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Commissioner, District 3



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Commissioner, District 4

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Commissioner, District 5

Katherine Miller
County Manager

Memorandum

Date: April 24, 2018

To: Board of County Commissioners

From: Tony Flores, Deputy County Manager

Via: Katherine Miller, County Manager

Subject: **Request Approval of a Recommendation to the Honorable Susana Martinez, Governor, State of New Mexico of Person to Fill the State of New Mexico House of Representative District 22 Seat.**

Background and Summary:

On March 23, 2018, Santa Fe County (County) found out via various newspaper articles, that Representative Jim Smith, was appointed to the Bernalillo County Commission, thus creating a vacancy in House District 22 (Exhibit A).

The County was faced with a similar issue in March of 2015 and July of 2016, and the Board of County Commission (Board) outlined the following process to garner applications from persons interested in being recommended to fill vacant New Mexico Legislature seats:

1. Solicit applications from persons interested in being considered for the vacant senate seat;
2. Conduct a meeting to consider the applications for possible recommendation to the Governor pursuant to NMSA 1978, §2-7C-5.

Utilizing the process established previously by the Board, staff solicited for applications (Exhibit B) and as a result of the call for applications, the County received the following applications:

- Jessica P. Velasquez
- Gregg Schmedes
- Merritt Hamilton Allen

Staff is recommending that the Board conduct a public meeting and allow the applicants to address the Board, and if the Board so desires provide a recommendation that will be codified via a letter and sent to the Governor.

Exhibits:

- A – Newspaper Article – March 23, 2018
- B – Application Form and Maps for House District 22
- C – Application / Jessica P. Velasquez
- D – Application / Gregg Schmedes
- E – Application / Merritt Hamilton Allen

2-7C-5. Elections, vacancies. (1991)

2-7C-5. Elections, vacancies.

A. Members of the **house of** representatives shall be elected for terms of two years.

B. If a vacancy occurs in the office of **representative** for any reason, the vacancy shall be filled as follows:

(1) in any **representative** district situated wholly within the exterior boundaries of a single county, by appointment of the board of county commissioners of that county; and

(2) in any **representative** district situated within an area composed of two or more counties, by the following method:

(a) the board of county commissioners of each county in the **representative** district shall submit one name to the governor; and

(b) the governor shall appoint the **representative** to fill the vacancy from the list of names so submitted.

C. All appointments to fill vacancies in the **house of** representatives shall be for a term ending on December 31 subsequent to the next succeeding general election.

History: Laws 1991 (1st S.S.), ch. 2, § 5.

Governor Appoints Jim Smith To Bernalillo County Commission After Wayne Johnson Made State Auditor



Jim Smith

STATE News:

SANTA FE — Gov. Susana Martinez has appointed Republican Jim Smith of Tijeras to the Bernalillo County Commission, filling the vacancy created by the resignation of Wayne Johnson, who stepped down to become New Mexico state auditor.

"Jim has a fine record of leadership and service as a teacher and legislator," Martinez said Friday. "I know that his experience and dedication to public service will serve the people of Bernalillo County well."

Smith has served in the New Mexico House of Representatives since 2011, representing House District 22. Before serving in the Legislature, Smith was a science teacher. He retired from East Mountain High School in Sandia Park in 2014 after 18 years as an educator.

"I'm grateful for the Governor's confidence," Smith said. "I'm looking forward to serving the people of Bernalillo County as a member of the Commission."

To take office on the County Commission, Smith will step down from the Legislature. The Governor will appoint a replacement to the House of Representatives following recommendations from the county commissions of the counties in House District 22 (Bernalillo, Sandoval, and Santa Fe).





Applications being accepted for NM State House District 22 Vacancy

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March 29, 2018

Santa Fe County is accepting applications for individuals that wish to be considered by the Board of County Commission for a recommendation to the Governor of the State of New Mexico to serve as the New Mexico State House District 22 for Santa Fe County.

Applications will be taken through 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 17, 2018. Please download from link below.

Applications can be delivered to:

Tony Flores, Deputy County Manager – 102 Grant Avenue, 2nd Floor or tflores@santafecountynm.gov.

If you have any questions please contact Mr. Flores at 505-986-6216.

Application »



APPLICATION FOR STATE HOUSE DISTRICT 22 VACANCY

_____, being first duly sworn, states as follows:
(Print or Type Name)

1. I wish to be nominated by the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County and appointed by the Governor to the position of State Representative for State House District 22.

2. I am a citizen of the United States, a resident of the State of New Mexico, and a resident of New Mexico State House District 22. (Attach proof of U.S. Citizenship.)

3. The physical address of my residence, determined in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 1-1-7, is _____. (Attach proof of physical residency.)

4. I am 25 years of age or older. (Attach copy of driver's license or other proof of age.)

5. I am a qualified elector, meaning that I am a resident of the State and qualified to vote under the provisions of the constitution of New Mexico and the constitution of the United States.

6. Check and, if applicable, complete only one of the following alternative statements. Please note that notaries public and officers of the militia who receive no salary are not considered offices of trust or profit within the meaning of N.M. Const. art. IV, § 3.

☐ I do not hold any office of trust or profit with the state, county, or national governments.

OR

☐ I hold the following office(s) of trust or profit with the state, county, or national governments: _____

I understand and agree that, if appointed by the Governor to the position of State Representative for House District 22, I must resign from each of these positions before qualifying for office.

7. The information and statements in my letter of interest and resume accompanying my application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Signature of Applicant

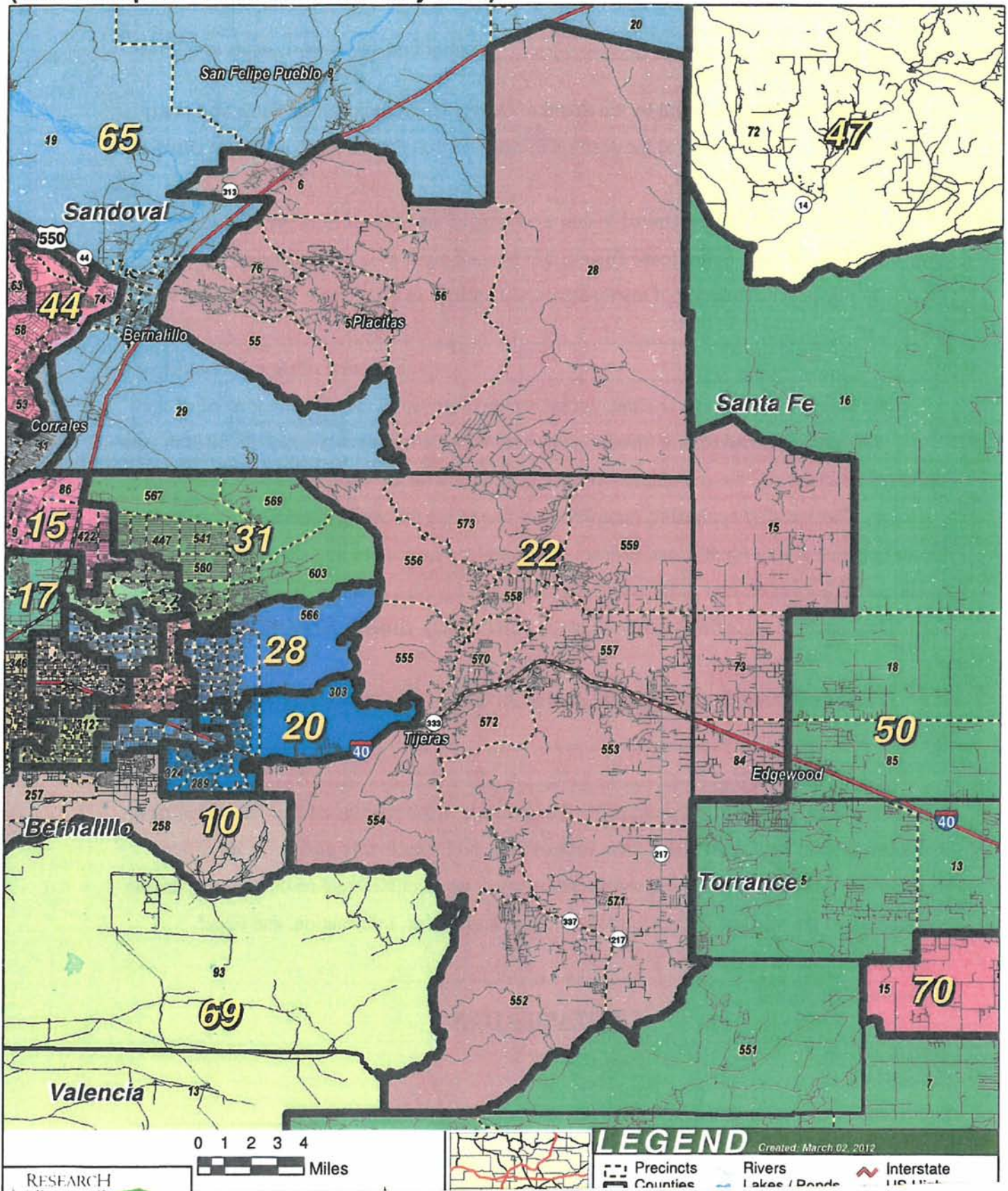
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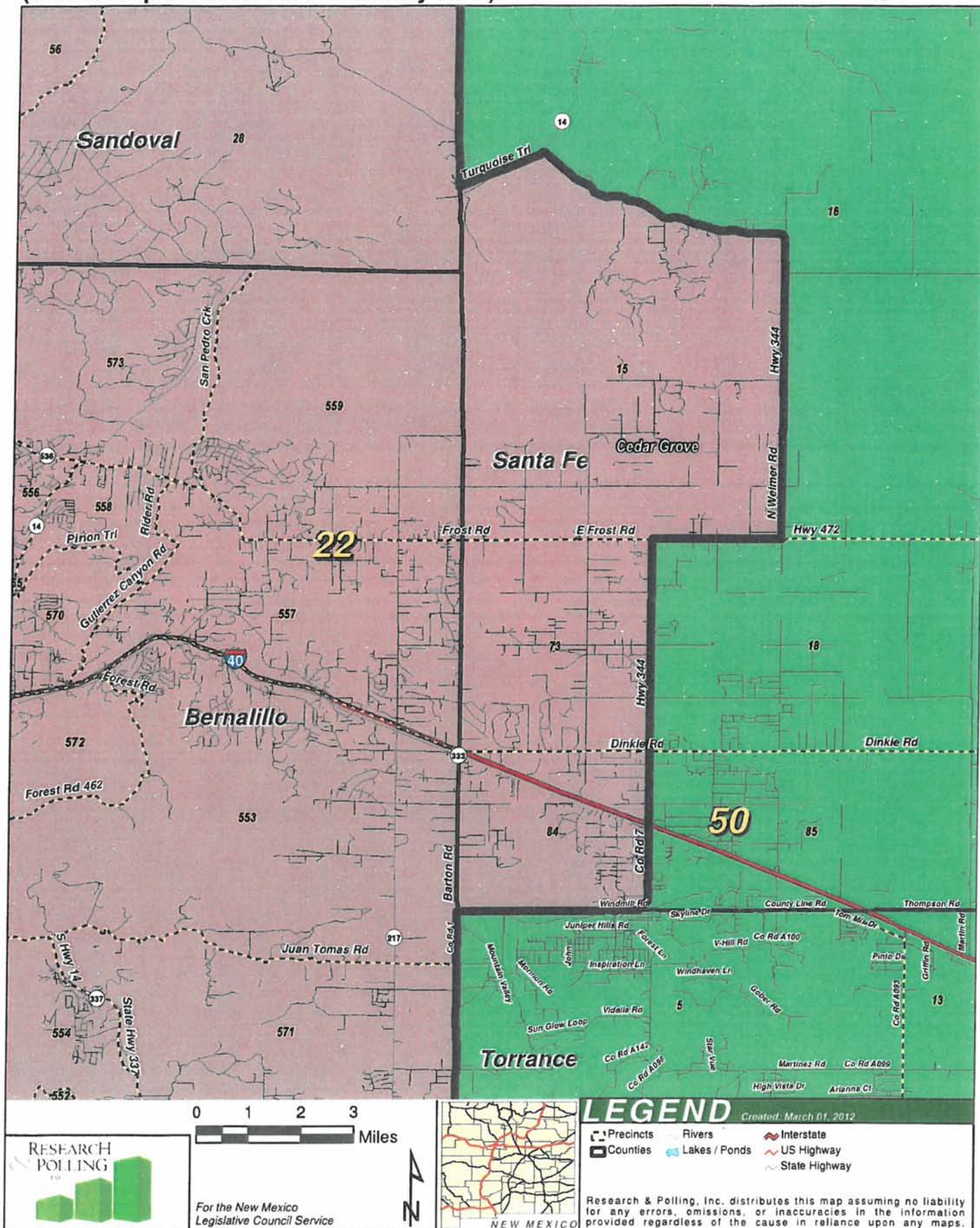
State of _____
(County) of _____

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on March _____, 2018, by _____.

My commission expires: _____

Signature of Notarial Officer





APPLICATION FOR STATE HOUSE DISTRICT 22 VACANCY

Jessica P. Velasquez, being first duly sworn, states as follows:
(Print or Type Name)

1. I wish to be nominated by the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County and appointed by the Governor to the position of State Representative for State House District 22.
2. I am a citizen of the United States, a resident of the State of New Mexico, and a resident of New Mexico State House District 22. (Attach proof of U.S. Citizenship.)
3. The physical address of my residence, determined in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 1-1-7, is 5 Four Wheel Drive Place, Sandia Park NM 87047 (Attach proof of physical residency.)
4. I am 25 years of age or older. (Attach copy of driver's license or other proof of age.)
5. I am a qualified elector, meaning that I am a resident of the State and qualified to vote under the provisions of the constitution of New Mexico and the constitution of the United States.
6. Check and, if applicable, complete only one of the following alternative statements.

Please note that notaries public and officers of the militia who receive no salary are **not** considered officers of trust or profit within the meaning of N.M. Const. art. IV, § 3.

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OR

☐ I hold the following office(s) of trust or profit with the state, county, or national governments: _____

I understand and agree that, if appointed by the Governor to the position of State Representative for House District 22, I must resign from each of these positions before qualifying for office.

7. The information and statements in my letter of interest and resume accompanying my application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Jessica P. Velasquez
Signature of Applicant

NOTARIZATION

State of New Mexico
(County) of Bernalillo

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on April 18, 2018, by Jessica P. Velasquez

My commission expires: 10/11/2021



Jeanyssa Turley
Signature of Notarial Officer

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Jessica P. Velasquez

5 Four Wheel Drive Place
Sandia Park, NM 87107
Phone: 505-238-2327
E-Mail: jessvelas@gmail.com

April 16, 2018

Katherine Miller
County Manager
Santa Fe County
102 Grant Avenue
Santa Fe, NM 87504

Dear Santa Fe County Commission:

I am interested in filling the vacant District 22 seat in the New Mexico House of Representatives, and I am seeking the recommendation of the Santa Fe County Commission for this appointment. I am deeply committed to serving the people of District 22 through the duration of the term, and I am ready and able to represent our Santa Fe County constituents residing in the Edgewood area. My professional and academic background offer the versatility and diversity of experience required of a legislator, and I can provide continuity for the work begun by our former District 22 Representative, Mr. James Smith.

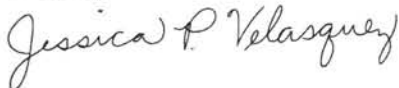
Mr. Smith is well regarded in our district, and his legacy of bi-partisanship and pragmatic solutions-based leadership is to be commended. Especially in education and expanding broadband internet access in rural areas, his work has earned him the gratitude of his constituents and secured his reputation as a dedicated, effective legislator.

As my neighbor said, "Jim leaves some pretty big shoes to fill in that Roundhouse." Luckily, I have pretty big feet myself.

Like Mr. Smith, I am also a professional educator. I served both the Albuquerque Public Schools as classroom teacher, and the University of New Mexico as adjunct faculty, and I hold a Master's degree in Education. In addition, I am the co-owner of a well-established electroplating business in Albuquerque, which gives me perspective on New Mexico's economy and high-tech sectors. I am an adept researcher, able to apply new knowledge in order to solve problems and get a job done. Working in education and business has required me to communicate clearly and collaborate effectively with all stakeholders. Finally, my values and priorities align with the Edgewood community, and I will advocate on behalf of all District 22 residents.

In response to the need for a qualified leader to replace Mr. Smith, I offer my experience and skills in service to District 22 and the State of New Mexico. Attached is my resume, and I look forward to further conversations about what I can bring to the legislature and how we can ensure a seamless leadership transition for the people of Santa Fe County.

Sincerely,



Jessica P. Velasquez
Democratic Candidate, NM House of Representatives District 22
www.velasquez4nm.com
505-238-2327

Jessica P. Velasquez

5 Four Wheel Drive Place
Sandia Park, NM 87107
Phone: 505-238-2327
E-Mail: jessvelas@gmail.com

Profile

Dynamic, effective leader dedicated to serving the people of New Mexico with honesty and integrity.

Offering versatility and diverse expertise, a proactive can-do attitude, disciplined & outcome-oriented work ethic, strong interpersonal skills, and creative thinking that promotes innovative solutions for complex problems. Excellent written & oral communication abilities, extensive background in public speaking.

Experience

Business Manager/Co-owner, Theta Plate, Inc.

Albuquerque, NM

2007-present

Oversee all fiscal operations for family-owned electroplating business specializing in high-tech mil-spec applications. Manage human resources affairs for six employees, maintain accounts payable & receivable, and develop customer relations. We help our customers create a better world by providing the electroplating services they need to actualize ideas, projects, and dreams.

Program Manager, Secondary Student Teaching Programs The University of New Mexico

Albuquerque, NM

2006-2007

Coordinated student teaching field experiences for secondary student teachers. Collaborated with university faculty to plan & implement professional development programs & seminars for veteran teachers. Acted as liaison between university faculty & staff, public school teachers & administrators, and undergraduate & graduate level student teachers. Assisted with data collection & documentation to prepare for program review by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). Facilitated student teaching seminar & a children's literature course for K-8 teachers. Honored to help fellow educators in their efforts to build better tomorrows for our students through better teaching today.

Language Arts and ESL Teacher Albuquerque Public Schools

Albuquerque, NM

**2005-2006
2000-2004**

Planned and led daily classroom learning experiences for a diverse population of New Mexican students. Piloted student leadership programs at Desert Ridge Middle School, and facilitated orientation activities for over 300 incoming students. Inspired, and was inspired by, hundreds of students.

ESL Instructor and Curriculum Design Estación las Tortugas

near Limón, Costa Rica

2004-2005

Assessed English language learning needs of Costa Rican sea turtle conservationists; designed & implemented ESL curriculum. Assisted biologists in creating educational activities & materials for visiting American student-tourists. Contributed to the survival of an endangered species & the economic success of a local community, while helping American students see that they could make a difference in our world.

Business Manager Lancôme at Lazarus Department Stores

Pittsburgh, PA

1998-2000

Led a team of five sales associates to set sales records for our location. Teamed with colleagues to improve customer service programs by creating an interactive customer database. Coordinated promotional events involving over 100 customers, Lancôme sales associates, store staff, and visiting make-up artists.

Education

EMERGE New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM—Candidate Boot Camp, 2018

The Bell Leadership Institute, Chapel Hill, NC — Achievers I Seminar, 2012

University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM — M.A., Language, Literacy and Sociocultural Studies, 4.0 GPA, 2005

The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA — B.A., English, emphasis in Rhetoric, 3.6 GPA, 1998

The Australian National University, Canberra, ACT — Study Abroad, 1998

APPLICATION FOR STATE HOUSE DISTRICT 22 VACANCY

Gregg Schmedes, being first duly sworn, states as follows:
(Print or Type Name)

1. I wish to be nominated by the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County and appointed by the Governor to the position of State Representative for State House District 22.

2. I am a citizen of the United States, a resident of the State of New Mexico, and a resident of New Mexico State House District 22. (Attach proof of U.S. Citizenship.)

3. The physical address of my residence, determined in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 1-1-7, is 25 Calle Vallecitos
Tijeras, NM 87059. (Attach proof of physical residency.)

4. I am 25 years of age or older. (Attach copy of driver's license or other proof of age.)

5. I am a qualified elector, meaning that I am a resident of the State and qualified to vote under the provisions of the constitution of New Mexico and the constitution of the United States.

6. Check and, if applicable, complete only one of the following alternative statements.

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OR

☐ I hold the following office(s) of trust or profit with the state, county, or national governments: _____

I understand and agree that, if appointed by the Governor to the position of State Representative for House District 22, I must resign from each of these positions before qualifying for office.

7. The information and statements in my letter of interest and resume accompanying my application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Gregg Schmedes
Signature of Applicant

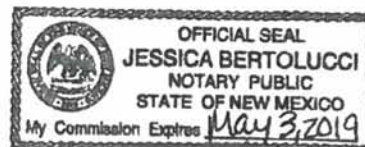
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State of New Mexico
(County) of Bernalillo

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on April 13, 2018, by Gregg Schmedes

My commission expires: May 3, 2019

Jessica Bertolucci
Signature of Notarial Officer



APPLICATION FOR STATE HOUSE DISTRICT 22 VACANCY

Merritt Hamilton Allen, being first duly sworn, states as follows:
(Print or Type Name)

1. I wish to be nominated by the Board of County Commissioners of Santa Fe County and appointed by the Governor to the position of State Representative for State House District 22.

2. I am a citizen of the United States, a resident of the State of New Mexico, and a resident of New Mexico State House District 22. (Attach proof of U.S. Citizenship.)

3. The physical address of my residence, determined in accordance with NMSA 1978, § 1-1-7, is 55 Woodlands Drive, Tijeras, NM 87059

(Attach proof of physical residency.)

4. I am 25 years of age or older. (Attach copy of driver's license or other proof of age.)

5. I am a qualified elector, meaning that I am a resident of the State and qualified to vote under the provisions of the constitution of New Mexico and the constitution of the United States.

6. Check and, if applicable, complete only one of the following alternative statements. Please note that notaries public and officers of the militia who receive no salary are not considered officers of trust or profit within the meaning of N.M. Const. art. IV, § 3.

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7. The information and statements in my letter of interest and resume accompanying my application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Merritt Hamilton Allen
Signature of Applicant

NOTARIZATION

State of New Mexico
(County) of Santa Fe

Signed and sworn to (or affirmed) before me on April 17, 2018, by Merritt Hamilton Allen

My commission expires: 6/16/18

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Signature of Notarial Officer



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MERRITT
MERRITT HAMILTON ALLEN
FOR HOUSE DISTRICT 22

April 17, 2018

Santa Fe County Board of Commissioners
C/O Santa Fe Deputy County Manager, Mr. Tony Flores
102 Grant Avenue
Santa Fe, NM, 87501

Dear Mr. Flores and County Commissioners:

I am writing to apply to be nominated by Bernalillo County for appointment to the vacant House District 22 seat.

Of the three declared candidates, I am the only lifelong New Mexican and the only Veteran. I am also a successful business owner and a passionate volunteer in the community. I have served on the boards of St. Felix Pantry, East Mountain High School, and the Adelante Development Center.

I am committed to a State Representative's role as appropriator and liaison to the state. I will work closely with Santa Fe County to best allocate resources and assist with state issues.

I am enclosing an endorsement letter, my biography and resume in support of my application.

Sincerely,



Merritt Hamilton Allen

Merritt Hamilton Allen
55 Woodlands Drive
Tijeras, NM 87059
merritt@merritt4nm.com
505-286-1755

Merritt Hamilton Allen

Biography – Silver High graduate, successful entrepreneur and veterans' business advocate

Merritt Allen is a successful entrepreneur, strategic communicator and advocate. As a small business owner, she has **built \$30 million in federal business** for her two firms since 2005. She is passionate about growing opportunities for small businesses, improving continuing educational opportunities in New Mexico, and improved care for New Mexico's Veterans.

Merritt **grew up in Silver City** and attended the University of Notre Dame on NROTC and National Merit scholarships. After graduating from Notre Dame in 1991, she served as a Navy public affairs officer for eight years. While on active duty, she led Department of the Navy communication strategy for environmental, personnel, medical, and acquisition issues.

Retired from the Navy in 1999 as a **service-disabled veteran**, Merritt joined the Washington, D.C. office of CES, Inc. as Director of Communications. At CES, she grew its public affairs practice from a one-person shop to a ten-person business unit with over \$1.2 million in annual revenue.

While at CES, Merritt was contracted to **stand up the brand and image campaign for The Veterans Corporation**, a publicly funded non-profit. She launched a national brand campaign and wrote numerous documents to assist in The Veterans Corporation's advocacy in the passage of Public Law 108-183, which established federal contracting set-aside guidelines for service disabled veteran-owned small businesses.

Moving back to New Mexico in 2005, Merritt **started her own service disabled veteran-owned small business, Vox Optima, and closed that year with a \$1 million task order** from Naval Sea Systems Command (that work has grown into a five-year contract with a total value of \$16 million). Vox Optima currently has nineteen employees and its client roster includes Defense Acquisition University; DoD Research and Evaluation Office; U.S. Fleet Forces Command; the Chief of Navy Information; BAE Systems; the Census Bureau, and the Veterans Administration.

Merritt also supports numerous emerging small businesses seeking image, promotional and marketing guidance as they grow. For her work with veteran-owned businesses, she was **named New Mexico's Veterans Business Champion by the Small Business Administration in 2008**.

Merritt serves on the board of directors of Adelante Development Center, **a major non-profit agency in Albuquerque employing and supporting the severely disabled**. She has also been a director for ReadyOne Industries, a \$100 million non-profit agency in El Paso employing the severely disabled; a director for St. Felix Pantry, a food pantry in Rio Rancho that feeds 1,000 families every week; and Secretary to the governing council of East Mountain High School in Sandia Park.

Merritt was honored as a "Woman of Influence" by New Mexico Business Weekly in 2012. She was named the top-performing media and marketing CEO in the state of New Mexico in 2013 by Albuquerque Business First. Vox Optima has been listed in the top five PR firms by revenue in the state for the last four years.

Merritt lives in Tijeras with her husband Darrell, an attorney in private practice, along with their standard dachshund and orange tabby cat. She is the daughter of retired Marine Corps Lieutenant Colonel John Hamilton and State Representative Dianne Hamilton of Silver City.

MERRITT HAMILTON ALLEN

Years of Experience: 27

Clearance: Final TOP SECRET

UNIQUE/SPECIAL QUALIFICATIONS

- Management consulting and corporate communications executive with 22 years' experience in public relations, management consulting, executive management, and additional experience in radio broadcasting. Has directed PR operations for multi-billion-dollar organizations.
- Successful entrepreneur; two small business start-ups launched since 2005 have been awarded \$25 million in federal contracts.
- Senior public relations advisor, spokesperson, and speechwriter.
- Attentive and insightful government contractor and program manager. Develops strong loyalty among both customers and employees.
- Significant experience in international relations, government affairs, community relations, issue management, executive consulting, media training, special event planning, personnel management and publication and project management.

EDUCATION, TRAINING AND CERTIFICATIONS

B.A., Economics, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana, 1991.

Public Affairs Officer Course, Defense Information School, 1994.

Accredited in Public Relations, Public Relations Society of America, February 2002.

FCC Radio Broadcaster's License.

Holds Top Secret clearance. SSBI reinvestigation initiated September 2010.

HONORS AND AWARDS

Albuquerque Business First "Top CEO – Media and Marketing," 2013.

New Mexico Business Weekly "Woman of Influence," 2012.

Small Business Administration Veteran Business Champion for New Mexico, 2008.

Numerous military awards and commendations.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Vox Optima, LLC, Albuquerque, New Mexico

Founder/Owner/Executive Director, 2005-present

Successful small business owner with instant contract bid success.

- Founded Vox Optima, LLC in 2005 and won \$5 million, multi-year contract with first bid.
- Chief executive of a service-disabled veteran owned, woman-owned, small business.
- Established Vox Optima as a defense industry PR leader, providing high-visibility services for the Navy's largest acquisition command, Naval Sea Systems Command.
- Won IDIQ prime contract with the Navy in 2006.
- Awarded GSA prime schedule September, 2007.
- Skilled personnel expert and manager; focused hiring practices minimize turnover. Developed strong unit loyalty: 80% of personnel present at start-up still with Vox

CES, Inc./BAE Systems Maritime Engineering and Services*, Arlington, Virginia

Director of Communications, 1999-2005

**CES, Inc. was acquired by BAE Systems in July 2005*

Senior public relations/corporate communications executive for 400-person corporation with annual revenues in excess of \$40 million.

- Directed nine-person contract public affairs unit, CES Media Solutions, providing services to Navy acquisition programs and the Defense Intelligence Agency. Support included media relations, corporate messages, image products, digital video services, print production and exhibit/graphic support.
- Insightful planner. Authored communications strategies for Naval Sea Systems Command, Naval Surface Warfare Center, Carderock, and The Veterans Corporation.
- Ingenious PR professional. Garnered coverage of a fairly abstruse subject, corrosion engineering, in the metro and news sections of the Los Angeles Times, Washington Times, and the San Diego Union-Tribune.

Navy Office of Information, Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

Account Supervisor, National News Desk, 1997-1999

Directed public relations actions for medical and environmental issues, information technology, and current operations.

- Directed public relations actions at the agency headquarters level for environmental issues, medical issues and actions during Operations Desert Fox.
- Led planning and public outreach efforts for transport, processing and disposal of the Navy's napalm stockpile.
- Marketed at-sea ship visits for national media and entertainment outlets, including CNN, MSNBC, The Discovery Channel, The Learning Channel and the History Channel.
- Headed the Navy's media training team, training and advising senior Navy leadership on media strategies and tactics.

Other Navy assignments, 1991-1997:

- **Public Affairs Officer, Naval Medical Center, Portsmouth.** Director of communications and public relations for the Navy's busiest hospital, a 340-bed postgraduate teaching center with 15 associated off-site clinics, with a total patient population of 430,000.
- **Internal Relations Manager, Navy Recruiting Command.** Directed all internal information for the Navy's recruiting force, a 5,000 person organization with a multi-million dollar budget. Supervised a staff of five. Speechwriter for the commanding admiral.
- **Public Affairs Officer, Naval Air Station Cubi Point, Republic of the Philippines.** Public relations director for the Navy's largest overseas air station. Worked with American and international media to communicate the myriad issues associated with Mount Pinatubo's eruption and the eventual U.S. pullout.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS/BOARDS

Women in Defense, Capital Chapter President, 2003-2004; U.S. Navy League, National Communications Board; Women Impacting Public Policy, National Partner; Public

Relations Society of America; National Defense Industrial Association; Naval Order of the United States; Association of Commerce and Industry; Albuquerque Hispano Chamber of Commerce; ReadyOne Industries, Director and Secretary 2006-2015; St. Felix Pantry, Director 2014-2016; East Mountain High School Governing Council, Secretary, 2014-2017; Adelante Development Center, Director, 2015-present.