his D.P.M. degree from the California College of Podiatric Medicine in San Francisco, California. Dr. Dela Cruz is appointed as a podiatrist member of the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He is reappointed to his second term on the board.

Stephen Powless, of Minneapolis, has been a podiatrist for 22 years. He currently practices full time at Park Nicollet Medical Center in St. Louis Park and part time at Hennepin Faculty Associates in Minneapolis. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Podiatric Surgery and is a Fellow of the American College of Foot & Ankle Surgeons. Dr. Powless is member of the Accreditation Committee of the Council on Podiatric Medical Education. He received his D.P.M. degree from the Illinois College of Podiatric Medicine in Chicago, Illinois. Dr. Powless is appointed as a podiatrist member of the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He is reappointed to his third term on the board.

The Board of Podiatric Medicine is responsible for licensing and disciplining doctors of podiatric medicine. The board is made up of seven members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

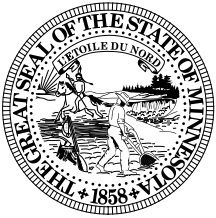
Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Susan Hayes and Gerald Jensen to the Board of Psychology.

Susan Hayes, of Minnetonka, is Associate Director of the United Health Foundation in Minneapolis. She is Board President of the Learning Center for Children. Hayes received a M.A. in Education degree from the University of Minnesota. She is appointed as a public member of the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. Hayes was first appointed to fill a vacant term on the board in 2001. This will be her second term on the board.

Gerald Jensen, of Brainerd, is a Licensed Psychological Practitioner (LPP) at Northern Pines Mental Health Center in Brainerd. He is also employed at the CedarBrook Family Center in St. Paul. He is a member of the Advisory Board of the Minnesota Center Against Violence and Abuse. Jensen received a M.A. in Counseling Psychology degree from St. Mary's University in Winona. He is appointed as the LPP member of the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. Jensen replaces Nicholas Ruiz on the board.

The Board of Psychology is responsible for licensing and disciplining psychologists. The board is made up of 11 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FOUR TO THE BOARD OF WATER AND SOIL RESOURCES

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Kevin Anderson, Kay Cook, Quentin Fairbanks, and Randy Kramer to the Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR). Governor Pawlenty also designated current board member Jerome Deal as the chairman of the board.

Kevin Anderson, of Lake Wilson, is a Murray County Commissioner. He has farmed for the last 25 years and previously served 20 years as a township clerk. He serves as a board member of the Area II Minnesota River Basin Project. Anderson is appointed to a county commissioner position on the board and will serve a term ending January 3, 2005. He fills the vacant county commissioner seat caused by the resignation of JoAnn Coover.

Kay Cook, of Richmond, is vice chairperson of the Sauk River Watershed District. She also serves as chairperson of the policy and resolution committee at the Minnesota Association of Watershed Districts. She is a board member of the Cold Spring Area Chamber of Commerce. Cook is appointed to a board position for a watershed district representative and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She replaces Ginny Imholte as a watershed district representative on the board.

Quentin Fairbanks, of Hines, is a County Commissioner and chairman of the Beltrami County Board. He is a member of the Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians and serves as a tribal business planner. He also serves on the executive board of the Red River Basin Commission and as chairman of the Headwaters Regional Development Commission. Fairbanks is appointed to a board position for a county commissioner and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He replaces Darrell Bruggman as a county commissioner on the board.

Randy Kramer, of Bird Island, is a partner in a 3,800 acre farm. He is vice president of the Renville County Farm Bureau and is chairman of the state feed grains committee of the Minnesota Farm Bureau Federation. He is active in the Renville County Agricultural Society and the Renville County Corn Growers Board. Kramer is appointed to a board position for a citizen member and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He replaces Leland Coe as a citizen member on the board.

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Jerome Deal, of Wheaton, is a manager of the Bois De Sioux Watershed District. He is member of the Red River Watershed Management Board and co-chairman of the Red River Flood Damage Reduction Work Group. He has been a BWSR board member since 1998, most recently serving as vice chairman. Governor Pawlenty is appointing Deal as BWSR's chairman. Deal will continue to serve his current term as a watershed district representative on the board. This term is scheduled to end January 2, 2006. Deal replaces Leland Coe as the board's chairman.

The Board of Water and Soil Resources (BWSR) is the state's administrative agency for 91 soil and water conservation districts, 43 watershed districts, 27 metropolitan watersheds, and 80 county water management organizations. The agency's purpose, working through local government, is to protect and enhance the state's irreplaceable soil and water resources by implementing the state's soil and water conservation policy, comprehensive local water management, and the Wetland Conservation Act as it relates to the 41.7 million acres of private land in Minnesota. The board consists of 17 members, including 12 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE MINNESOTA BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC EXAMINERS

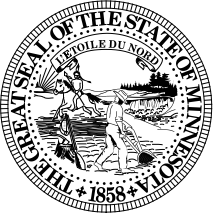
Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of LeRoy Otto and Joan Patalonis to the Minnesota Board of Chiropractic Examiners.

LeRoy Otto, of Old Frontenac, has been a chiropractor for 24 years. He currently practices in clinics in Red Wing and Lake City. Dr. Otto is a Delegate to the National Board of Chiropractic Examiners (NCBE) and is Chief Examiner for the NCBE at Northwestern Health Sciences University in Bloomington. Dr. Otto is a Delegate to the Federation of Chiropractic Licensing Boards (FCLB) and is Co-Chairman of the Interjurisdictional Mobility Task Force at FCLB. He received his D.C. degree from Palmer College of Chiropractic in Davenport, Iowa. Dr. Otto is appointed as a chiropractor member of the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. This will be his third term on the board. Dr. Otto currently serves as the board's vice president.

Joan Patalonis, of White Bear Lake, is retired from Fiduciary Counseling, Inc. Prior to her work there, she was employed by the Central Intelligence Agency for 18 years. Patalonis previously served as a citizen member of the Fourth District Ethics Committee, which investigates complaints against attorneys. For the last ten years, Patalonis has been a volunteer with numerous groups, including Meals on Wheels, the Salvation Army, and the MS TRAM bike ride. She received a B.A. in Latin American Area Studies from the University of Minnesota. Patalonis is appointed as a public member of the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. This will be her second term on the board.

The Minnesota Board of Chiropractic Examiners is responsible for licensing and disciplining chiropractors. The board is made up of seven members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FIVE TO THE MINNESOTA BOARD OF NURSING

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Debra Hacker, Doris Hill, Gregory Langason, James Nardone, and Clayton Robinson, Jr. to the Minnesota Board of Nursing.

Debra Hacker, of Hancock, has been practicing nursing for 23 years, including 20 years in long-term care settings. A registered nurse (RN), she is currently Director of Staff Development at the Minnewaska Lutheran Home in Starbuck. She also works at North Star Nursing Service in Osage. In addition to her work and board activities, she and her husband serve as foster care providers. Hacker is appointed to the board position for a registered nurse practicing in a nursing home. She will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. This will be her second term on the board. She currently serves as the board's president.

Doris Hill, of Bloomington, is a Nursing Instructor in the associate degree nursing program at Normandale Community College in Bloomington. A registered nurse (RN), she has 17 years of experience in nursing, including five years as a nursing instructor. Hill started her nursing career with an associate's degree from Normandale, and is now a candidate for a Ph.D. in Nursing from the University of Minnesota. She received her M.S. in Nursing degree from the University of Minnesota. Hill is appointed to the board position for registered nurse in an associate degree nursing program. She will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. Hill replaces Margaret Kotek on the board.

Gregory Langason, of Minneapolis, is a Health Care Call Center Rep for the Minnesota Department of Human Services. A licensed practical nurse (LPN), he also works part time at the Bethany Covenant Village in Minneapolis. Langason previously worked ten years as a LPN at the Minnesota Veterans' Home in Minneapolis. He received a M.A. in Nonprofit Management from Hamline University in St. Paul. Langason is appointed to a board position for a licensed practical nurse. He will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. Langason replaces Linda Busch on the board.

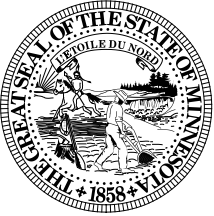
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James Nardone, of Grand Rapids, is a retired social worker. In 2002, he retired after working 28 years at Itasca County Health and Human Services. Nardone serves as board chairman of First Call for Help of Itasca County. He is a board member of the Itasca Partnership for Quality Health Care. Nardone received a B.S. degree from the University of Minnesota at Duluth. He is also a veteran of the U.S. Air Force. Nardone is appointed to a board position for a public member. He will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. Nardone also meets the statutory requirement that one public member of the board be 60 years of age or older. This will be his second term on the board.

Clayton Robinson, Jr., of Maplewood, is Assistant Director of the Prosecution Division at the Ramsey County Attorney's Office. He previously served as St. Paul's City Attorney. Robinson serves on the boards of the Greater St. Paul YMCA and Save our Sons, Inc. He previously served as a member of the Minnesota Supreme Court Racial Bias Task Force, the St. Paul Human Rights Commission, and the St. Paul Police-Civilian Internal Affairs Review Commission. He received his J.D. degree from the Drake University School of Law in Des Moines, Iowa. Robinson is appointed to a board position for a public member. He will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. Robinson replaces David Swanson on the board.

The Minnesota Board of Nursing is responsible for licensing and disciplining nurses and approving nurse education programs. The board is made up of 16 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO THE MINNESOTA BOARD OF SOCIAL WORK

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Barbara Butts Williams, Roy Garza, and Ken Middlebrooks to the Minnesota Board of Social Work.

Barbara Butts Williams, of Minneapolis, is the Director of the Masters of Business Administration (MBA) Program at Capella University. She is President of the Metropolitan State University Foundation Board and is a former member of the Metropolitan Council. She holds a Ph.D. in Human and Organizational Systems from the Fielding Graduate Institute in Santa Barbara, California. Butts Williams is appointed as a public member on the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She replaces Lois McDougal on the board.

Roy Garza, of St. Paul, is a bilingual therapist at the La Familia Guidance Center in St. Paul. He received a M.S.W. degree from the University of Minnesota. He previously worked as manager of interpreter services at both Fairview Health Systems and at Allina Health Systems. He also worked as a social worker at both Children's Hospital and Regions Hospital. Garza is appointed to the board position for a master's level social worker in a private agency. He will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007 and replaces Barbara Kaufman on the board.

Ken Middlebrooks, of Plymouth, recently retired as Director of Production at Land O' Lakes Corporation in Arden Hills. He is a board member emeritus at the Children's Home Society of Minnesota. He is also a member of the Children's Defense Fund. He attended Marygrove College in Detroit, Michigan. Middlebrooks is appointed as a public member on the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He replaces Michael Yang on the board.

The Minnesota Board of Social Work is responsible for licensing and disciplining social workers. The board is made up of 15 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE MINNESOTA BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Meg Glattly and John Lawrence to the Minnesota Board of Veterinary Medicine.

Meg Glattly, of Eagan, has been a veterinarian for 23 years. She is partner in a companion animal practice at the Woodlake Veterinary Hospital in Richfield. Dr. Glattly is a director of the American Association of Veterinary State Boards and is a member of the Committee on Wellness of the American Veterinarian Association. She received her D.V.M. degree from Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. Dr. Glattly is appointed as a veterinarian member of the board for a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She previously served as a member of the board from 1998-2002. Dr. Glattly replaces Ronald Kuecker D.V.M. on the board.

John Lawrence, of Lonsdale, has been a veterinarian for 30 years. He is employed by the Smith Veterinary Hospital in Burnsville. Dr. Lawrence also works at Professional Breeders Veterinary Services in Lonsdale. He received the Outstanding Service Award from the Louisiana Academy of Veterinary Medicine. He received his D.V.M. degree from Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa. Dr. Lawrence is appointed as a veterinarian member of the board for a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. Dr. Lawrence replaces Kenneth Greiner D.V.M. on the board.

The Minnesota Board of Veterinary Medicine is responsible for licensing and disciplining veterinarians. The board is made up of seven members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE MINNESOTA HIGHER EDUCATION FACILITIES AUTHORITY

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Gary Benson and Kathryn Balstad Brewer to the Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority.

Gary Benson, of New Brighton, is a Vice President and Senior Cost Estimator at Kraus-Anderson Construction Company. He has over 28 years experience in construction cost estimating and project management. He received a B.A. in Mathematics and Economics from Augsburg College in Minneapolis. Benson is appointed to the board position for a representative of the building construction field. He will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He is reappointed to a second term on the authority's board. He currently serves as vice chair of the authority.

Kathryn Balstad Brewer, of New Brighton, is a retired strategic consultant and adjunct faculty member at the University of Minnesota. Prior to entering higher education, she was a Senior Vice President at First Bank System (now U.S. Bancorp). She received a B.A. in English, a M.B.A., and a Ph.D. in Strategic Management and Organization from the University of Minnesota. Brewer is appointed to a board position for a public member. She will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She is reappointed to a fourth term on the authority's board.

The Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority assists Minnesota nonprofit institutions of higher education by issuing tax-exempt revenue bonds. These funds are used to finance construction projects, renovate existing buildings, or purchase equipment. The authority's board is made up of ten members, including eight appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO THE STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Kathleen Fleischaker, Neng Lee, and Dennis Lutterman to the State Board of Physical Therapy.

Kathleen Fleischaker, of Eden Prairie, has been a physical therapist for over 30 years. She is currently the Director of Rehabilitation Services at Park Nicollet Health Services in St. Louis Park. Fleischaker received the 2003 Outstanding Service Award from the Federation of State Boards of Physical Therapy. She is a graduate of the University of Minnesota School of Physical Therapy. Fleischaker is appointed as a physical therapist member of the board for a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She is reappointed to her second term on the board. In 1999, she became the board's first president. She continues to serve in that capacity today.

Dennis Lutterman, of Brainerd, has been a physical therapist for 37 years. He is currently Director of Rehabilitative Services at St. Joseph's Medical Center in Brainerd. He received a B.A. from Minnesota State University, Mankato and a Physical Therapy Certificate from the University of Iowa. Lutterman is appointed as a physical therapist member of the board for a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He is reappointed to his second term on the board. He currently serves as chairman of the board's continuing education committee.

Neng Lee, of St. Paul, is Executive Director of the Hmong United International Council of Minnesota, Inc. (the Hmong 18 Council). He previously worked for WISM/WEIO Radio in Eau Claire, Wisconsin. Lee also worked as a Bilingual Program Assistant at Bethune Elementary School in Minneapolis. In 2000, he was elected as a Councilman at Large for the City of Eau Claire. He received a B.S. in Marketing degree from Winona State University. Lee is appointed as a public member of the board for a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He replaces Dinah Patrykus on the board.

The State Board of Physical Therapy is responsible for licensing and disciplining physical therapists. The board was formed in 1999. The board is made up of nine members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS SEVEN TO ZOO BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Sherry Broecker and David Leckey and the reappointment of Eleanor Crosby, Edward Dayton, Harry J. Haynsworth IV, Laura McCarten and Peter B. Myers to the Minnesota Zoological Board.

Broecker, of Forest Lake, is a small business owner and former member of the Minnesota House of Representatives. Broecker replaces Harry Mares, who resigned, to complete a four-year term that expires on January 5, 2004.

Crosby, of Long Lake, was a member of the Zoo Board from 1987 to 1997, and again since 1999. She chaired the board from 1993 to 1996. She was also a member of the Minnesota Zoo Foundation Board from 1989 to 1999. Crosby is reappointed to another four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Dayton, of Wayzata, was a member of the Zoo Board from 1987 to 1995, and again since 1999. He chaired the board from 1990 to 1992. He was a member of the Minnesota Zoo Foundation Board from 1989 to 1999, serving as chair in 1993. Dayton is reappointed to another four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Haynsworth, of St. Paul, is the president and dean of William Mitchell College of Law in St. Paul. Haynsworth, who has been a member of the Zoo Board since 1999, is reappointed to another four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Leckey, of Inver Grove Heights, is executive vice president of Dane Industries in Plymouth. Leckey replaces Gene Merriam, who resigned, to complete a four-year term that expires on January 3, 2005.

McCarten, of St. Paul, is the director of community services for Xcel Energy in Minneapolis. McCarten, who has been a member of the Zoo Board since 1998, is reappointed to another four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Myers, of St. Paul, is president of Myers Communications Group in St. Paul. He has been a member of the Zoo Board since 1997, chair from 2000 to 2002, and he chaired the search committee for a new zoo director. Myers is reappointed to another four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

The Minnesota Zoological Board operates and maintains the Minnesota Zoological Garden. The board consists of 30 members, including 15 appointed by the Governor and 15 appointed by the Zoo Board.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO URBAN INITIATIVE BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Brenda Colston, Theresa Upton and Tzianeng Vang to the Urban Initiative Board.

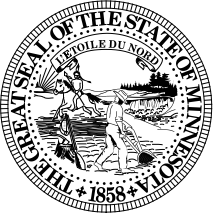
Colston, of Brooklyn Park, is the president and owner of K. L. Title, Inc. in Brooklyn Center. She replaces Rebecca DeMers to complete a four-year term that expires on January 5, 2004.

Upton, of Minneapolis, is a regional emerging market development manager with American Family Mutual Insurance Company in Eden Prairie. She replaces Georgina Stephens for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Vang, of Maplewood, is the owner of, and an instructor with, S.A.F.E. Driving School Corporation. He replaces Fred Perez for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

The Urban Initiative Board investigates and evaluates methods to enhance urban development, particularly methods relating to economic diversification through minority business enterprises and job creation for minority and other persons in low-income areas. The board oversees the Department of Employment and Economic Development's Urban Initiative Program. The board consists of 11 members, including eight appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY ANNOUNCES METROPOLITAN COUNCIL VACANCIES

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced that applications are being accepted for the Metropolitan Council. The vacancies occurred as a result of the redrawing of the Metropolitan Council Districts by the 2003 Legislature. Metropolitan Council Plan MC03, which can be viewed on the Geographic Information Systems Office website at www.gis.leg.mn/html/mcplans.html, includes 14 districts in which Governor Pawlenty-appointed incumbents reside and two new districts with no incumbents.

Districts with no incumbent Metropolitan Council member are:

- Metropolitan Council District 11 includes the Anoka County cities of Centerville and Lino Lakes; the Anoka County township of Columbus, the Ramsey County cities of Gem Lake, Little Canada, Maplewood, North St. Paul, Vadnais Heights, and White Bear Lake; the Ramsey County township of White Bear; and the Washington County cities of Hugo, Landfall, Oakdale and White Bear Lake.
- Metropolitan Council District 16 includes the Dakota County cities of Apple Valley, Coates, the southern portion of Eagan south of Cliff Road/County Road 32, Farmington, Hampton, Hastings, Lakeville, Miesville, New Trier, Randolph, Rosemount, Vermillion and the Dakota County townships of Castle Rock, Douglas, Empire, Eureka, Greenvale, Hampton, Marshan, Nininger, Randolph, Ravenna, Sciota, Vermillion and Waterford.

Persons interested in applying for the Metropolitan Council must complete an Open Appointments Application. Application forms may be downloaded from the Secretary of State's office from their website, www.sos.state.mn.us, or by calling 651-297-5845. Applicants are asked to attach a current résumé to their application. The deadline for receipt of all application materials, including any letters of recommendation submitted on behalf of applicants, is Tuesday, July 22, 2003 at 4:30 p.m.

A seven-member Metropolitan Council Nominating Committee, which recommends candidates for the Metropolitan Council to the Governor, will host a public hearing to accept statements from, or on behalf of, applicants for the two open districts. Governor Pawlenty is not required to use the Metropolitan Council Nominating Committee process for the districts to which he made appointments earlier this year.

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Governor Pawlenty has designated the following persons to serve on the Metropolitan Council Nominating Committee:

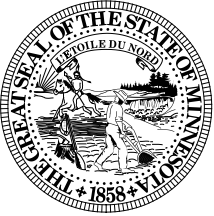
William Pulkrabek, Chair, Oakdale, Washington County Commissioner
Sherry Broecker, Forest Lake
Mike Burton, Minnetonka
Dave Clark, Blaine, Blaine City Council
Cyndee Fields, Eagan, Eagan City Council
John Pacheco, Minneapolis
Mark Schiffman, Waconia, Waconia City Council

The public hearing for Metropolitan Council Districts 11 and 16 will be conducted on Monday, August 11, 2003, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Metropolitan Council chambers, located at 230 East Fifth Street in St. Paul.

Questions concerning the appointments process should be directed to John Hultquist, Open Appointments Coordinator for Governor Pawlenty, at 651-296-0019 or john.hultquist@state.mn.us.

The Metropolitan Council coordinates planning and development in the seven county metropolitan area and directly operates several regional services. The Metropolitan Council consists of 16 metropolitan citizens appointed from geographically defined districts in the seven county metropolitan area and a chair. All 17 members are appointed by the Governor to four-year terms that are co-terminus with the governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO AUTO ASSIGNED CLAIMS BUREAU

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Brenda Elmer and the reappointment of Robert Provost to the Minnesota Automobile Assigned Claims Bureau. Both will serve two-year terms that expire on January 3, 2005.

Elmer, of Moorhead, worked for the Minnesota House of Representatives for over eight years prior to moving to Moorhead earlier this year. Elmer replaces Linda Rucker.

Provost, of Minneapolis, was president of the Minnesota Insurance Information Center and chaired the Consumer Information Task Force when the state's no-fault insurance law was implemented. Provost has been a member of the bureau since 1991.

The Minnesota Automobile Assigned Claims Bureau governs the operation of the Minnesota Auto Assigned Claims Plan in providing no-fault basic economic loss benefits to eligible recipients. The bureau consists of seven members, including two public members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS SEVEN TO COMMISSION ON NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Terrell Adams, Keith Dixon, Ph.D., Jay Esmay, Robert Ferderer and Robert Rumpza and the reappointment of Paul Cumings and David Nasby to the Minnesota Commission on National and Community Service, also known as ServeMinnesota!

Adams, of St. Paul, is a student at Central High School in St. Paul and participates in a number of volunteer projects in the community through his school. Adams is appointed as a youth member to a three-year term that expires on August 1, 2006.

Cumings, of Grove City, is a student at Augsburg College in Minneapolis and is involved in a wealth of volunteer activities at college and at home. Cumings, who has been a member of ServeMinnesota! since 1999, is reappointed as a representative of higher education-based learning programs for a three-year term that expires on August 1, 2006.

Dixon, of Faribault, is the superintendent of Faribault Public Schools. Dixon replaces Don Helmstetter as a representative of educators of primary or secondary students to complete a three-year term that expires on August 1, 2004.

Esmay, of St. Cloud, is the corporate continuous improvement team manager with Cold Spring Granite Company and previously served as an officer in the United States Air Force. Esmay is appointed to a new position for a three-year term that expires on August 1, 2006.

Ferderer, of Eagan, is a private mediator/arbitrator. He was director of communications and government affairs at 3M, where he worked for 34 years. Ferderer is appointed to a new position for a three-year term that expires on August 1, 2006.

Nasby, of Minneapolis, is vice president of the General Mills Foundation. He has been a member of ServeMinnesota! since 1999 and is a past chairman. Nasby is reappointed as a representative of business for a three-year term that expires on August 1, 2006.

Rumpza, of Eden Prairie, is executive vice president and head of corporate relations with Weber Shandwick in Bloomington. Rumpza is appointed to a new position for a three-year term that expires on August 1, 2006.

The Minnesota Commission on National and Community Service coordinates volunteer learning service programs, administers the youth works grant program as well as the federal Americorps program. The commission consists of 25 members, including 22 appointed by the governor, plus ex-officio members.



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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS MEMBERS TO STATE QUARTER COMMISSION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of seven members to the Governor’s State Quarter Dollar Commission. The Commission, which Governor Pawlenty created by Executive Order 03-07, will select the design concepts and recommend the final design of the quarter dollar for the State of Minnesota for submission to the United States Secretary of the Treasury in accordance with the 50 States Commemorative Coin Program Act.

“I am excited that that there is such a high level of interest in this program by adults and youth alike,” Governor Pawlenty said. “This Commission will have a big role in one of the most historically significant coin programs the United States has seen. People will be collecting the state quarters for many years to come.”

Governor Pawlenty’s appointments to the Governor’s State Quarter Dollar Commission are Brekken Armstrong, Tammy Diemert-Mayo, William Himmelwright, Dean Jirousek, Ward Kaiser, Mark Meffert and Shane Weber.

Armstrong, of Maple Grove, will be a sixth grade student at Nova Classical Academy. He has won 28 ribbons for his art at the Minnesota State Fair, including the grand prize for second grade art in 2000. He has also had drawings on display at the Minnesota Raptor Center. Armstrong is appointed to the student position.

Diemert-Mayo, of Sherburn, is the new accounts representative at Farmers State Bank of Sherburn and, along with her husband, operates a family farm. Diemert-Mayo is appointed to a public member position.

Himmelwright, of Minneapolis, is the sole proprietor of Premium Quality Coin in Minneapolis, author and publisher of *Your Penny’s Worth*, a numismatic newsletter, and was the American Numismatic Association Presidential Award Winner in 1998. Himmelwright is appointed to the position for a member of the American Numismatic Association.

Jirousek, of Ellendale, is the owner and operator of a dairy and vegetable farm in Steele County. Jirousek is appointed as a public member.

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Kaiser, of Cloquet, is a Civics and American History teacher at Carlton High School. Kaiser is appointed to the position for a high school social studies teacher.

Meffert, of Eagan, is a constituent services specialist with the Minnesota House of Representatives and has been a coin collector for over 30 years. Meffert is appointed to a public member position.

Weber, of St. Bonifacius, is a kindergarten teacher at Excelsior Elementary School. Weber is appointed to the position for an elementary school teacher.

In addition to the seven appointments made by the Governor, the legislature has appointed Representative Chris Gerlach, Senator David Hann, Senator Sharon Marko and Representative Tony Sertich. Commission membership is rounded out by Minnesota Historical Society Director Nina Archabal, Minnesota State Arts Board Executive Director Robert Booker, Secretary of State Mary Kiffmeyer, and Department of Education Commissioner Cheri Pierson Yecke. The Department of Education will also provide staff support for the Commission.

The Governor's State Quarter Dollar Commission will announce the procedures and guidelines for selection of design narratives for Minnesota's quarter dollar, and invite submission of design narratives consistent with the requirements of the 50 States Commemorative Coin Act.

The Commission will then review the design narratives and forward five submissions as finalists in the design selection process to the United States Mint. Upon approval of the design selection finalists by the United States Secretary of the Treasury, the Commission will then seek public comment on the finalists and make their recommendation to the Governor. The Governor will submit a design to the U. S. Mint for presentation to the Secretary of the Treasury for final approval. Minnesota's state quarter dollar will be unveiled in 2005.



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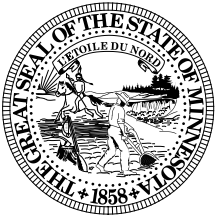
GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TYLER DESPINS TO THE MnSCU BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Tyler Despins as a Student Member of the Board of Trustees of the Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) System.

Despins, of Winona, is a student at Winona State University pursuing a bachelor's degree. He also attended Rochester Community and Technical College (RCTC) from 1999-2001. He has served as State Legislative Affairs Coordinator for the Minnesota State University Student Association. He also served as both President and Vice President of the Student Senate at RCTC. Despins is appointed to the position for a State University student. He will serve a two-year term ending June 30, 2005. He replaces Michael Redlinger as the State University student member of the board.

The Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MnSCU) System is comprised of 6 community colleges, 9 technical colleges, 12 combined community and technical colleges and 7 state universities. The system is governed by a 15-member Board of Trustees appointed by the Governor. The Board has broad policy responsibility for system planning, academic programs, fiscal management, personnel, admissions requirements, tuition and fees, and policies and procedures.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND

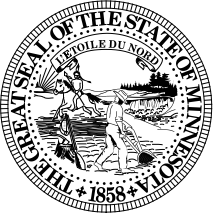
Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of David Hartwell and Catherine Thayer Nicholson to the Citizen's Advisory Committee for the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund.

Catherine Thayer Nicholson, of Dellwood, was previously employed at the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, the Minnesota Waste Management Board, and as an Environmental Planner at the Minnesota Department of Transportation. She is currently a member of the St. Paul Garden Club. Nicholson previously served as a director on the White Bear Lake Conservation District. She also served on boards of the University of Minnesota Landscape Arboretum, the Dodge Nature Center, and the Minnesota Zoo Foundation. She received a B.S. in Biology and Geography from Macalester College in St. Paul. Nicholson is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She will serve as the Committee member from the sixth congressional district. She replaces Lars Erdahl on the Committee.

David Hartwell, of Minneapolis, is founder and president of Bellcomb Technologies, in Minneapolis. He serves as board chair of Minnesota Audubon, and as president of Belwin, which operates the Belwin Outdoor Educational Laboratory. He also currently serves on the boards of the Land Trust Alliance, Parks and Trails Council of Minnesota, the Minnesota League of Conservation Voters, and on the advisory board of the St. John's Arboretum. Hartwell previously served on the boards of numerous organizations, including the Minnesota Nature Conservancy, the Delta Waterfowl Foundation, the Bell Museum of Natural History, and the Conservation Endowment Fund. Hartwell is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He will serve as an at-large member. He replaces Marvin Tinklenberg on the Committee.

The Citizens Advisory Committee is made up of eleven members appointed by the Governor. The Committee advises the Legislative Commission on Minnesota's Resources (LCMR) as to the distribution of the Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund. The Trust Fund consists of 40% of the net profits of the Minnesota Lottery.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FOUR TO THE BOARD OF THE PERPICH CENTER FOR ARTS EDUCATION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of John Davis, Scott Halgrim, Kathryn Knudson, and Mary Frances Skala to the Board of the Perpich Center for Arts Education.

John Davis, of Lanesboro, is Executive Director of the Kids Philosophy Slam, a national philosophy program for K-12 students. He founded the Great American Think Off, a national philosophy competition for adults. He also founded the New York Mills Arts Retreat and Regional Cultural Center. Davis received a B.F.A. degree from the Minneapolis College of Art and Design. He is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007, as the board member from the 1st Congressional District. He replaces Lani Kawamura on the board.

Scott Halgrim, of St. Louis Park, is a computer programmer at CNT in Plymouth. He also serves as Vice President of the Perpich Center for Art Education Foundation. He is a 1993 graduate of the Arts High School at the Perpich Center. Halgrim received a B.S. in Computer Science from Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri. He is appointed to a partial term ending January 2, 2006, as an at-large board member. He replaces Mark French.

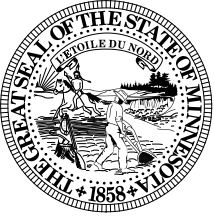
Kathryn Knudson, of Minneapolis, is Marketing Director at *Utne* Magazine in Minneapolis. She also serves on the board of the Perpich Center for Art Education Foundation. She is a 1992 graduate of the Arts High School at the Perpich Center. Knudson received a B.A. in English and Classics from Kenyon College in Gambier, Ohio. She is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007, as an at-large board member. She replaces Alex Boies.

Mary Frances Skala, of Duluth, is an attorney at Fryberger, Buchanan, Smith & Frederick, P.A. in Duluth. She previously served on the boards of the Duluth Art Institute, the St. Louis County Heritage and Art Center, and the Southern Theatre Foundation. Skala received a B.A. in Chemistry and Mathematics from the College of St. Scholastica in Duluth. She received her J.D. degree from Hamline University School of Law in St. Paul. She is reappointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007, as the board member from the 8th Congressional District. This is her second term on the board.

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The Perpich Center for Arts Education is located in Golden Valley. The Perpich Center includes the Arts High School, which is a tuition-free public high school for 310 students in grades 11 and 12. The Arts High School includes students from every congressional district, and graduated its first class in 1990. The Perpich Center also conducts research into arts education and acts as a resource for schools, teachers, students, and artists. The Perpich Center is governed by a board of 15 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS NINE TO THE RURAL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of State Senator Jim Vickerman (DFL-Tracy), State Representative Mary Ellen Otremba (DFL-Long Prairie), State Representative Brad Finstad (R-New Ulm), Raymond Christensen, Maddy Forsberg, Steve Hansberry, Paul Iverson, Michael Mulder, and Rhonda Wiering to the Rural Health Advisory Committee (RHAC).

Jim Vickerman, of Tracy, is State Senator for District 22, which includes Pipestone, Rock, Murray, Nobles, Cottonwood, and Jackson Counties. A farmer and former county commissioner, Sen. Vickerman is currently serving in his sixth term in the Minnesota Senate. He serves as DFL Majority Whip and is Chair of the State and Local Government Operations Committee. He was involved in the development of the Prairie Health Purchasing Alliance in Southwestern Minnesota. Sen. Vickerman is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He will serve as the RHAC member who is in the majority party in the Senate. He is reappointed to his third term on the Committee.

Mary Ellen Otremba, of Long Prairie, is State Representative for District 11B, which includes all of Todd County and part of Douglas County. A substitute teacher and farmer, Rep. Otremba is currently serving in her fourth term in the Minnesota House of Representatives. She is a member of the both the Finance and Policy Committees for Health and Human Services. Rep. Otremba received a B.A. in Home and Community Service from the College of St. Benedict in St. Joseph, Minnesota. She recently completed a yearlong National Rural Health Leadership Fellowship from the National Rural Health Association. Rep. Otremba is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She will serve as the RHAC member who is in the minority party in the House of Representatives. She replaces Rep. Bernie Leider on the Committee.

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Brad Finstad, of New Ulm, is State Representative for District 21B, which includes all of Brown County and portions of Redwood and Watonwan Counties. A business development director for an agricultural cooperative, Rep. Finstad is currently serving in his first term in the Minnesota House of Representatives. He is a member of both the Finance and Policy Committees for Health and Human Services. He received a B.S. in Agricultural Education from the University of Minnesota. Rep. Finstad is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He will serve as the RHAC member who is in the majority party in the House of Representatives. He replaces Rep. Torrey Westrom on the Committee.

Raymond Christensen, of Duluth, is Assistant Dean for Rural Health for the University of Minnesota Medical Schools. He is also a family practice physician and co-founder of the Gateway Family Health Clinic in Moose Lake. Dr. Christensen is board certified by the American Board of Family Practice and is a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians. He received a B.S. in Agriculture from the University of Wisconsin-River Falls. He received his M.D. degree from the University of Wisconsin Medical School. Dr. Christensen is appointed to a vacant term which ends January 5, 2004. He will serve as the RHAC member who is a representative of a higher education institution that provides training for rural health care practitioners. He replaces Dr. Ronald Swanson on the Committee.

Maddy Forsberg, of Slayton, is Director of the Southwest Area Agency on Aging in Slayton. The Agency is a program of the Southwest Regional Development Commission and serves nine counties in southwest Minnesota. Forsberg is President-elect of the Minnesota Rural Health Association. She previously served on the board of the Murray County Hospice. She is a past board member of the State Regional Service Center for the Hearing Impaired. Forsberg attended the San Antonio School of Business and Worthington Community College. She is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She will serve as a RHAC member who is a consumer of rural health care. Forsberg is reappointed to a second term on the Committee.

Steve Hansberry, of Sandstone, is Facilities Manager with the Federal Bureau of Prisons in Sandstone. He has served as a member of the Pine County Health Department Youth Smoking Initiative. Hansberry also served as a member of the South Dakota Governor's Family Support Council and on the School Expansion Committee for the East Central School District in Sandstone. He served as a Youth Violence Prevention Grant Application Reviewer for the Minnesota Department of Education. Hansberry received a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Missouri-Rolla. He is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He will serve as a RHAC member who is a consumer of rural health care. Hansberry replaces Angel Normandin on the Committee.

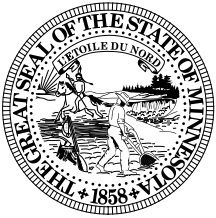
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Paul Iverson, of Bemidji, is President of Iverson Corner Drug, Inc., in Bemidji. He is also President of Progressive Health Care in Bemidji. A registered pharmacist, he is Past President of the Minnesota Pharmacist's Association. Iverson is also a faculty member of the University of Minnesota College of Pharmacy. He serves as Chairman of the Pharmacy Network of Minnesota and as Chairman of the Northwest Minnesota Asthma Coalition. Iverson received a B.S. in Pharmacy from North Dakota State University in Fargo. He is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He will serve as a RHAC member who is a licensed health care professional not otherwise represented on the Committee. Iverson replaces Michael Nagel on the Committee.

Michael Mulder, of New Ulm, is Senior Vice President of the Farmers State Bank in Trimont. He is also an Emergency Medical Technician (EMT-Basic), and a member of the Trimont Volunteer Fire and Ambulance Service. Mulder currently serves on the Loan Committee of the Economic Development Authority for the City of Trimont. He also founded and serves on the Trimont Area Youth Foundation. Mulder received a B.S. in Agricultural Education from the University of Minnesota. He is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He will serve as the RHAC member who is a volunteer member in an ambulance service. Mulder is reappointed to a second term on the Committee.

Rhonda Wiering, of Tyler, is Patient Care Administrator and Sunrise Manor Administrator at Tyler Healthcare Center. A registered nurse, she is also certified as a Gerontological Nurse by the American Nurses Credentialing Center. Wiering currently serves on the Lincoln, Lyon, Pipestone, and Murray County Community Health Board. She previously served as Regional Representative for the Avera McKennan Home Care Partners Board. Wiering received a B.S. in Nursing from South Dakota State University in Brookings. She is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She will serve as the RHAC member who is a nurse. Wiering is reappointed to a second term on the Committee.

The Rural Health Advisory Committee advises the Commissioner of Health and other state agencies on rural health issues. It consists of 15 members appointed by the Governor.



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NOMINATING COMMITTEE ANNOUNCES METROPOLITAN COUNCIL FINALISTS

Saint Paul – The Metropolitan Council Nominating Committee has recommended four finalists for two vacant positions on the Metropolitan Council to Governor Tim Pawlenty. The vacancies occurred as a result of the redrawing of the Metropolitan Council Districts by the 2003 Legislature. **The new districts** include 14 districts in which Governor Pawlenty-appointed incumbents reside and two new districts with no incumbents.

The finalists in Metropolitan Council District 11, which includes much of northern Ramsey County, eastern portions of Anoka County and western portions of Washington County, are Paul Gaston and Georgeanne Hilker.

Gaston, of Vadnais Heights, is a partner and manager of E.D.S., Inc. and a member of the Vadnais Heights City Council where he serves as liaison to its Transportation Commission. He was a member and chair of the Vadnais Heights Planning Commission, served on the city's Land-Use Advisory Council, and was a member of the Metropolitan Council Minority Issues Advisory Council.

Hilker, of White Bear Lake, is the administrative assistant to the Minnesota House of Representatives Majority Leader and a member of the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Community Foundation. She is also a past member of the White Bear Lakes Parks Advisory Commission.

The finalists in Metropolitan Council District 16, which includes southern Dakota County, are Brian McDaniel and Christopher Nelson.

McDaniel, of Apple Valley, is the director of fiscal policy for the Minnesota Business Partnership. He is past president of the Optimist Club of Apple Valley, a board member of the Wyndemere Homeowner's Association, and has been an assistant basketball coach with Minnesota Special Olympics.

Nelson, of Eagan, is a managing director of Northland Insurance Companies in St. Paul. He is a member, and former chair, of the Minnesota Higher Education Facilities Authority, was a member of the St. Louis Park City Council, and was vice president of the St. Louis Park Economic Development Authority.

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The seven-member Metropolitan Council Nominating Committee, which recommended these candidates to the Governor, conducted a public hearing on August 11 to accept statements from, or on behalf of, applicants for the two open districts. Eleven people applied for the District 11 position and 10 people applied for the District 16 position. Governor Pawlenty was not required to use the Metropolitan Council Nominating Committee process for the districts to which he made appointments earlier this year.

The Metropolitan Council Nominating Committee members who made these recommendations were William Pulkrabek, Chair, Sherry Broecker, Mike Burton, Dave Clark, Cyndee Fields, John Pacheco, and Mark Schiffman.

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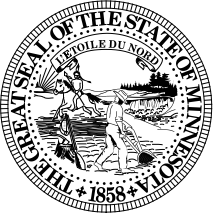
GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THOMPSON TO THE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Herman (Ted) Thompson to the Board of Psychology.

Thompson, of Minneapolis, is a family therapist in private practice. He was previously employed at African American Family Services and at the Phyllis Wheatley Community Center. He is a licensed psychologist (LP) at the master's degree level and has worked in the psychology and counseling field for over 25 years. He received a B.A. in Psychology from Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia. Thompson studied for a Ph.D. in Developmental and Counseling Psychology at the University of Minnesota, and holds a Master's degree equivalency from the University's College of Education, Counseling and Student Personnel Program. He is appointed as a master's level licensed psychologist on the board and will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. Thompson replaces Ralph Maves on the board.

The Board of Psychology is responsible for licensing and disciplining psychologists. The board is made up of 11 members appointed by the Governor.

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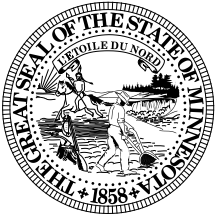
GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS SULLIVAN TO THE MINNESOTA STATE HIGH SCHOOL LEAGUE

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Gene Sullivan to the Board of Directors of the Minnesota State High School League.

Sullivan is a retired general manager at Stearns Electric Association in Melrose. He is a former high school referee and coach of youth football, baseball, and wrestling. Sullivan received a B.S. degree from St. John's University in Collegeville. He is also a veteran of the U.S. Army. Sullivan is the parent of four adult children and lives in Grey Eagle with his wife Irene. He is appointed to a four-year term expiring July 31, 2007. Sullivan replaces Tim Hermann on the Board.

The Minnesota State High School League is a voluntary, nonprofit association of over 400 public and private schools. Member schools provide opportunities for more than 200,000 Minnesota high school students to participate in athletics and fine arts competitions each year. The League administers the state tournaments for athletics, speech, music and dramatics. The League provides support for member schools with programs that address sportsmanship, chemical health, and scholarship recognition. The League also oversees more than 4,500 registered contest officials and judges. The Board of Directors for the League consists of 20 members, including four appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TO METROPOLITAN COUNCIL

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of 16 members, including two new people, to the Metropolitan Council. The openings occurred as a result of the 2003 Legislature's redrawing of the Council's geographically-defined boundaries.

The Governor's two new appointees to the Metropolitan Council are Georgeanne Hilker and Brian McDaniel. They join Rick Aguilar, Tom Egan, Marcel Eibensteiner, Song Lo Fawcett, Chris Georgacas, Peggy Leppik, Annette Meeks, Tony Pistilli, Roger Scherer, Jules Smith, Mary Hill Smith, Natalie Haas Steffen, Russell Susag and Lynette Wittsack, whom Governor Pawlenty appointed to the Metropolitan Council earlier this year.

"I've been impressed with the Metropolitan Council's efforts to redefine its focus and their plans to work with local governments to better deliver services to the metropolitan area," Governor Pawlenty said. "Although I'm disappointed that we'll lose Duane Arens and Glen Skovholt from the Council, I am also excited to have two people the caliber of Georgie and Brian step forward to continue moving the Metropolitan Council forward."

Aguilar, of West St. Paul, is president of Aguilar Marketing Productions, a commissioner of the RiverCentre Authority, founded the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and is a past chairman of the St. Paul Area Chamber of Commerce. Aguilar has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since March 2003. He is appointed to the new District 13.

Egan, of Eagan, is an attorney and partner with the law firm of Egan, Stewart & Lauer in Apple Valley and a former two-term mayor of Eagan. He has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since May 2002. He is appointed to the new District 15.

Eibensteiner, of North Oaks, is founder and president of Royal Oaks Realty, Inc., Royal Excavating, Inc., and Imperial Homes, Inc. Eibensteiner has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since March 2003. He is appointed to the new District 10.

Fawcett, of St. Paul, is an attorney and partner with the law firm of Kelly & Fawcett and chairs the St. Paul Human Rights Commission. Fawcett has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since March 2003. She is appointed to the new District 14.

Georgacas, of Mahtomedi, is a principal and shareholder with Goff & Howard, Inc., a public relations/public affairs firm in St. Paul. Georgacas has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since March 2003. He is appointed to the new District 12.

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Hilker, of White Bear Lake, is the administrative assistant to the Minnesota House of Representatives Majority Leader and a member of the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Community Foundation. She is also a past member of the White Bear Lakes Parks Advisory Commission. Hilker is appointed to the new District 11.

Leppik, of Golden Valley, recently retired after serving six terms in the Minnesota House of Representatives, where she chaired the Higher Education Finance Committee. Leppik has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since March 2003. She is appointed to the new District Six.

McDaniel, of Apple Valley, is the director of fiscal policy for the Minnesota Business Partnership. He is past president of the Optimist Club of Apple Valley, and a board member of the Wyndemere Homeowner's Association. He is appointed to the new District 16.

Meeks, of Minneapolis, is director of government affairs and public programs for the Center of the American Experiment. Meeks has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since March 2003. She is appointed to the new District Seven.

Pistilli, of Brooklyn Park, is the owner of Park Appraisal Service, a real estate appraisal company, and was a member of the Brooklyn Park City Council until earlier this year. Pistilli has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since March 2003. He is appointed to the new District Two.

Scherer, of Plymouth, is chairman of the board of Scherer Bros. Lumber Company, and previously served on the Metropolitan Council from 1980 to 1984 and again from 1992 to 1998. Scherer is appointed to the new District One.

Jules Smith, of Chaska, is an attorney in private practice, president of International Renaissance Festivals, Ltd., which produces and operates renaissance festivals in Annapolis, Maryland, and Toronto, Ontario, and president of International Conference Foundation. Smith has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since 1993 and currently chairs its Management Committee. He is appointed to the new District Four.

Mary Hill Smith, of Wayzata, is a past chair and current member of the Minnesota Women's Campaign Fund, and chair of the Sheltering Arms Foundation. Smith has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since 1993, and chairs its Transportation Committee. She is appointed to the new District Three.

Steffen, of Ramsey, has previously served as a member of the Ramsey City Council, commissioner of the Department of Human Services, and an Anoka County Commissioner. Steffen has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since 1999. She is appointed to the new District Nine.

Susag, of Richfield, is president of SUSAG Environmental Consulting, Inc., and was the director of environmental regulatory affairs with 3M. Susag has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since March 2003. He is appointed to the new District Five.

Wittsack, of Minneapolis, is a stay-at-home mother, former business owner and community activist. Wittsack has been a member of the Metropolitan Council since March 2003. She is appointed to the new District Eight.

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GOVERNOR NAMES JUDGE KENNETH NICKOLAI TO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

--Nickolai's experience and fairness make him an ideal choice, Governor says --

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today selected Judge Kenneth Nickolai to serve on the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (PUC). Nickolai currently serves as head of the Office of Administrative Hearings, where he was appointed in 1997 by Governor Arne Carlson.

“Ken Nickolai is a person of unquestioned integrity whose experience, fairness and intelligence will make him a stellar PUC Commissioner,” said Governor Pawlenty. “The state is facing significant energy and telecommunication issues. The best interests of Minnesotans will undoubtedly guide Ken’s decisions.”

The PUC is comprised of five commissioners and regulates three cornerstone service industries in Minnesota's economy: electricity, natural gas, and telephone. It is the Commission's responsibility to ensure that vendors of these services provide safe, adequate, and reliable service at fair, reasonable rates.

“As Chief Administrative Law Judge for the last six years, I’ve worked hard to ensure that everyone appearing before the court received a fair, impartial decision based on the law,” Nickolai said. “I will apply this commitment to the challenging issues facing the PUC and am grateful to Governor Pawlenty for this opportunity.”

Nickolai served as deputy commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Human Rights in 1996-97 and as director of policy and legal affairs for the department in 1995-96. He worked as staff attorney for the Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy from 1993-95 and provided consultant work for the Governor’s Commission on Reform and Efficiency in 1992-93. Nickolai also served as Assistant Regional Counsel to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in 1991.

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Nickolai earned a Master of Public Administration at the Kennedy School of Government, a Juris Doctorate from Duke University School of Law and a Bachelor's Degree from Carthage College.

Assistant Chief Administrative Law Judge, Bruce Johnson, will serve as Acting Chief Administrative Law Judge until a replacement is found.

Kenneth A. Nickolai

Prior Career

- Deputy Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Human Rights
1996-97
- Director
Policy and Legal Affairs
Minnesota Department of Human Rights
1995-96
- Staff Attorney
Minnesota Center for Environmental Advocacy
1993-95
- Consultant
Governor's Commission on Reform and Efficiency (CORE)
Minnesota Department of Administration
1992-93
- Assistant Regional Counsel
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region I (Boston)
1991-92
- Assistant Project Manager
Naragansett Bay Project

Providence, Rhode Island
1990-91

- Consultant
Study of Discrimination Against Women and Minority Owned Businesses
Minnesota Department of Administration
1989-90
- Deputy/Assistant Commissioner
Minnesota Department of Public Service
1984-88
- Special Assistant Attorney General
Minnesota Attorney General's Office
1979-84

Education

- M. of Public Administration –
Kennedy School of Government
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- B.A. – Carthage College,
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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS ALFRED ANDERSON TO THE BOARD OF MEDICAL PRACTICE

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Alfred Anderson to the Board of Medical Practice.

Alfred V. Anderson, M.D., of Prior Lake, has been a licensed Minnesota physician since 1979. He is also a licensed chiropractor, and has held this license since 1963. His medical specialty is pain management and manipulative medicine. Dr. Anderson operates the Pain Assessment & Rehabilitation Center, Ltd. in Edina. He is a Diplomat in Pain Management from the American Academy of Pain Management. Dr. Anderson serves on the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Physician/Patient Alliance. He will serve on the board as the medical doctor from the second congressional district. Dr. Anderson is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007 and replaces Dr. Peter Smyth on the board.

The Board of Medical Practice is responsible for licensing and disciplining physicians as well as the regulation of acupuncturists, athletic trainers, physician assistants, and respiratory care practitioners. The board is made up of 16 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY ANNOUNCES JUDICIAL VACANCY

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced details on the application process for the position of Chief Administrative Law Judge at the Office of Administrative Hearings. The opening occurred as a result of the resignation of Ken Nickolai to accept an appointment to the Public Utilities Commission.

Licensed attorneys in good standing interested in applying for the position should submit a letter of interest, a current résumé, and references to:

John Hultquist, Judicial Appointments Coordinator
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The deadline for receipt of all materials, including any letters of recommendation submitted on behalf of a candidate, is 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 14, 2003.

The Office of Administrative Hearings conducts administrative law hearings for most state agencies and many local governments, as well as all hearings on workers' compensation benefit claims. The office also exercises general supervision over state agency rulemaking.

The Chief Administrative Law Judge must be learned in the law and is appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Chief Judge appoints other administrative law judges and compensation judges as necessary to fulfill the duties of the office. The full-time, paid position is for a six-year term that expires on June 30, 2010. The salary is \$113,435 annually.



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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS EIGHT TO METROPOLITAN AIRPORTS COMMISSION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Kari Berman Litman and Ilona “Lonni” McCauley and the reappointment of Tom Foley, Coral Houle, John Lanners, Tammy McGee, Bert McKasy and Dr. John Williams to the Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC). The openings occurred as a result of the 2003 Legislature’s redrawing of the Metropolitan Council Districts, upon which the boundaries of the eight Twin Cities MAC Districts are based.

Berman Litman, of Minnetonka, is a business and commercial litigation attorney in private practice in Edina. Berman Litman replaces Daniel Fortier, who resigned, as a resident of the new MAC District “B” for the duration of a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Foley, of St. Paul, is an attorney with the St. Paul law firm of Hamilton, Quigley, Twait and Foley. Foley, who has served on the MAC since February 2001, is reappointed as a resident of the new District “G” for the duration of a four-year term that expires on January 3, 2005.

Houle, of Bloomington, has served on numerous civic and community boards and is the former mayor of Bloomington. Houle, who has been a member of the MAC since April 2000, is reappointed as a resident of the new District “C” for the duration of a four-year term that expires on January 3, 2005.

Lanners, of Woodbury, is president and CEO of F.T.L. Corporation, which owns MGM Liquor Warehouse stores, president of R.P. Royalties, Inc. and is an officer and partner with Acacia Real Estate Group, which specializes in commercial real estate development. Lanners is reappointed as a resident of the new MAC District “F” for the duration of a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

McCauley, of Coon Rapids, is the owner of Events of Distinction, executive director of the Anoka Technical College Foundation and the former mayor of Coon Rapids. McCauley replaces William Erhart as a resident of the new MAC District “E” for the duration of a four-year term that expires on January 3, 2005.

McGee, of Maple Grove, is vice president of finance and operations for Minneapolis Community and Technical College. McGee, who has served on the MAC since April 2003, is reappointed as a resident of the new District “A” for the duration of a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

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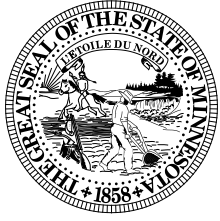
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McKasy, of Inver Grove Heights, is an attorney with Lindquist and Vennum in Minneapolis. McKasy, who has served on the MAC since June 1999, is reappointed as a resident of the new District “H” for the duration of a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Williams, DDS, of Minneapolis, is a dentist with a practice in North Minneapolis. Williams, who has served on the MAC since March 2002, is reappointed as a resident of the new District “D” for the duration of a four-year term that expires on January 3, 2005.

The Metropolitan Airports Commission promotes air transportation locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally by developing the Twin Cities metropolitan area as an aviation center. The commission consists of 15 members, including 13 appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the mayor of Minneapolis and one appointed by the mayor of St. Paul.

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PAWLENTY NAMES COMMISSIONER OF TRADE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

--Kramer's experience will help spur business growth, Governor says --

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today named Matt Kramer Commissioner of the Department of Trade and Economic Development. Kramer will “hit the ground running” the Governor said, as they are both headed to Grand Rapids on Tuesday to meet with workers and management at Blandin Paper Company.

“Job creation is a top priority of this administration,” said Pawlenty. “Matt Kramer’s experience and vision will help us innovate and improve service delivery to make Minnesota more competitive in the national and global economies.”

The Department of Trade and Economic Development’s core functions include generating jobs by spurring business growth, providing services to Minnesota workers and employers, and promoting the expansion of trade and tourism. It has 225 employees and an annual operating budget of more than \$300 million.

Pawlenty praised Kramer’s experience with Syntegra USA, a U.S. subsidiary of British Telecom, formerly Control Data Systems, where he managed marketing and communications within specific industries, which included telecommunications, manufacturing and energy. Kramer led the upgrade of technology-delivery systems for the managed services division, keeping on budget while exceeding goals by 39 percent. At CE Software, Kramer led the development of e-mail software while managing a revenue stream topping \$10 million dollars.

“The Department of Trade and Economic Development has several challenges that I can’t wait to engage,” said Kramer, “From high speed telecommunications in Greater Minnesota to facilitating the growth of existing businesses and pushing the Governor’s plan for ‘tax-free’ zones, I’m excited to be part of this administration and help move Minnesota’s economy forward.”

Kramer has a B.S. degree in geography from the University of Minnesota. He lives in Shoreview with his two children.

Cheri Pierson Yecke, Ph.D.

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PAWLENTY NAMES DR. CHERI PIERSON YECKE COMMISSIONER OF STATE'S EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

--Yecke brings attitude of change and accountability --

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today named Cheri Pierson Yecke, Ph.D., as commissioner of the state's education department. Yecke, currently an official in the U.S. Department of Education, is a former award-winning teacher and Secretary of Education in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Pawlenty said she will bring a much-needed attitude of change and accountability that will refocus the department on its core mission of increasing student achievement.

"Our schools are the best in the world, but in recent years we've lost our edge," said Governor Pawlenty. "Bringing change and accountability to Minnesota's education system is imperative. Dr. Yecke is a Minnesotan with the experience and ideas to help our schools reach a new level. She has the can-do attitude and the temperament to again make our state a leader in improved student achievement and innovation."

The Department of Children, Families, and Learning, which Pawlenty said he intends to pursue renaming the Department of Education, has an annual budget that includes over \$6 billion in state K-12 and early childhood funding. In addition to state and local funding, the agency administers over \$700 million in federal funds. Pawlenty said that as part of refocusing the department on its core mission, he will seek to rename it the Department of Education.

Pawlenty noted that Dr. Yecke has most recently worked as the Director of Teacher Quality and Public School Choice in the U.S. Department of Education, working on the impact of the new federal 'No Child Left Behind' act. During that time, she was detailed to The White House as a Senior Advisor to the USA Freedom Corps. She is a noted leader, researcher, presenter, and practitioner in K-12 education. After spending over a decade as a classroom teacher, she became a member of the Virginia State Board of Education under Governor George Allen, subsequently serving as Deputy Secretary and then Secretary of Education for the Commonwealth of Virginia under Governor Jim Gilmore.

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Yecke was born and raised in St. Paul, Minnesota. She received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Hawaii, a Masters of Science degree from the University of Wisconsin, and a Ph.D. at the University of Virginia. She and her husband will move from their current home in Chesterfield, Virginia, to begin her new job.

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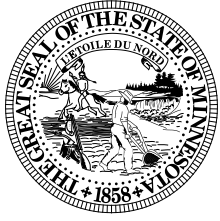
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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY NAMES VELMA KORBEL COMMISSIONER OF HUMAN RIGHTS DEPARTMENT

--Pawlenty says Korbel will bring proactive, fair approach to department --

Saint Paul – Today, Governor Tim Pawlenty named Velma Korbel as Commissioner of the Department of Human Rights. Korbel, a veteran of the U.S. Navy, was formerly the Director of Equal Opportunity at the Met Council and would be what Pawlenty called “a fair voice in protecting freedom and opportunity for all Minnesotans.”

“Velma Korbel has spent a lifetime in the trenches fighting for equal opportunity and justice,” said Governor Pawlenty. “She has a reputation for fairness and reaching out. Velma also has a track record for strengthening equal opportunity and anti-discrimination programs in times of budget challenges.”

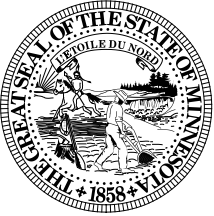
The mission of the Department of Human Rights is to stop illegal discrimination and promote equal opportunity for all people in Minnesota. The Department aims to eliminate discrimination and inter-group conflict; inform and educate the public about their rights and responsibilities under the Human Rights Act; collaborate with other agencies and groups which share common goals; and, inform and educate the public.

Pawlenty noted that Korbel is widely known and respected for her work in the Equal Opportunity community. Most recently, Korbel has served as an equal opportunity/diversity consultant to the Metropolitan Council’s Office of Diversity. Prior to that, she served as the Administrative Manager, Acting Director of Equal Opportunity/Diversity Management, and Senior Equal Opportunity Consultant at the Metropolitan Waste Control Commission. She was also the Personnel Coordinator at Volt Information Services in Orange, California. Before that, she served for six years in the United States Navy as a cryptology machine technician for the Naval Security Group Command, based in Rota, Spain and in the Azores.

“Minnesota has a rich tradition of ensuring human rights,” said Korbel. “I am honored to be a part of continuing that tradition as part of Governor Pawlenty’s administration.”

Korbel and her husband are raising three children in Andover, MN. She received her degree at National University in San Diego, California.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO RACING COMMISSION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Darcy Hitesman and Kristine Sundberg to the Minnesota Racing Commission.

Hitesman, of Maple Grove, is an attorney with Hitesman & Associates in Minneapolis. She is also a member of the Hennepin County Sheriff's Advisory Board, the Eagle Community Bank Board of Directors, and various legal professional associations. Hitesman replaces Cynthia Piper for a six-year term that expires on June 30, 2009.

Sundberg, of Minnetonka, is a strategic communications consultant with over 20 years of broad-based communications and public relations experience for a number of Fortune 500 companies. Sundberg replaces Thomas Brownell for a six-year term that expires on June 30, 2009.

In addition, the Governor named Dr. Camille McArdle, DVM, chair of the Racing Commission. McArdle, of Corcoran, is a veterinarian and has been a member of the commission since 1993.

The Minnesota Racing Commission licenses persons and organizations to operate racetracks, conduct horse racing, and conduct pari-mutuel wagering on horse racing; enforces and collects all applicable taxes and license fees; establishes a Minnesota Breeders' Fund; and, operates a card club. The commission consists of nine members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Steven Brake and Paul FitzSimmons to the Board of Animal Health.

Steven Brake, of Wilmont, is a cattle and swine producer who has been farming since 1979. He currently farms 1500 acres in Nobles County. He also serves as President of the Minnesota State Cattlemen's Association and serves on the Board of Directors of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association. He is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He holds one of the board positions for a livestock producer and replaces Todd Searles on the board.

Paul FitzSimmons, of Good Thunder, is a swine producer who has been farming since 1979. He currently owns over 4000 head of sows in Blue Earth County. He is also a partner in Protein Sources, LLP, which is a farm management company in Mapleton. He is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He holds one of the board positions for a livestock producer and replaces Sharon Baker on the board.

The Board of Animal Health oversees numerous voluntary and mandatory programs that focus on controlling and eradicating animal diseases in Minnesota. The Board consists of five members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE COUNCIL ON ASIAN-PACIFIC MINNESOTANS

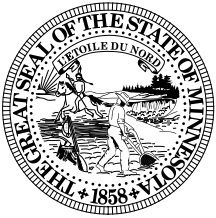
Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Stephan Huh and Rungthip Langseth to the Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans.

Stephan Huh, of Plymouth, is President and CEO of Leonard Parker Associates, an architecture firm in Minneapolis. He is Chairman of the Minnesota Korean Chamber of Commerce. Huh is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. He will serve as the Council's representative from the Korean community. Huh is reappointed to a second term on the Council.

Rungthip Langseth, of Baudette, is a Certified Nursing Assistant at LakeWood Health and Care Center in Baudette. She is active in the Southeast Asian community in Lake of the Woods and Roseau Counties. Langseth is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She will serve as the Council's representative from the Thai community. Langseth replaces Glen Ple-Plakon on the Council.

The Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans advises the Governor and Legislature on issues pertaining to Asian-Pacific Minnesotans. The Council also advocates on issues of importance to the Asian-Pacific community in Minnesota. The Council is made up of 23 members, including 19 appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY ANNOUNCES ADJUTANT GENERAL FINALIST

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced that he has received the Adjutant General Search Committee's recommendations for the Adjutant General of the Minnesota National Guard and will proceed in interviewing finalists. According to state law, the names of finalists become public information once interviews have been scheduled.

"From floods at home to armed conflict overseas, Minnesota's Adjutant General is critical to our state and national preparedness," said Governor Pawlenty. "I want to thank Chairman General John Vessey and the members of the search committee for the care and diligence they exercised in their evaluation of applicants. Minnesotans should feel comfortable that the next Adjutant General went through such a rigorous process."

The Governor announced that he has selected Major General Larry W. Shellito as a finalist for the position at this time. Other individuals have not yet been scheduled for interviews at this time.

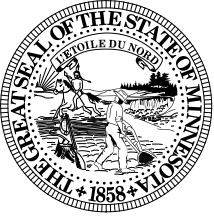
Shellito, 58, of Alexandria, is a division commander with the 34th Infantry Division of the Minnesota Army National Guard, based out of Rosemount. He has over 35 years of military service, of which three years were on active duty. He was originally enlisted in the United States Army, and graduated from the Infantry Officer Candidate School in Fort Benning, Georgia, graduating in 1969. Shellito has an extensive list of active and non-active duty assignments. He has conducted missions related to homeland security, European security, Bosnia, and Kosovo. A highly decorated soldier, Shellito was promoted from Brigadier General to Major General three years ago.

Shellito's civilian occupation is as president of Alexandria Technical College, a position he has held since 1995. Prior to that, Shellito was dean of academic affairs, and has been with the college since 1972 in a variety of capacities, beginning as an instructor. Shellito holds a doctorate of education degree from the University of Minnesota and earned a master of science, bachelor of science and bachelor of arts degree from Moorhead State College.

The Adjutant General is the administrative head of the Minnesota Department of Military Affairs and is the leader of the Minnesota National Guard. The Minnesota National Guard is comprised of over 12,000 members who are citizen-soldiers and who assist the federal Army and Air Force during times of national emergencies and the citizens of Minnesota during emergencies at the direction of the Governor.

Members of the Adjutant General Search Committee who reviewed application materials for this vacancy were Karen Himle, General Warren Lawson, retired veterans affairs commissioner Bernie Melter, Gregg Peterson, Brigadier General Dennis Schulstad, General John Vessey (chairman), and Colonel Donna Woelfel.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS ELEVEN TO THE MINNESOTA COMMISSION SERVING DEAF AND HARD OF HEARING PEOPLE

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Toni Fairbanks, Adrienne Haugen, Elise Knopf, Michele Kyler, Doug Marquardt, Clifford Miller, Jeffery Moen, Sharon Rosen, Patti Morelli Teachout, Diana van Deusen, and Kim Wassenaar to the Minnesota Commission Serving Deaf and Hard of Hearing People.

Toni Fairbanks, of Ogema, is appointed to a three-year term ending January 2, 2006. She fills the Council position for a representative of the Northwest (Fergus Falls) Advisory Council. Fairbanks replaces Cody Duncan on the Council.

Adrienne Haugen, of Olivia, is appointed to a three-year term ending January 2, 2006. She fills a Council position for an at-large member. Haugen is reappointed to a second term on the Council.

Elise Knopf, of Minneapolis, is appointed to a partial term ending January 5, 2004. She fills a Council position for an at-large member. Knopf replaces Marcia Avner on the Council.

Michele Kyler, of Crookston, is appointed to a three-year term ending January 2, 2006. She fills the Council position for a representative of the Northwest (Bemidji) Advisory Council. Kyler is reappointed to a second term on the Council.

Doug Marquardt, of Dodge Center, is appointed to a three-year term ending January 2, 2006. He fills the Council position for a representative of the Southeast Advisory Council. Marquardt is appointed to a second term on the Council.

Clifford Miller, of New Hope, is appointed to a three-year term ending January 2, 2006. He fills the Council position for a representative of the Metro Advisory Council. Miller replaces Richard Laurion on the Council.

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Jeffery Moen, of Cloquet, is appointed to a three-year term ending January 2, 2006. He fills a Council position for an at-large member. Moen previously served on the Council as the representative of the Northeast Advisory Council. Moen replaces Brian Farrell as an at-large member on the Council.

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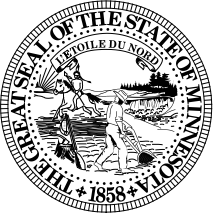
Patti Teachout, of North St. Paul, is appointed to a three-year term ending January 2, 2006. She fills a Council position for an at-large member. Teachout replaces Marian Hausladen on the Council.

Diana van Deusen, of Minneapolis, is appointed to a three-year term ending January 2, 2006. She fills a Council position for an at-large member. Van Deusen replaces Lee Pao Pao Xiong on the Council.

Kim Wassenaar, of Coon Rapids, is appointed to a three-year term ending January 2, 2006. She fills a Council position for an at-large member. Wassenaar is reappointed to a second term on the Council.

The Minnesota Commission Serving Deaf and Hard of Hearing People (MCDHH) serves as the principal state agency advocating on behalf of deaf, deaf-blind, and hard-of-hearing Minnesotans and working to ensure they have equal access to the services, programs, and opportunities available to others. The Commission is made up of 15 members appointed by the Governor.

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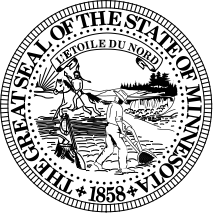
GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FORMER U.S. SENATOR DAVID DURENBERGER AS HONORARY CHAIR OF UNITED NATIONS DAY

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of former U.S. Senator David Durenberger as honorary chair of United Nations Day, which is October 24, 2003.

Durenberger served as the Senior United States Senator for Minnesota from 1978 to 1995, including service as Chairman of the Select Committee on Intelligence. Senator Durenberger currently serves as Chairman of the National Institute of Health Policy (NIHP), a program at the University of St. Thomas. Earlier this year, Governor Pawlenty also appointed Senator Durenberger to lead the Minnesota Citizen's Forum on Health Care Costs.

United Nations Day marks the anniversary of the date when the United Nations Charter went into effect. Public officials, educators, students and civic groups across the country use the occasion to hold activities to build public awareness and support for international cooperation through an even more effective United Nations. The theme of this year's United Nations Day is "Global Communities: Building a Bridge to Literacy." United Nations Day celebrations are sponsored throughout the country by the United Nations Association of the United States of America (UNA-USA).

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS SEVEN TO THE GOVERNOR'S INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL ON EARLY CHILDHOOD INTERVENTION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Jill Haak, John Hoffman, Barbara Jacobson, Debra Monahan, Mavis Ochsendorf, Jane Roundtree, and Linda Wintz to the Governor's Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Intervention.

Jill Haak, of Sartell, is appointed to a partial term ending January 2, 2006. She fills a Council position for a provider of services for children with disabilities under age five. Haak will sit in the Council seat formerly held by Linda Nelson.

John Hoffman, of Champlin, is appointed to a partial term ending January 2, 2006. He fills the Council position for a representative of an advocacy organization for children with disabilities. Hoffman will sit in the Council seat formerly held by Judy Swett.

Barbara Jacobson, of Annandale, is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She fills a Council position for a parent of a child with disabilities under age twelve. Jacobson will sit in the Council seat formerly held by Wes Mattsfield.

Debra Monahan, of Rochester, is appointed to a partial term ending January 2, 2006. She fills a Council position for a parent of a child with disabilities under age twelve. Monahan will sit in the Council seat formerly held by Jennifer Oxborough.

Mavis Ochsendorf, of Boyd, is appointed to a partial term ending January 5, 2004. She fills the Council position for a local Head Start director. Ochsendorf will sit in the Council seat formerly held by Jolyn Vigen.

Jane Roundtree, of Shoreview, is appointed to a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She fills a Council position for a provider of services for children with disabilities under age five. Roundtree will sit in the Council seat formerly held by Diane Landwehr.

Linda Wintz, of Waseca, is appointed to a partial term ending January 2, 2006. She fills the Council position for a special education director. Wintz will sit in the Council seat formerly held by Barbara Troolin.

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The Governor's Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Intervention is charged with advising on the creation of interagency programs of early childhood intervention services for children with disabilities (primarily under five years of age) and their families. The Council is made up of 17-25 members appointed by the Governor.

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COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL SELECTION ANNOUNCES SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT VACANCY

(St. Paul, MN) – The Commission on Judicial Selection today announced a Sixth Judicial District trial court bench vacancy in the city of Hibbing in St. Louis County. The vacancy will occur with the retirement of the Honorable Jeffry S. Rantala effective on October 31, 2003. The Supreme Court has certified the continuation of this judgeship for St. Louis County.

Anyone learned in the law who is a resident of the Sixth Judicial District may request an application by calling John Hultquist at 651-296-0019, via E-mail at john.hultquist@state.mn.us or by writing:

Eric J. Magnuson, Chair
Commission on Judicial Selection
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All candidates for this vacancy must submit an application. Applications and letters of recommendation must be submitted to the above address so they are received no later than 4:30 p.m. on **Friday, November 14, 2003.**

Applicants are asked not to contact the commission members individually, as the nine at-large members and the four district members will conduct interviews at a later date.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS MAJOR GENERAL LARRY W. SHELLITO OF ALEXANDRIA AS ADJUTANT GENERAL

~Shellito brings 35 years of military experience, including active duty, to the job~

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Major General Larry W. Shellito as Adjutant General of the Minnesota National Guard. Shellito, 58, of Alexandria, is a division commander with the 34th Infantry Division of the Minnesota Army National Guard based in Rosemount.

“Experience, a lifetime of service, seasoned judgment, and the ability to inspire and lead the Minnesota National Guard make General Shellito the ideal person for this job,” said Governor Pawlenty. “Rising through the ranks as an Army soldier to Major General, Larry Shellito has a proven track record of outstanding leadership. Larry has distinguished himself as a dedicated, experienced military professional, and I am confident he will serve Minnesotans well.”

Shellito, who will assume his duties as Adjutant General on November 3, 2003, was originally enlisted in the United States Army, and graduated from the Infantry Officer Candidate School in Fort Benning, Georgia in 1969. His 35 years of military experience include three years of active duty. Shellito has an extensive list of active and non-active duty assignments. He has conducted missions related to homeland security, European security, Bosnia, and Kosovo. A highly decorated soldier, Shellito was promoted from Brigadier General to Major General three years ago.

Shellito’s civilian occupation is as president of Alexandria Technical College, a position he has held since 1995. Prior to that, Shellito was dean of academic affairs, and has been with the college since 1972 in a variety of capacities, beginning as an instructor. Shellito holds a doctorate of education degree from the University of Minnesota and earned a master of science, bachelor of science and bachelor of arts degree from Moorhead State College.

“Governor Pawlenty has made clear the importance of Minnesota’s preparedness in the face of an emergency or armed conflict,” Major General Shellito said. “I am proud to serve the State in this position and will work hard to provide strong leadership for the Minnesota National Guard.”

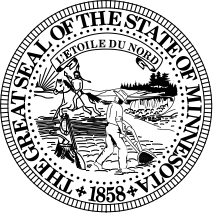
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The Adjutant General is the administrative head of the Minnesota Department of Military Affairs and is the leader of the Minnesota National Guard. The Minnesota National Guard is comprised of over 12,000 members who are citizen-soldiers and who assist the federal Army and Air Force during times of national emergencies and the citizens of Minnesota during emergencies at the direction of the Governor. The position pays \$123,000 per year.

An Adjutant General Search Committee, chaired by General John Vessey, who was a former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff under President Reagan, made recommendations to the Governor. Other members of the Adjutant General Search Committee who reviewed application materials for this vacancy were Karen Himle, former Iowa Adjutant General Warren Lawson, retired veterans affairs commissioner Bernie Melter, Gregg Peterson, Brigadier General Dennis Schulstad, and Colonel Donna Woelfel.

An installation ceremony for General Shellito is scheduled for Tuesday, November 4 at 10:00 am in the Capitol Rotunda.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS NINE TO THE MINNESOTA BOARD ON AGING

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Antoinette Baker, Sharon Bring, Richard Jackson, David Janovy, Mary Koep, Grace Lee, Ann Meissner, Jeanette Metz, and Julie Storm to the Minnesota Board on Aging. Governor Pawlenty also appointed Jeanette Metz as the Chairperson of the Board.

Jeanette Metz, of Mound, retired in 1999 as Administrative Director of Community Services for Older Adults at the Amherst H. Wilder Foundation in St. Paul. She received a B.A. degree from Metropolitan State University in St. Paul. Metz is reappointed as an at-large member for a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. This will be her second term on the board. Metz is also appointed as the chairperson of the board.

Antoinette Baker, of Woodbury, served as Executive Director of the Metropolitan Area Agency on Aging until 2002. She received a B.A. degree from Whittier College in Whittier, California. Baker is appointed as an at-large member for a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She replaces Ken Moritz as a member of the board.

Sharon Bring, of Strandquist, currently serves as a Marshall County Commissioner. She also serves as Vice Chair of the Lutheran Social Services Board which serves meals to seniors in Marshall County. Bring is appointed as an at-large member for a partial term ending January 5, 2004. She replaces Marjorie Jamieson on the board.

Richard Jackson, of Princeton, is a former Mille Lacs County Commissioner. He also previously served on the Mille Lacs County Health Board and Social Services Board. Jackson is reappointed as an at-large member for a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. This is his second term on the board.

David Janovy, of Mankato, is Professor Emeritus of Sociology and Gerontology at Minnesota State University—Mankato. He received a Ph.D. degree from the University of Nebraska. Janovy is reappointed as an at-large member for a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. This is his second term on the board.

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Mary Koep, of Brainerd, currently serves as a member of the Brainerd City Council. She is a former Crow Wing County Commissioner. She also previously served as two-term member of the Board on Aging. Koep is appointed as an at-large member for a partial term ending January 3, 2005. She replaces Robert Waterman on the board.

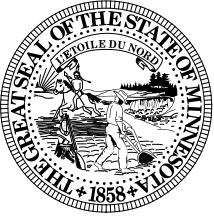
Grace Lee, of Minneapolis, is the founder of the Korean Service Center in Minneapolis. She also serves as a Commissioner on the Minneapolis Public Housing Authority. Lee received M.S.W. and M.Ed. degrees from the University of Minnesota. She is appointed as an at-large member for a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She replaces Ellen Johnson on the board.

Ann Meissner, of St. Paul, currently works as a licensed psychologist in private practice. She previously worked as an adjunct professor at St. Mary's University in Minneapolis. Meissner received a Ph.D. degree from the University of Wisconsin. She is appointed as an at-large member for a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She replaces Dan Segura on the board.

Julie Storm, of Mankato, is Community Sales and Outreach Representative for Alterra Sterling House, an assisted living residence in Mankato. She also previously served as a member of the Minnesota House of Representatives from 1999-2000. Storm is appointed as an at-large member for a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. She replaces Elaine White on the board.

The Minnesota Board on Aging was established in 1956 to plan for and meet the needs of Minnesota's seniors. The board administers more than \$30 million in federal and state grants every year. The board consists of 25 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS PREECE TO RACING COMMISSION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Kathleen Preece to the Minnesota Racing Commission.

Preece, of Bemidji, is founder of Preece Publishing in Grand Rapids and Bemidji and publisher and editor of BetterFORESTS magazine, a quarterly publication written for Minnesota's non-industrial private forest landowners. Preece replaces John Farrell for a six-year term that expires on June 30, 2009.

The Minnesota Racing Commission licenses persons and organizations to operate racetracks, conduct horse racing, and conduct pari-mutuel wagering on horse racing; enforces and collects all applicable taxes and license fees; establishes a Minnesota Breeders' Fund; and, operates a card club. The commission consists of nine members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE COUNCIL

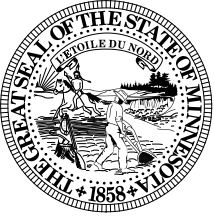
Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Michael McGarvey and Marla Ordway to the Governor's Residence Council. Both are appointed to four-year terms that expire on January 1, 2007.

McGarvey, of Minneapolis, is a landscape architect with SRF Consulting Group, Inc. and is president of the Minnesota Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects. McGarvey replaces Lance Neckar as a representative of the American Society of Landscape Architects.

Ordway, of Mahtomedi, is an interior designer for Pratt Ordway Properties, a member of the Ramsey County Historical Society Board and past president of the St. Paul Garden Club. Ordway replaces Julia Barkley as a public member.

The Governor's Residence Council develops and implements an overall restoration plan for the governor's residence and surrounding grounds and solicits contributions to restore, maintain, improve and furnish the building. The council consists of 19 members, including 13 appointed by the Governor.

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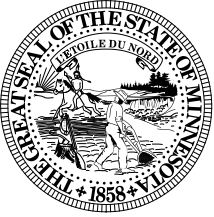
GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS JOSEPH LEE TO THE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGY

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Joseph Yiu Cho Lee to the Board of Psychology.

Lee, of Faribault, is a licensed psychologist (LP) at the master's degree level. He currently works at the State Correctional Facility in Stillwater. Lee also operates Eastern Psychological Services, a clinic specializing in culturally sensitive therapy, minority issues, and family therapy. He was previously employed at the State Regional Treatment Center in Faribault. Lee received a M.A. in Clinical Psychology from Minnesota State University—Mankato. He is appointed as a master's level licensed psychologist on the board and will serve a partial term ending January 5, 2004. Lee replaces Jane White Schneeweis on the board.

The Board of Psychology is responsible for licensing and disciplining psychologists. The board is made up of 11 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS CHRISTINE WILSON TO THE BOARD OF PERPICH CENTER FOR ARTS EDUCATION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Christine Wilson to the Board of the Perpich Center for Arts Education.

Wilson, of Otsego, is a professional artist, working in sculpture, painting, and textiles. She received a B.S. in Art Education from the University of Minnesota. Wilson previously taught art at the Bar None Boy's Ranch in St. Francis, Minnesota. She also taught art in New South Wales, Australia. Wilson continues her involvement in arts education as a substitute art teacher. Wilson is appointed as the board member from the sixth Congressional District. She will serve a four-year term ending January 1, 2007. Wilson replaces Robert Tracy on the board.

The Perpich Center for Arts Education is located in Golden Valley. The Perpich Center includes the Arts High School, which is a tuition-free public high school for 310 students in grades 11 and 12. The Arts High School includes students from every congressional district, and graduated its first class in 1990. The Perpich Center also conducts research into arts education and acts as a resource for schools, teachers, students, and artists. The Perpich Center is governed by a board of 15 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS SENATOR CAL LARSON TO THE SEAWAY PORT AUTHORITY OF DULUTH

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of State Senator Cal Larson as a Commissioner on the Seaway Port Authority of Duluth.

Larson, of Fergus Falls, has a strong interest in areas which affect the Duluth port, including natural resources, economic development and international trade. For the past twelve years, he has represented Minnesota on the Great Lakes Commission. Larson began his legislative service in the Minnesota House of Representatives, serving 1966-74. In 1986, he was elected to the Minnesota Senate and is currently serving his sixth term there. Larson is a former president of the Fergus Falls Rotary Club and former chair of the Concordia College Board of Regents. He received a B.A. degree from Concordia College, Moorhead, and served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. Larson is appointed to a six-year term ending January 5, 2009. He replaces Sharon Clark on the Board of Commissioners.

The Seaway Port Authority of Duluth fosters regional maritime and trade development and serves as an advocate for port interests. The Port Authority is an independent public agency which manages two tax increment financing districts, owns waterfront properties, and an industrial park near Duluth International Airport. The Port Authority is governed by a seven-member Board of Commissioners, including two members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TEN TO GOVERNOR'S WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Sharon Bredeson, Kathleen Carney, Mary L. Nichols, Ph.D., Beverly O'Connor, Terance Smith, and Inez Wildwood and the reappointment of LaDonna Boyd, Don Gerdesmeier, Larry Mareck, and Sandra Peterson to the Governor's Workforce Development Council.

Boyd, of Farmington, is the economic development director for Dakota Electric Association and chair of the Dakota County Workforce Investment Board. She has been a member of the Governor's Workforce Development Council and its predecessor, the Governor's Job Training Council, since 1995. Boyd is appointed as a representative of community-based organizations for a three-year term that expires on June 30, 2006.

Bredeson, of Minneapolis, is owner and chief executive officer of Staff-Plus, Inc. and a member of the Minneapolis Workforce Investment Board. Bredeson is appointed as a representative of business to a three-year term that expires on June 30, 2006.

Carney, of Nevis, is chief executive officer of Teamworks, Inc., a private, non-profit provider of human resource services based out of Park Rapids. Carney replaces William Negaard as a representative of a community-based organization for a three-year term that expires on June 30, 2006.

Gerdesmeier, of Minneapolis, is a member of the Teamsters Union and is its D.R.I.V.E. representative. He has been a member of the Governor's Workforce Development Council and its predecessor, the Governor's Job Training Council, since 1995. Gerdesmeier is reappointed as a representative of labor to a three-year term that expires on June 30, 2006.

Mareck, of Albany, is president of the St. Cloud Building and Construction Trades Council and a member of the Carpenters Union #930. Mareck, who has been a member of the Governor's Workforce Development Council since 2000, is reappointed as a representative of labor for a three-year term that expires on June 30, 2006.

Nichols, of St. Paul, is the dean of the University of Minnesota's College of Continuing Education and a professor of strategic management and organization at the Carlson School of Management. Nichols replaces Robert Bruininks as a representative of post-secondary education for a three-year term that expires on June 30, 2006.

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O'Connor, of Marshall, is a business education teacher with the Marshall Public Schools and represents education on the Southwest Minnesota Workforce Council. O'Connor replaces David MacKenzie as a representative of school-based service learning for a three-year term that expires on June 30, 2006.

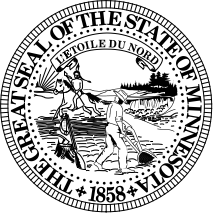
Peterson, of New Hope, is vice president of Education Minnesota, the American Federation of Teachers and Minnesota AFL-CIO. She has been a member of the Governor's Workforce Development Council since 1999. Peterson is appointed as a representative of secondary vocational institutions for a three-year term that expires on June 30, 2006.

Smith, of Forest Lake, is a journeyman furniture refinisher and a member of Teamsters Local #638. Smith is appointed as a representative of labor for a three-year term that expires on June 30, 2006.

Wildwood, of Duluth, works in the human resources division at Minnesota Power/ALLETE, Inc. in Duluth and is currently chairperson of the Duluth Workforce Council. Wildwood replaces Wayne DeBruin, who resigned, as a representative of business to complete a three-year term that expires on June 30, 2005.

The Governor's Workforce Development Council coordinates the development, implementation, and evaluation of the statewide education and employment transitions system and Minnesota youth services programs. The council consists of 32 members, including 28 appointed by the Governor.

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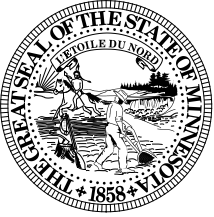
GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS ELEASALO ALE TO THE COUNCIL ON ASIAN-PACIFIC MINNESOTANS

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Eleasalo (Salo) Ale to the Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans.

Ale, of Hopkins, is a partner at the Faegre & Benson law firm in Minneapolis. Prior to joining Faegre and Benson, he was a law clerk for the Chief Judge of the Hawaii Intermediate Court of Appeals. Ale is a member of the Board of Directors of the Pacific Islands Center for Educational Development. He is also a member of the Samoan Association of Minnesota. Ale received his J.D. degree from Drake University Law School in Des Moines, Iowa. He received a B.A. in Political Science from Northeast Missouri State University in Kirksville, Missouri. A South Pacific Islander originally from the U.S. Territory of American Samoa, Ale will serve as the Council's representative from the Samoan community. He is appointed to the remainder of a term ending January 2, 2006. Ale replaces A. Ghafar Lakanwal on the Council.

The Council on Asian-Pacific Minnesotans advises the Governor and Legislature on issues pertaining to Asian-Pacific Minnesotans. The Council also advocates on issues of importance to the Asian-Pacific community in Minnesota. The Council is made up of 23 members, including 19 appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS NINE TO THE BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND THERAPY

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Catherine Cullen-Benson, Patricia Fogal, Douglas Frisk, Kristen Piper, Duane Reynolds, Walter Roberts, Jr., Nicholas Ruiz, Karen Stokes, and Colin Ward to the Board of Behavioral Health and Therapy.

Catherine Cullen-Benson, of Oakdale, is an Employee Assistance Consultant at Ceridian Performance Partners in Eagan. She previously worked as Patient Services Intake Coordinator at MacNeil Hospital in Berwyn, Illinois. She is a Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor (LADC) in Minnesota and a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) in Illinois. Cullen-Benson received a B.A. in Psychology and a M.A. in Counseling Psychology from Illinois State University in Normal, Illinois. She is appointed as a LADC member for a term expiring January 1, 2007.

Patricia Fogal, of Duluth, is a pastoral counselor in private practice. She is a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) in Pennsylvania and Wisconsin. Fogal received a A.B. in Philosophy from Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania, a Master's of Library Science from the State University of New York at Albany, a Ph.D. in Higher Education from the State University of New York at Buffalo, and a M.S. in Pastoral Counseling from Loyola College in Maryland. She is appointed as a LPC member for a term expiring January 1, 2007.

Douglas Frisk, of New Brighton, recently retired after 35 years as a health education teacher at South Washington County Schools. He continues to serve as an Adjunct Professor at the Hamline Graduate School of Education in Minneapolis. Frisk received a B.A. in Health and Physical Education from Augsburg College in St. Paul, and a M.A. and Ph.D. in Education from the University of Minnesota. He also served as a member and as the vice chair of the Minnesota Board of Teaching. Frisk is appointed as a public member for a term expiring January 5, 2004.

Kristen Piper, of St. Louis Park, previously worked as Director of the Oklahoma Diagnostic and Evaluation Center for Children in Norman, Oklahoma. She also previously worked in private practice in Oklahoma. Piper is a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) and Certified School Counselor in Oklahoma. She previously was a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist (LMFT) in Oklahoma. Piper received a B.A. in Psychology and a Master's of Human Relations from the University of Oklahoma. She is appointed as a LPC member for a term expiring January 2, 2006.

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Duane Reynolds, of New Hope, is Associate Executive Director of the Vinland Center in Loretto. He previously worked as Director of Chemical Dependency and Allied Mental Health at Healthone-Mercy/Unity Hospital in Minneapolis. He is a Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor (LADC) in Minnesota. Reynolds received a B.A. in Business Administration from Metropolitan State University in St. Paul. He is also currently chair of the Minnesota Department of Health's LADC Advisory Committee. He is appointed as a LADC member for a term ending January 5, 2004.

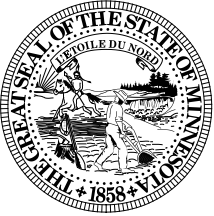
Walter Roberts, Jr., of North Mankato, is a Professor of Counselor Education at Minnesota State University—Mankato. He is a Licensed School Counselor in Minnesota and a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) in Arkansas. Roberts holds a B.A. in Psychology from Hendrix College in Conway, Arkansas, and a M.Ed. and Ed.D. in Counselor Education from the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville. He previously served as a member and as the chair of the Minnesota Board of Teaching. He is appointed as a LPC member for a term ending January 5, 2004.

Nicholas Ruiz, of Inver Grove Heights, is a Professor of Counselor Education at Winona State University—Rochester Center. He also works as a psychologist in private practice in Inver Grove Heights. Ruiz serves as a volunteer supervisor at the Walk-In Counseling Center in Minneapolis. He is a Licensed Psychologist (LP) in Minnesota. Ruiz holds a B.A. in Psychology and a Ph.D. in Counseling Psychology from the University of Minnesota. He is appointed as a LPC member for a term ending January 1, 2007.

Karen Stokes, of Cass Lake, is a Partner in the Four Winds Center for Wellness in Bemidji. She previously served as Director of Behavioral Health Services at St. Francis Medical Center in Breckenridge. Stokes is a Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor (LADC) in Minnesota and a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC) in North Dakota. She received a B.S. in Elementary Education from Minnesota State University—Moorhead and a M.Ed. in Counseling from North Dakota State University. She is appointed as a LADC member for a term ending January 1, 2007.

Colin Ward, of Winona, is an Associate Professor of Counselor Education and the Director of the Counselor Training Institute at Winona State University. He is a Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker in Wisconsin. He received a B.A. in Special and Elementary Education from the University of Northern Colorado in Greeley, a M.S. in Community and School Counseling from Winona State University, and a Ph.D. in Counseling from Oregon State University in Corvallis. He is appointed as a LPC member for a term ending January 3, 2005.

The Board of Behavioral Health and Therapy is responsible for licensing and disciplining Licensed Professional Counselors (LPCs) and Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors (LADCs). The board will create the LPC license in Minnesota. The board is made up of thirteen members appointed by the Governor. All named appointees are initial members of this board which was created in 2003.



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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY ANNOUNCES VACANCY FOR DIRECTOR OF HIGHER EDUCATION SERVICES OFFICE *~ Director Will Serve as Governor's Chief Advisor on Higher Education ~*

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced details on the application process for the position of Director of the Higher Education Services Office (HESO). The position will become available on December 30, 2003.

Governor Pawlenty said he is looking for a strong leader and change agent who can help keep Minnesota a national leader in higher education

The Governor expects the Director to serve as his chief advisor on higher education policy and budget issues. The Director will lead the Higher Education Services Office (HESO), a state agency with over 60 employees and a fiscal year 2004 budget of \$318 million.

Among its many responsibilities, HESO: (1) administers financial aid programs, (2) licenses private collegiate and career schools, (3) administers interstate tuition reciprocity programs, (4) administers the Minnesota Education Telecommunications Council, (5) oversees two statewide library programs, and (6) collects data on enrollments and financial aid.

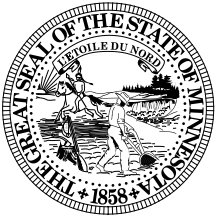
The Director of the Higher Education Services Office is a new Governor's appointee and serves at his pleasure. The position is in the unclassified service and is subject to confirmation by the Senate. The Director will report to the Governor. More information on HESO can be found at: www.mheso.state.mn.us.

Individuals interested in applying for the position should submit a letter of interest, a current résumé, and references to:

John Berns, Appointments Coordinator
Office of Governor Tim Pawlenty
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St. Paul, MN 55155
FAX: 651-296-0056
EMAIL: john.berns@state.mn.us

The deadline for receipt of all materials, including any letters of recommendation submitted on behalf of a candidate, is 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 4, 2003.

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Contact: Leslie Kupchella

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Communications Office

651-296-0001

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL SELECTION ANNOUNCES FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT VACANCIES

(St. Paul, MN) – The Commission on Judicial Selection today announced two First Judicial District trial court bench vacancies.

The first vacancy will occur with the retirement of the Honorable Thomas R. Howe effective on December 2, 2003. The Supreme Court certified the continuation of this judgeship for Scott County.

The second vacancy will occur with the retirement of the Honorable Thomas M. Murphy effective on January 3, 2004. The Supreme Court certified the continuation of this judgeship for Dakota County.

Anyone learned in the law who is a resident of the First Judicial District may request an application for either or both positions by calling John Hultquist at 651-296-0019, via E-mail at john.hultquist@state.mn.us or by writing:

Eric J. Magnuson, Chair
Commission on Judicial Selection
130 State Capitol
75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55155

All candidates for these vacancies must submit an application. Applications and letters of recommendation for either or both positions must be submitted to the above address so they are received no later than 4:30 p.m. on **Thursday, December 18, 2003.**

Applicants are asked not to contact the commission members individually, as the nine at-large members and the four district members will conduct interviews at a later date.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
November 25, 2003

Contact: Leslie Kupchella
651-296-0001

GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS THREE TO THE REHABILITATION COUNCIL FOR THE BLIND

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Lynette Boyer, Merle Ford, and Rebecca Kragnes to the Rehabilitation Council for the Blind.

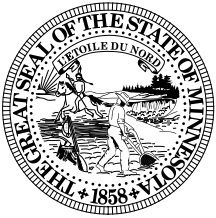
Lynette Boyer, of Otsego, is the Treasurer of the Minnesota Deaf-Blind Association. She is appointed as the Council member who is a representative of the deaf-blind community. This is a new position on the Council. Boyer is appointed to the remainder of a four-year term ending January 1, 2007.

Merle Ford, of Columbia Heights, serves on the Board of Directors of United Blind of Minnesota. He is appointed as the Council member who is a representative of an advocacy organization (United Blind of Minnesota). This is a new position on the Council. Ford is appointed to the remainder of a four-year term ending January 1, 2007.

Rebecca Kragnes, of Minneapolis, serves as Vice President of the American Council of the Blind—Minnesota. She is appointed as the Council member who is a representative of an advocacy organization (American Council of the Blind—Minnesota). This is a new position on the Council. Kragnes is appointed to the remainder of a four-year term ending January 1, 2007.

The Rehabilitation Council for the Blind gives advice and recommendations to the Minnesota Commissioner of Economic Security and the State Services for the Blind concerning products and services for the blind. The Council consists of eighteen members appointed by the Governor, as well as an ex-officio member from the State Services for the Blind.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE BOARD OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND THERAPY

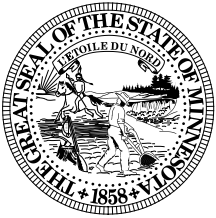
Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Freddie Davis-English and Kaarin Long to the Board of Behavioral Health and Therapy. Both appointees are initial members of this board which was created in 2003.

Freddie Davis-English, of Plymouth, has been employed by the Hennepin County Department of Community Corrections for over 32 years, and currently serves as co-chair of the management team for the Teen Parent Connection. She also serves on the board of directors of African American Family Services and as a member of the Supreme Court Race Bias Task Force. Davis-English was educated at Lincoln University in Jefferson City, Missouri, Tulsa University in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and at the University of Minnesota's Hubert Humphrey Institute. She is appointed as a public member for a term expiring January 3, 2005.

Kaarin Long, of St. Paul, is Staff Attorney for the Sexual Violence Justice Institute at the Minnesota Coalition Against Sexual Assault. An experienced felony level prosecutor, she previously served as an Assistant County Attorney in Dakota County and as Senior Assistant County Attorney in Olmsted County. Long received a B.A. in Psychology and a J.D. from the University of South Dakota. She also previously served in the Iowa Air National Guard. She is appointed as a public member for a term expiring January 2, 2006.

The Board of Behavioral Health and Therapy is responsible for licensing and disciplining Licensed Professional Counselors (LPCs) and Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselors (LADCs). The board will create the LPC license in Minnesota. The board is made up of 13 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FOUR TO THE GOVERNOR'S INTERAGENCY COORDINATING COUNCIL ON EARLY CHILDHOOD INTERVENTION

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of State Senator Claire Robling, State Representative Lynda Boudreau, Veneta Lykken, and Barbara Wolfe to the Governor's Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Intervention.

Senator Claire Robling, of Jordan, represents portions of Scott County, including the cities of Shakopee, Savage, Prior Lake, Jordan, New Market, and Elko. She was first elected to the Minnesota Senate in 1996, and was re-elected in 2000 and 2002. Robling serves as co-chair of the Legislative Caucus on Early Childhood. She is a former member of the Senate Family and Early Childhood Committee, which is now part of the Senate E-12 Education Committee. Robling was elected to the position of Assistant Senate Minority Leader. She is appointed as the State Senator member of the Council for a term ending January 1, 2007. Robling fills the seat formerly held by Senator Pat Piper.

Representative Lynda Boudreau, of Faribault, represents portions of Rice and Steele Counties, including the cities of Faribault, Warsaw, Morristown, Medford, Blooming Prairie, Ellendale, and rural Owatonna. She was first elected to the Minnesota House of Representatives in 1994, and was re-elected in 1996, 1998, 2000, and 2002. Boudreau serves as chair of the House Health and Human Services Policy Committee. She also serves as a member of the House Health and Human Services Finance Committee. Boudreau was elected to serve as Speaker Pro Tempore of the Minnesota House of Representatives. She is appointed as the State Representative member of the Council for a term ending January 1, 2007. Boudreau fills the seat formerly held by Representative Jim Abeler.

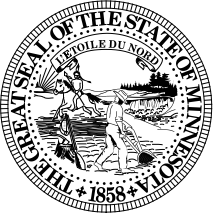
Veneta Lykken, of Minneapolis, is the parent of five children, including three on the Autism Spectrum, representing a wide range of abilities. She currently serves on the Children's Hospital Family Advisory Council. Lykken previously served on the Minneapolis Interagency Early Intervention Committee. She is the producer and director of the documentary "Through Our Eyes," which describes the experience of children with Autism. Lykken fills a Council position for a parent of a child with disabilities under age five. She will serve a term ending January 1, 2007. This is her second term on the Council.

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Barbara Wolfe, of Maplewood, is an Associate Professor of Special Education at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul. She previously served as an Instructor and Coordinator of the Early Childhood Project at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. She received a B.S. in Elementary Education from Carroll College in Waukesha, Wisconsin, a M.Ed. in Special Education from the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, and a Ph.D. in Early Childhood-Special Education from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. Wolfe fills the Council position for a representative of teacher preparation programs in early childhood-special education. She will serve a term ending January 3, 2005. Wolfe fills the seat formerly held by Mary McEvoy.

The Governor's Interagency Coordinating Council on Early Childhood Intervention is charged with advising on the creation of interagency programs of early childhood intervention services for children with disabilities (primarily under five years of age) and their families. The Council is made up of 17-25 members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS PAIGE WINEBARGER TO THE MINNESOTA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Paige Winebarger to the Minnesota Environmental Quality Board.

Winebarger, of Bloomington, retired in 2001 as Senior Vice President and General Counsel of Marquette Financial Companies in Minneapolis. She previously served as an attorney for the Federal Reserve System and as Assistant Commissioner of Banks and the Minnesota Department of Commerce.

Winebarger currently serves as Vice Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Nature Conservancy of Minnesota and as Vice Chair of the Board of Directors of the Wildlife Rehabilitation Center of Minnesota. She previously served as Board Member and Chair of the Raptor Center at the University of Minnesota and as Board Member and Officer of Friends of the Minnesota River Valley.

Winebarger received a B.S. in Business Education from Longwood College in Farmville, Virginia and a J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law in Charlottesville, Virginia. She is appointed as a public member of the board for the remainder of a term ending January 5, 2004. She replaces Brian Kaden on the board.

The Minnesota Environmental Quality Board (EQB) helps coordinate the actions of the major state agencies, and is charged with providing the Governor and the Legislature tools to address environmental issues that do not fit under the other state environmental agencies. The board consists of 16 members, including five public members appointed by the Governor.

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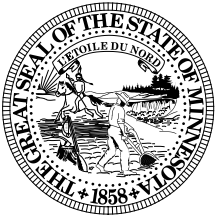
GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TOM REVIER TO THE AGRICULTURAL CHEMICAL RESPONSE COMPENSATION BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Tom Revier to the Agricultural Chemical Response Compensation Board.

Tom Revier has been farming since 1991. He is a partner with his brother and father in a 3500 acre farm which includes beef cattle. In 2001, Revier founded Medallion Beef Company, a wholesale portion-cut steak internet business. He received a bachelor's degree with a triple major in business administration, accounting, and economics from Concordia College. Tom and his wife Libby live with their two children in rural Olivia. He is appointed as the board member representing farmers and will serve a term ending January 1, 2007. Revier replaces June Varner on the board.

The Agricultural Chemical Response Compensation Board provides reimbursement for the clean-up cost of pesticide and fertilizer spills. Reimbursement funds come from the Agricultural Chemical Response Compensation Account (ACCRA). The board is made up of five members, including three appointed by the Governor.

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Contact: Dan Wolter

651-296-0001

COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL SELECTION ANNOUNCES FINALISTS FOR SIXTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT VACANCY

Saint Paul – The Commission on Judicial Selection today announced three finalists for a Sixth Judicial District trial court bench vacancy in the city of Hibbing in St. Louis County. The opening occurred with the retirement of the Honorable Jeffry S. Rantala on October 31, 2003. The finalists are Sharon Chadwick, Gordon Coldagelli and Mark Starr.

Chadwick, of Eveleth, has been an assistant St. Louis County attorney in Virginia since 2001. Prior to that, Chadwick was a solo practitioner in Virginia and an assistant Sixth Judicial District Public Defender from 1992 to 2001. She was a staff attorney for Legal Aid of Northeast Minnesota from 1989 to 1991, and a judicial law clerk in Hibbing from 1988 to 1989. Chadwick earned her juris doctorate degree from the University of Oregon School of Law in 1987, and her bachelor of arts degree from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1982.

Coldagelli, of Eveleth, is a senior attorney in the criminal division of the St. Louis County attorney's office in Virginia. He has been an assistant St. Louis County attorney since 1987. Coldagelli was an associate attorney with the Virginia law firm of Cope and Peterson from 1985 to 1987; a solo practitioner in Eveleth and a public defender from 1983 to 1985; and an associate attorney with the Hibbing law firm of Matonich and Persson from 1981 to 1983. Coldagelli earned his juris doctorate degree from the University of North Dakota School of Law in Grand Forks, North Dakota in 1981 and his bachelor of arts degree from the University of Minnesota, Duluth, in 1978.

Starr, of Hibbing, is a senior assistant St. Louis County attorney in Virginia. He has been with the St. Louis county attorney's office since 1988. Starr was an attorney with the Hibbing law firm of Matonich and Persson from 1983 to 1988; a law clerk for Sixth Judicial District Judge Joseph Scherkenbach in Hibbing from 1982 to 1983; and an attorney with the Minneapolis law firm of Peterson, Engberg and Peterson in 1982. Starr earned his juris doctorate degree from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1981 and his bachelor of arts degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1978.

The Commission on Judicial Selection screens judicial candidates and makes recommendations to the Governor for district court vacancies that occur during the term of a judge. The commission consists of 13 members: nine at-large members and four members from the judicial district. The commission members include attorneys and non-attorneys appointed by the governor and the Minnesota Supreme Court. The commission received 14 applications for this judicial vacancy.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
December 12, 2003

Contact: Leslie Kupchella
651-296-0001

APPLICATION DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR DIRECTOR OF HIGHER EDUCATION SERVICES OFFICE OPENING *~ Director Will Serve as Governor's Chief Advisor on Higher Education ~*

Saint Paul – The Governor's Office today announced an extension in the deadline for applications for the position of Executive Director of the Higher Education Services Office (HESO). Applications may now be submitted until December 19, 2003. The previous deadline was December 4, 2003.

In appointing a HESO Executive Director, Governor Pawlenty said he is looking for a strong leader and change agent who can help keep Minnesota a national leader in higher education

The Governor expects the Director to serve as his chief advisor on higher education policy and budget issues. The Director will lead the Higher Education Services Office (HESO), a state agency with over 60 employees and a fiscal year 2004 budget of \$318 million.

Among its many responsibilities, HESO: (1) administers financial aid programs, (2) licenses private collegiate and career schools, (3) administers interstate tuition reciprocity programs, (4) administers the Minnesota Education Telecommunications Council, (5) oversees two statewide library programs, and (6) collects data on enrollments and financial aid.

The Director of the Higher Education Services Office is a new Governor's appointee and serves at his pleasure. The position is in the unclassified service and is subject to confirmation by the Senate. The Director will report to the Governor. More information on HESO can be found at: www.mheso.state.mn.us.

Individuals interested in applying for the position should submit a letter of interest, a current résumé, and references to:

John Berns, Appointments Coordinator
Office of Governor Tim Pawlenty
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St. Paul, MN 55155
FAX: 651-296-0056
EMAIL: john.berns@state.mn.us

The deadline for receipt of all materials, including any letters of recommendation submitted on behalf of a candidate, is 4:30 p.m. on Friday, December 19, 2003.

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December 16, 2003

Contact:

Leslie Kupchella

651-296-0061

Communications Office

651-296-0001

GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS DENNIS TO BARBER BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Callmie Dennis to the Board of Barber Examiners.

Dennis, of Richfield, is nurse consultant with ING/ReliaStar and an on-call, urgent care nurse with Aspen Medical Group in Bloomington. Dennis replaces DeAnna Bahn as a public member for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

The Board of Barber Examiners examines, registers and licenses barbers; enforces statutes regulating barbers, barber instructors, barber schools and shops. The Board consists of four members appointed by the Governor, including three barbers and one public member..

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS TWO TO THE BOARD OF DIETETICS AND NUTRITION PRACTICE

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Wai Yee Lee and Jennifer Kay Nelson to the Board of Dietetics and Nutrition Practice.

Wai Yee Lee, of Faribault, works as a consultant at Trans Cultural Services. She is also employed as a Chinese interpreter-translator at both Kim Tong Translation Services and at Garden Translation. Lee also serves as a member of the Faribault School District Board of Education. She is President of the Southern Chinese Organization and serves on the Board of Directors of the Center for Reducing Rural Violence, the Faribault Diversity Coalition, and the United Way of Faribault. Lee received a Bachelor of Education degree from National Taiwan Normal University. She is appointed as a public member of the board for the remainder of a term ending August 1, 2005. She will fill a seat caused by the resignation of Randall Brown.

Jennifer Kay Nelson, of Rochester, is Director of Clinical Dietetics at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester. In her present position she leads a staff of 60 clinical dietitians, 9 dietetic technicians, and 2 nutrition assistants. Nelson is a founding member of the Minnesota Chapter of the American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition. She also serves on the editorial advisory board of the clinical journal Nutrition in Clinical Practice. She received a B.S. in Dietetics and Nutrition from the University of Minnesota and a M.S. in Nutrition from the University of Wisconsin-Stout in Menomonie, Wisconsin. Nelson is a Licensed Dietitian in Minnesota. She is appointed as a licensed dietitian member of the board for a term ending August 1, 2007. She replaces Marita Haberman on the board.

The Board of Dietetics and Nutrition Practice is responsible for licensing and disciplining dietitians and nutritionists. The board is made up of seven members appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS WALTER KRAMER TO THE BOARD OF THE MINNESOTA STATE ACADEMIES

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Walter Kramer to the Board of the Minnesota State Academies.

Walter Kramer, of Duluth, recently retired as a Staff Writer at Minnesota Power in Duluth. His lengthy career also included work as Executive Secretary for the Duluth Mayor's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped. Kramer is a 1964 graduate of the Minnesota State Academy of the Blind (MSAB) and received a B.A. in Speech from the University of Minnesota-Duluth. From 1999-2001 he represented MSAB alumni on the MSAB Site Council. Kramer also served on the MSAB's Public Relations Committee.

Kramer is appointed to fill a board position for a member of the general public with business, administrative, or financial expertise. He will fill the remainder of a term caused by the resignation for Phillip Koprowski. This term ends January 5, 2004. Kramer is also appointed to a full four-year term from January 5, 2004 to January 7, 2008.

The Board of the Minnesota State Academies governs the Minnesota State Academy for the Blind and the Minnesota State Academy for the Deaf, both in Faribault. The board is made up of nine members, including six appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FIVE TO FIREFIGHTER TRAINING AND EDUCATION BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Chief Marvin Calvin, Brian Fuder, Mayor Judy Johnson, Margaret “Peg” Larsen, and Kathleen Mullen to the Board of Firefighter Training and Education.

Calvin, of New London, is the full-time fire chief and fire marshal for the city of Willmar. Calvin replaces Gary Conrath, who resigned, as a representative of fire chiefs to complete a four-year term that expires on January 3, 2005.

Fuder, of Breckenridge, is the right-of-way transportation generalist senior for the Minnesota Department of Transportation, the director of emergency management for Wilkin County and a volunteer firefighter and emergency medical technician for the city of Breckenridge. Fuder replaces John Thalman as a representative of volunteer firefighters for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

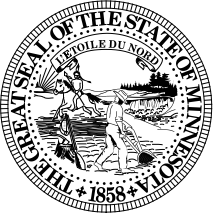
Johnson, of Plymouth, is the Mayor of the city of Plymouth. Johnson replaces Stephen Sarvi as a representative of cities for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Larsen, of Lakeland, is a professional lobbyist and a former four-term member of the Minnesota House of Representatives. She also served as the Mayor of the city of Lakeland. Larsen replaces John Parizek as a public member for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

Mullen, of Minneapolis, is a captain with the Minneapolis Fire Department. Mullen replaces Michael Stockstead as a representative of professional firefighters for a four-year term that expires on January 1, 2007.

The Board of Firefighter Training and Education reviews fire service training needs, establishes standards for educational programs and establishes qualifications for fire service training instructors. The Board consists of 14 members, including 13 appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FOUR TO THE COUNCIL ON BLACK MINNESOTANS

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Melanie Allen, Felicia Brown, Jeanette Taylor Jones, and Robert Clarence Jones to the Council on Black Minnesotans.

Melanie Allen, of Eagan, is the Manager of Corporate Safety and Health at Ecolab, Inc. in St. Paul. She previously held the position of Agricultural Products Group Formulation Plants Safety and Health Manager at the FMC Corporation in Philadelphia, PA. Prior to FMC, Allen served as Senior Compliance Auditor at 3M Corporate Product Responsibility in St. Paul. She received a B.S. in Chemistry from Texas A&M University and a M.S. in Environmental Health Science from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. Allen is appointed to the Council for a term ending January 1, 2007. She replaces Nekeisia Booyer on the Council.

Felicia Brown, of St. Paul, is District Sales Manager at ACDelco. Prior to joining ACDelco, she was employed at Northwest Airlines in Eagan as Supervisor of Revenue Accounting and Supervisor of Customer Relations. Prior to Northwest Airlines, she was employed as a Sales Representative at Midwest Coca-Cola in Eagan. Brown is the founder of the African American "Impressions Bookclub." She received a B.S. in Business Administration/Aviation Management from Minnesota State University-Mankato. Brown is appointed to the Council for a term ending January 1, 2007. She replaces Rosalind Sullivan on the Council.

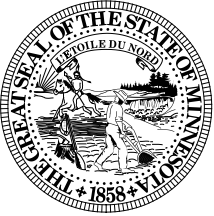
Jeanette Taylor Jones, of Plymouth, is currently a health care consultant. She previously served as an Assistant Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Human Services. Prior to working at DHS, she served as CEO of Minnesota Age and Opportunity, a nonprofit serving seniors. Ms. Jones is licensed as both a registered nurse and an attorney. She serves as an adjunct professor at the William Mitchell College of Law. She received a B.A. from Metropolitan State University in St. Paul and a J.D. from the Pace University School of Law in White Plains, New York. Ms. Jones is appointed to the Council for a term ending January 1, 2007. She replaces Dianne Binns on the Council.

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Robert Clarence Jones, of Minneapolis, is employed by Southside Community Health Service as Community Outreach Director. He previously worked at the St. Paul Urban League as the Male Responsibility Program Manager for the Fathers and Families Initiative Project. He also serves on the St. Paul Foundation's Pan African Community Endowment Fund Board (PACE), and the Board of the Minnesota Organization on Adolescence Prevention, Pregnancy and Parenting (MOAPPP). Jones received a B.A. and a M.A. in Youth Development from Concordia University in St. Paul. He is appointed to the Council for a term ending January 1, 2007. He replaces Duchess Harris on the Council.

The Council on Black Minnesotans advises the Governor and Legislature on issues of particular importance to black Minnesotans. The Council is made up of 17 members, including 13 appointed by the Governor.

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GOVERNOR PAWLENTY APPOINTS FOUR TO DULUTH ENTERTAINMENT AND CONVENTION CENTER BOARD

Saint Paul – Governor Tim Pawlenty today announced the appointment of Heidi Dulebohn and Debra Messer and the reappointment of Robert Eaton and Gregory Fox to the Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center (DECC) Board. All four reside in Duluth and are appointed to terms that expire on January 1, 2007.

Dulebohn is a commodity consultant and community volunteer in Duluth.

Eaton is an attorney and partner with the Clure Eaton Law Firm in Duluth. He has served on the DECC Board since 1998.

Fox is vice chancellor for finance and operations at the University of Minnesota Duluth. He has served on the DECC Board since 2001.

Messer is vice president and general manager of KDLH Television in Duluth.

The Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center Board administers, promotes and operates the Duluth Convention Center. The Board consists of 11 members, including seven appointed by the Mayor of Duluth and four appointed by the Governor.

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