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May 22, 2017

Santa Fe County Manager's Office Attn: Tony Flores, Deputy County Manager P.O. Box 276 Santa Fe, N.M. 87504-0276

Re: Santa Fe County Probate Judge

Dear Mr. Flores,

Please consider my letter as an expression of keen interest in the position of Santa Fe County Probate Judge. I consider Shannon Bulman to be a friend and you are more than welcome to ask her about me.

As described on your web announcement for applicants, I am a citizen of the United States, a legal resident of New Mexico, a qualified elector, a resident of Santa Fe, at least 18 years old and have never been convicted of a felony. Additionally, as you can see from the enclosed resume, my law office is located in Santa Fe (and properly licensed) and I have extensive legal experience. I have been a member of the New Mexico State Bar since 2000.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Gary D. Elion



# GARY D. ELION, ESQ. P.O. Box 32835

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87594-2835 Home Office: (505) 992-3205

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## LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

# THE ELION LAW FIRM, P.C., Santa Fe, New Mexico PRINCIPAL, February 2002 – Present

• Law practice specializing in litigation.

# THOMSON REUTERS / THOMSON WEST (www.thomson.com), Santa Fe, New Mexico SENIOR ATTORNEY EDITOR, February 2002 - Present

- Attorney Editor of Westlaw Legal Calendaring.
- Write and edit content development for integrated law office software.

#### **THOMAS & ELION**

## MANAGING PARTNER, February 1996 – January 2002

- Supervising Attorney and Managing Partner for residential real estate development.
- Residential projects in Santa Fe and San Francisco.

# INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS & ENERGY, INC., San Francisco, California VICE PRESIDENT & GENERAL COUNSEL, March 1988 – January 1996

- Strong background in the management of internal and external teams, domestic and overseas.
- Oversaw financial and legal matters, including the negotiation of international contracts.
- Responsible for intellectual property issues (patent, copyright and trademark).
- Budget implementation, employment issues, financial and investment planning, supervision of personnel.
- Supervised a multi-million dollar geothermal energy exploration program and construction of a power plant in southern Japan involving an international consortium several hundred employees.

## ARBITRATOR, 1987 -2001, San Francisco, California

- Commercial Arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association for domestic and international disputes.
- Arbitrator for the United States District Court, Northern District of California.
- Arbitrator for the Marin, Alameda and San Francisco Superior Courts.

## STURDEVANT & ELION, San Francisco, California

## PARTNER, June 1986 – March 1988

- Performed specialized business, corporate and consumer matters.
- Litigation experience in breach of contract, complex business litigation, insurance matters and corporate law issues.
- Co-Counsel for class action NSF cases.
- Transactional work in domestic and international contracts including licensing agreements.

## BIANCO, BRANDI & JONES, San Francisco, California

## ASSOCIATE, June 1985 – June 1986

- Successfully supervised business development for the expanding firm resulting in substantial growth.
- Litigated business disputes, UCC and personal injury cases.

## ALIOTO & ALIOTO, San Francisco, California

## ASSOCIATE, December 1982 - June 1985

- Excelled in effectively handling highly confidential client matters.
- Specialized in antitrust prosecution, complex business litigation and real estate litigation.
- Member of the team representing the Oakland Raiders in antitrust litigation against the NFL.
- First major litigation yielded a multi-million dollar result that included a real estate development deal in a case filed on Valentine's Day with a successful expedited appeal before Thanksgiving.

## **BAR ADMISSIONS:**

- New Mexico State Bar (active) and California State Bar (inactive).
- United States District Courts for the Northern District of California, the District of New Mexico and the District of Hawaii.
- Third Circuit Court of Appeals; Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals; Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.
- United States Supreme Court.

#### **MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS:**

- New Mexico State Bar and California State Bar.
- Fund Development Board, Marin County Youth Commission.
- Former Judge Pro Tem, Marin County Superior Court.

#### PRIOR PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

# **KPIX-TV**, **WESTINGHOUSE BROADCASTING**, San Francisco, California **NEWS DIRECTOR**, April 1977 – September 1979

- Emmy award winner.
- Supervised all local news programming, budgets, personnel, personal services and union contracts.

# WJZ-TV, WESTINGHOUSE BROADCASTING, Baltimore, Maryland

NEWS DIRECTOR, February 1974 – March 1977

- Lead Channel 13 New to number one in the market.
- Supervised all local non-news programming as Executive Producer. Promoted to News Director.

# WBZ-TV, WESTINGHOUSE BROADCASTING, Boston, Massachusetts

NEWS PRODUCTION MANAGER, November 1970 – January 1974

- Producer/Director with program credits from educational series to primetime specials.
- Promoted to News Production Manager.
- Promoted to Assistant News Director.

#### **EDUCATION:**

## UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO LAW SCHOOL

Juris Doctor, May 1982.

## HARVARD GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Master of Business Administration, June 1974. Specialized in Marketing.

#### WILLIAMS COLLEGE

Bachelor of Arts, June 1969. Graduated with honors.

# Tony T. Flores

From:

Cam Kattell < camkattell@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Monday, May 15, 2017 10:53 AM

To: Subject: Tony T. Flores Probate Judge

**Attachments:** 

Probate judge app.doc

Please find attached my application for the position for a Probate Judge.

Cam Kattell <a href="mailto:camkattell@yahoo.com">camkattell@yahoo.com</a>



2500 Sawmill Rd., #1026 Santa Fe, NM 87505 May 13, 2017

Santa Fe County Manager's Office Attn: Tony Flores, Deputy County Manager P. O. Box 276 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-0276

Dear Mr. Flores:

I am writing to you in regards to the position of Probate Judge for Santa Fe County.

I am a lifelong citizen of the United States and a resident of Santa Fe County since 2002. I am a qualified elector and well over 18 years of age.

I believe I would be well qualified to address the details of probate actions. I would consider that fairness for clients, attention to detail, strict understanding of applicable laws, and timely attention to process would be requirements of the job that I can offer. The work I did as a financial advisor liaison and in oversight of aviation operators helped me develop many skill sets that are reliable and applicable.

I have attached my resume and would be pleased to find out more about the position and how I might be of benefit to the organization.

Sincerely,

Camilla Kattell

camkattell@yahoo.com

505-660-4456, 505-236-9912

Samilla Kalton

Camilla Kattell 2500 Sawmill Rd., #1026 Santa Fe, NM 87505 505-236-9912 c 505-660-4456 h camkattell@yahoo.com

#### SUMMARY OF SKILLS

- Results oriented, self-directed
- Excellent communication skills
- Attention to detail and planning
- Intuitive in listening to other's needs and applying solutions

#### Author

Since 3/13

- Writing books for children and young adults. Currently writing a history/biography.
- Also working as editor and researcher for a local writer.

## **Equine Manager**

6/05 to 3/13

3/02 to 5/10

- Managed the horse program on a private ranch.
- Had responsibility for all aspects of the horse care and training, budgeting, logistics.

## Relationship Manager-Davis Selected Advisors

- **Developed relationships** with financial advisers (mostly RIA's) to provide detailed, indepth information regarding financial strategies and outcomes.
- **Communicated** in person and telephonically with financial advisers to clarify for them specifics of how our management was investing.
- Studied and synthesized information provided by the money manager to communicate complex financial investment discipline.
- **Responded** to advisers concerns or questions by presenting management process and decisions, providing straight forward clarification.

## **EDUCATION**

- Wittenberg University, Springfield, Ohio BA Degree in History. Graduated Cum Laude
- Urbana College, Urbana, Ohio Secondary level teaching certificate

## **Additional Training**

- Morgan Stanley and Quick & Reilly in New York, NY and Albuquerque, NM to be a Financial Adviser. Series 7, 63, 65, 31, for certification as an investment broker.
- University of Dayton Law School, Dayton, Ohio

## **Tony T. Flores**

From:

Chris Linn <clinn47@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, May 16, 2017 9:54 AM

To:

Tony T. Flores

Subject:

Application for Probate Judge

**Attachments:** 

Chris Linn Cover Letter - Probate Judge application.docx; Resume for Chris Linn

5-14-17.doc

# Dear Mr. Flores

Attached are a cover letter and resume in consideration for the position of Probate Judge.

Thank you.

Chris Linn

Santa Fe, NM 505-603-0237 clinn47@yahoo.com



Chris Linn 2709 Camino Chueco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 505.603.0237 (cell)

E-mail: clinn47@yahoo.com

To: Tony Flores, Deputy County Manager

Via email

Dear Mr. Flores:

I am interested in being considered for the position of Probate Judge for Santa Fe County. I have lived in Santa Fe for 25 years and meet the basic qualifications for the position.

I have a strong financial and management background and have worked as a financial consultant and conservator. I bring strong management skills to the position including experience in human resources and employee supervision that has built an understanding of human interaction which I believe prepares me for that part of the job that requires good people skills.

I am available to provide services, beginning immediately, and would be proud to serve my County and its residents in this capacity.

My contact information is at the top of this letter.

Thank you for your consideration.

Chris Linn

## **Chris Linn**

2709 Camino Chueco Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505 505.603.0237 (cell)

E-mail: clinn47@yahoo.com

## **EDUCATION**

Master of Arts in Business, University of Wisconsin Graduate School of Business, Madison, Wisconsin.

Bachelor of Arts, Elmhurst College, Elmhurst, Illinois.

Santa Fe Community College, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

(Earned 18 credits in accounting. With credits in accounting, earned at UW-Madison, total is 27.)

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Project Manager, International Folk Art Alliance, Santa Fe, New Mexico, present. Currently managing the renovation of the new headquarters for International Folk Art Alliance.

Director of Finance & HR, International Folk Art Alliance, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 2015-2017.

Owner, CLA Enterprises, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 2002 to present. Providing business finance and management consultation, business systems, policy and procedures development and training to for-profit and not-for-profit companies.

Executive Director, Girl Scouts – Sangre de Cristo Council, Santa Fe, New Mexico, October 1, 1992 to March 15, 2001.

Senior Staff Analyst, Computer People Unlimited, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Manager, Membership Services, American Society for Quality, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Senior Analyst, Opinion Research Associates, Madison, Wisconsin. Executive Director, ARTREACH Milwaukee.

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Informal consulting and leadership within non-profit community in Santa Fe.

Court-Appointed Conservator, 2004-2005

City of Santa Fe Arts Commission, Member 1998-2002.

Leadership Santa Fe, 2001-2002. Trainer.

Project Director, American-Soviet Mural Project, 1988-1989.

Gubernatorial appointments to three state agency committees and boards, Wisconsin.

Various memberships in professional societies.

## **Tony T. Flores**

From:

Charlie Lopez <charlie.lopez.chas@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, May 22, 2017 7:54 AM

To:

Tony T. Flores

Subject:

Letter of interest

#### May 19, 2017

Mr. Tom Flores
Deputy county Manager
Santa Fe County
Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

I recently became aware of the opening for the position of Probate Judge for Santa Fe County.

I believe very strongly in personal accountability and integrity and have always made sure to represent both my employer and myself in a professional and ethical manner. I pay close attention.

If appointed to the position of Probate Judge, I will be dedicated to the delivering of high quality service to the public, peers and colleagues. I am a hard-working, driven individual and am both a motivated self-starter as well as an enthusiastic team player.

I am a retired lifelong Democrat and have participated in the political process for many years serving as Delegate to the State and County Conventions of the Democratic Party, and a Precinct Official. I was also a candidate for County Commissioner District I in 1985

I have also worked at the legislature consecutively for the last seven years, working with The Ways and Means, Local Government, Health and Agriculture Committees.

If you have any questions about me, this letter or my resume, please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions at any time at (505) 753-9355 or email me at <a href="mailto:character">character</a> charlie.lopez.chas@gmail.com

Thank you for your time in considering my qualifications.

Regards,

Charlie Lopez



## **Tony T. Flores**

From: Charlie Lopez <charlie.lopez.chas@gmail.com>

Monday, May 22, 2017 4:08 PM Sent:

Tony T. Flores To: Subject: Resume

> Mr. Charlie S. Lopez 94 Pacita Rd Espanola, NM 87532

Email charlie.lopez.chas@gmail.com

Country of Citizenship: United States of America Veteran's Preference: No Contact Current Supervisor Yes

**OBJECTIVE:** 

A position that will allow me to utilize my experience in Social Work

WORK EXPERIENCE:

New Mexico State Legislature

Dates Employed: 1/07/2011

Capitol Building

To: 3/23/2017

Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504

Hours Worked: 40 or more

Committee Attendant, Started as Sergeant at Arms:

Was responsible for keeping order while House of Representative were in session, also responsible for keeping the legislators journal up to date with newly introduced legislation. Set up committee room with referred legislation for hearing before said committee.

Rio Arriba County 1122 Industrial Park Rd Espanola, NM 87532

Dates Employed 10//2001 To: 04/2010 Hours Worked 40

Inventory Technician and Coordinator:

As Inventory Tech I was responsible for ordering and distributing all foods and Janitorial supplies for all Senior Centers in the County, Supervised Site Managers on all issues related to food ordering and was responsible for creating the Menu in accordance with State regulations and mandates. As the Coordinator for the Espanola site I was responsible for managing the center and assisting the Director Of Senior Programs in preparing SAMS reports to Area Agency on Aging (AAA)

(Supervisor's Name Richard Montoya: 505-753-9355)

WESTERN COUNCIL OF INDUSTRIAL WORKERS **UBC-AFL-CIO** 721 SOUTHWEST OAK STREET Portland, OR 97205

06/1999 Salary: \$40.000

Dates employed: 01/1987

USA

**Business Representative:** 

I managed business affairs of affiliated local unions by coordinating and directing such union functions as organizing new members, negotiating labor agreements, placing union members on jobs, arranging local meetings, providing orientation to employees ensure

adherence to union contract specifications and assisted in developing safety and health measures. Provided training for employees to become stewards who are liaisons with various management personnel. Also trained local union officers in regards to compliance with Labor Management and Disclosure Act. Extensive research on legal decisions, statistics and data that apply to and govern labor. (Supervisor's Name: Mike Pieti Phone: 503-228-0235.)

Espanola Schools 714 Calle Don Diego Espanola,, NM 87532 USA Dates Employed: 01/1982-01/1986 Salary: \$15,000 Hours Per Week: 40

Maintenance Supervisor

Engaged in coordinating activities of workers assigned to the cleaning and maintaining of school grounds, buildings and equipment. I assigned tasks and inspected completed work for performance to standards. Responsible for training new employees and maintained supply lists, made recommendations for. Ensured compliance of public school requirements. (Supervisor's Name: Candido Salazar. Phone 505-753-2325.)



New Mexico District Council of Carpenters-AFL/CIO 1021 Cardenas <u>DR.NE</u> Albuquerque, NM 87110 USA Dates Employed:01/1976 01/1982 Salary: \$30,000 Hours Worked: 48

### **Business Representative**

I managed business affairs by directing functions of members dealing with job placement, provided orientation to employees to ensure adherence to union contract specifications, assist in developing production and safety health measures. Represented employees in hearings in work related matters and appeals including up to arbitration. Negotiated labor agreements and provided training for employees to become stewards union officers. Filed necessary reports to the Department of Labor in compliance with the Labor Management and Disclosure Act. Did Extensive research on legal decisions that apply to and govern labor. (Supervisor's Name: (Pete Baldwin. Phone: 505-256-3396.)

Duke city Lumber Co.Inc. Chama High Way, Espanola NM 87532 USA

Edger Operator/ Sawyer

Dates Employed: 01/1967 01/1976

Hours Per Week: 40

Operated heavy equipment Machinery that saved off lumber from slogs until blocked into different sizes to square log into beams or boards according to order. Attended

Grader School to learn different grades of lumber to cut board's thickness in accordance to grade. (Supervisor Dee Jeffers. Phone 505-7532832

#### **EDUCATION:**

Northern New Mexico Community College Espanola, New Mexico 87532 USA Non Degree USA Espanola Municipal Schools Espanola New Mexico USA

#### JOB RELATED TRAINING COURSES:

Contract Negotiations: 7/20-25/1997
Human Rights Training Conference 8/24-28/1996
EEOC Satellite Seminar 9/15-16/1987
Get The Most out Of A news Conference 7/22-23/1991
Southwest Labor Management Conference 12/13-16/1998
Human Resources Development 3/29-41/1998
Effective Problem Solving Skills 9/16-18/1996
Relationships And Objectives 4/7-9/1997
Union Steward & Company Supervisor Skills Training3/4-5/1991
Civil Rights Workshop 2/28-3/3/1998

#### JOB-RELATED SKILLS:

Bilingual-English/Spanish (speak, read and write.)
Computer literacy includes Microsoft and M WordPerfect.
Job related experience in Public Speaking as well as three months as a disc jockey for KBOM a bilingual FM radio station.

## JOB-RELATED HONORS, AWARDS, MEMBERSHIP. ETC:

Memberships Member State Manpower Board Under Governor Jerry Apodaca Labor Council for Latin American Advancement Committee on Political Education (COPE) Dear Mr. Tony Flores & The Board of County Commissioners:

I am applying for the part-time Probate Judge position being vacated by Judge Broderick Bulman. My MBA, PhD, and years of administrative experience qualify me for this position. In addition, I meet all the qualification to be a Probate Judge in NM. I can effectively fill this position through December 31, 2018 and continue the work of the Probate Office by expanding government services to 20 hours per week for the citizens.

Having worked for government most of my professional life, I understand that the Probate Judge is here to serve the citizens, provide information and government services, and relieve the pressures inherent within the Probate Court system. Relevant and accurate information, citizen education, helpful customer service, and innovations that help the citizens while dovetailing with government systems will be my primary focus.

My entire professional life has centered on teaching underserved people how to understand the system of government, how to access the services they need, and how to prepare for those services prior to needing them. Information extended in an easy to follow format allows citizens to more fully understand the resources available to them, which alleviates stress in their time of need.

As Executrix (Personal Representative) for both of my parents, my mother-in-law and brother-in-law, as well as a close friend, I have much experience with knowing what needs to be coordinated to successfully close out an Estate effectively and efficiently. I am an excellent strategic planner who customizes to the person's current possessions and wishes, as well as potential changes in their future. In addition, I have the good judgement to know when to refer to an attorney.

In Lubbock, I taught underserved people about the need for having their Will, Living Will, Power of Attorney for Healthcare, and Power of Attorney for Finances paperwork already prepared before they would need them. Through my associations and work with attorneys, I learned how to write a Last Will and Testament that would hold up in Texas Courts so I could help underserved people have a Will.

In Austin, I wrote Wills for underserved people and taught them how to do their own income taxes for free, how to appeal/lower their property taxes, and how to register as a voter. Many of the people I helped with voter registration were registering and voting for the first time in their lives so that they could be a part of history by voting for the first African American President of the United States.

In Santa Fe, I reviewed NM law and updated my template for a NM Last Will and Testament and have done several Wills for underserved New Mexicans. In addition, I provided sound advice for working with family members, funeral homes, the Medical Examiner's Office, attorneys, and the courts upon the passing of a loved one. I also worked to get many of them to vote, as well as join their Neighborhood Watch, to exercise a sense of agency and civic mindedness.

In summary, I am viewed by my professional colleagues as having a strong work ethic, able to get along with others quite well, politically savvy, and focused on meeting the needs of others. I am used to working with the highly professional (JDs, MDs, PhDs), as well as the average citizen. I am conversant with working with all New Mexicans by customizing my conversation to their levels of knowledge regarding end-of-life and probate issues. Personally, I am self-motivated, a high achiever, detailed, goal-oriented, driven, easy to get along with, and highly competent with administrative issues. If you believe that my credentials and experience will assist you with meeting your goals for this position, contact me for an interview (512.461.1490) at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Margaret Anne Meacham, MBA, PhD

EXHIBIT 9

### MARGARET ANNE MEACHAM, MBA, PhD

2800 Cerrillos Road, Condo #9 Santa Fe, NM 87507-2314

mmeacham@gmail.com 512-461-1490 SF mbl

## **EDUCATION**

May 2007 PhD in Higher Education Administration – The University of Texas at Austin August 1995 HOM (Health Organization Management) Certification - TTU- Lubbock

August 1991 MBA in Management - Texas Tech University - Lubbock

#### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Eagle Comm. Leadership Consultant 05/08 - present Eagle Communications, LLC

> Owner and Leadership Consultant; also, authoring a leadership book series on Distinguished Leadership, Ethics, and Moral Courage (women's leadership).

Senior Clinical Administrator III - Orthopaedic Surgery TTMC 05/99-07/03 Texas Tech Medical Center - Lubbock Texas

Administrative responsibilities for Hand Clinic, Joint Clinic, Children's Orthopaedic Center, Sports Medicine Clinic, and HSC Orthopaedic Clinic, managing Clinical and Nursing Supervisors, billing management, and handling patient concerns.

TTMC Assistant Director for Clinic Administration - Clinic Administration

Texas Tech Medical Center - Lubbock Texas 04/00-08/02

> Senior Administrative strategic planning oversight of OB/Gyn Department, Surgery Department, and Orthopaedic Department, leadership of The Surgical Group, and membership on the Managed Care Contract Committee.

TTMC Associate Director for Clinical Services - Family Medicine

Texas Tech Medical Center - Lubbock Texas 10/96-05/99

> Administrative responsibilities for 2 Clinical settings, developed long range planning; managed the Managed Care issues for the clinics; assisted patients with billing problems; identified and implemented customer-service strategies targeting both patients and physicians; effective liaison between physicians, staff, patients and other departments; Co-Administrator for the FastTrack Clinic (Urgent Care Clinic) for TX Tech Medical Center.

TTMC Assistant Director for Clinical Services - Family Medicine 3/96-9/96

Texas Tech Medical Center - Lubbock Texas

Administrative responsibilities for 2 clinical settings and physician recruitment; managed

the Managed Care issues for the clinics; reviewed contracts.

TTMC Administrator for the Extended Hours Clinic - Family Medicine 9/95-9/96

Texas Tech Medical Center - Lubbock Texas

Administrative duties for the coordination of staff responsibilities, physician schedules, and patient care issues for Extended-Hours Clinic (After Hours Urgent Care Clinic); identified and implemented customer-service strategies targeted toward patients and physicians.

GINI NELSON LAW OFFICE 1704 Llano Str., Ste B, #303 Santa Fe, NM 87505 gini@gininelson.com 505.629.0768

May 25, 2017

Santa Fe County Manager's Office Attn: Tony Flores, Deputy County Manager 102 Grant Ave. Santa Fe, NM 87504

Dear Santa Fe County Manager and Board,

Please accept this and the enclosed resume as my application for the position of Santa Fe County Probate Judge. I am a citizen of the United States, a legal resident of New Mexico, a qualified elector, a resident of Santa Fe County, not convicted of a felony, and over the age of 18.

My professional qualifications include that I am a 1983 graduate of the George Washington University Law School and have been practicing law for more than 33 years, the last 23+ as a sole practitioner. I'm a member of the Bar Association of New Mexico (since 1986, active), the District of Columbia Bar Association (1983, currently inactive), the American Bar Association (ABA), and also the National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys (NACBA). Before becoming an attorney, I taught undergraduate-level Social Problems classes at the University of Kansas while earning my M.A. in Sociology. My law practice is based on helping people with the hard stuff. I provide New Mexico individuals:

- Basic estate planning and drafting, and probate services;
- Pre-marriage agreement counseling, including prenuptial agreements as estate planning, and drafting services;
- Divorce agreement counseling and drafting services;
- Debt counseling, including managing student loans, and bankruptcy services; and
- Mediation services.

Additionally, I have served on the 1st Judicial District Court's Access to Justice Committee as well as on the State Bar of New Mexico's Law Practice Management Committee.

I plan on attending the Board meeting on May 30th and look forward to being of assistance in answering any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

GINI NELSON

EXHIBIT

Enclosure: resume

## Gini Nelson, Esq.

1704 Llano Str., Ste. B., #303, Santa Fe, NM 87505 (mail delivery only); Website: gininelson.com; Email: gini@gininelson.com; Phone: 505.629.0768.

## **Education:**

George Washington University Washington, DC JD 1983

Law School

MA Sociology 1980

University of Kansas

Lawrence, KS

BA Sociology 1974

University of North Dakota

Grand Forks, ND

## **Work Experience Includes:**

Principal, Attorney/Mediator

Jan-1994 to present

Gini Nelson Law Office

Santa Fe, NM

Full responsibility for general practice law and mediation practice. Current practice emphasizes:

• Basic estate planning and drafting, and probate services;

- Pre-marriage agreement counseling, including prenuptial agreements as estate planning. and drafting services;
- Divorce agreement counseling and drafting services;
- Debt counseling, including managing student loans, and bankruptcy services; and
- Mediation services.

Varied client representation over the course of a 23+ year solo law practice – for-profit corporate, non-profit corporate, small business owners, and individuals; and varied scope of services provided – environmental, incorporation and small business litigation, land use defense, bankruptcy and foreclosure issues, divorce and child custody, wills and estates, mediation.

Partner and Shareholder, Attorney

Jun-1993 to Jan-1994

Huffaker, Nelson and Barnes,

Santa Fe. NM

P.C.

Associate Attorney

Jan-1993 to Jun-1993

Poole, Kelly, Ramo P.C.

Santa Fe, NM

Special Asst. Attorney General, Asst. Gen. Counsel

Sep-1986 to Jan-1993

NM Environment Department Santa Fe, NM

Advised and represented government agency and various of its departments and bureaus in a broad range of environmental rule-making, permitting and enforcement actions, primarily relating to RCRA (hazardous wastes), UMTRA (uranium mill tailings) and mixedradioactive/hazardous waste issues, including role as lead attorney: WIPP, LANL RCRA permitting and enforcement, and State of New Mexico acquisition of Ambrosia Lake (uranium mill and tailings site) for the purpose of a DOE-reclamation project and for eventual turn-over to the Federal Government under the custody of the Department of Energy.

NOTE: Spring 1986 – Sept. 1986, contract work for NM State Engineer Office, and NM Health and Environment Department (now NMED) while satisfying requirements for NM Bar membership, after moving to Santa Fe from Washington, D.C. in Spring 1986.

Judicial Law Clerk

Fall 1984 to Aug-1985

District of Columbia Superior Washington, DC

Court

Law Clerk to the Honorable Carlisle Pratt, administrative and legal assistance to the judge, including docket management, legal research and legal drafting.

Judicial Law Clerk

Sep-1983 to Sep-1984

District of Columbia Superior Washington, DC

Court

Law Clerk to the Honorable A. Franklin Burgess, administrative and legal assistance to the judge, including docket management, legal research and legal drafting.

Assistant to Legal Defense Director, & Law Clerk, FOIA Service Ctr.

Jun-1981 to 1983

The Reporters Committee For Washington, DC

Freedom Of the Press

Assistant to Legal Defense Director, and Law Clerk, FOIA Service Center, both divisions within The Reporters Committee For Freedom of the Press, a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing free legal assistance to journalists since 1970. Work included coordination and preparation of amicus briefs for cases involving working journalists; responding to legal information inquiries from working journalists across the U.S.; and preparation of materials for the Committee's quarterly publication, The News Media and The Law.

Legislative Intern (law school clinic placement)

Jan-1982 to May-1982

United States House of

Washington, DC

Representatives

Law school clinical internship in the office of the Honorable Ted Weiss, U.S. House of Representatives. Projects included the preparation of a significant position paper on enterprise zones, 128 CONG. REC. E1163-64 (daily ed. Mar. 23, 1982)(Statement of Rep. Weiss).

Assistant Instructor

Aug-1977 to Dec-1979

University of Kansas

Lawrence, KS

Designed and taught undergraduate Social Problems classes (while completing an MA in

Sociology).

Teacher of English As A Foreign Language

Jun-1974 to May-1977 Strategakis Schools of English Thessaloniki GREECE Taught English as a Foreign Language to all ages and levels of proficiency at a private Greek language school.

## **Special Training Includes:**

Mediation Master Class, UNM School of Law, March 2002. 2001 Leadership Training Institute, Inaugural Class Graduate, State Bar of New Mexico.

#### **Publications Include:**

Periodic Columnist with the *Los Alamos Daily Post*, an online daily newspaper (primarily in early 2013 -- I published a 10-part column in the Los Alamos Daily Post, an online newspaper in Los Alamos, NM called "Help with the Hard Stuff", on how clients can understand and select and work better with their attorneys. The column provides public information and is not providing legal advice.

## Awards and Special Honors Include:

Invitee to and attendee at the 2006 Consolidating Our Collective Wisdom Conference: Best Counsel and Advice to the Next Generation, convened by The Keystone Center and Mediate.com, Keystone, CO.

Chair of 1st Judicial District's *Pro Se Challenge Project*, awarded NM Bar Association's Outstanding Program of 1999 Award.

#### **Current Professional Associations:**

Member, NM Bar Association (active); Member, DC Bar Association (inactive); Member, American Bar Association; Member, National Association of Consumer Bankruptcy Attorneys.

### **Recent Professional and Personal Volunteer Work:**

Member, State Bar of New Mexico's Law Practice Management Committee (2007 to 2015).

Member, Hon. Sylvia Lamar's (1st Judicial District) Access to Justice advisory committee on ADR and *pro bono* programs (part of the New Mexico Supreme's Court Access to Justice initiative)(2009 to 2016).

Docent, Mesa Prieta Petroglyph Project (MPPP) (2012 to present); lead tours of the site.

## **Tony T. Flores**

From:

User Team <wyopeterson@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, May 23, 2017 9:52 PM

To:

Tony T. Flores

Subject:

expression of interest

**Attachments:** 

resume2017.pdf; flores letter.rtf

Mr. Flores, as we discussed in emails earlier today, I have attached my letter of interest and resume to express my interest in the position of Probate Judge.

If you should require any additional information, or if there is a problem with the attachments to this email, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you.

Meredith Peterson



## Meredith Oakes Peterson 45 Cielo de Oro Santa Fe, NM 87508

May 23, 2017

Dear Mr. Flores:

I am writing to express my interest in the position of Probate Judge.

I have reviewed the qualifications for this position, and am happy and proud to say that I meet all of them. I am a citizen of the United States, and have been a resident of New Mexico for just over one year, having moved here from Wyoming in March 2016. I reside in Santa Fe County, just outside of the city of Santa Fe. I am over the age of 18, a qualified elector in Santa Fe County, and have never been convicted of a felony. I am currently preparing to sit for the New Mexico bar examination in July 2017.

I am a member of both the Wyoming and Nebraska state bar associations and have been engaged in the practice of law for over twenty-nine years. My most recent employment was as the Municipal Court Judge for the City of Laramie, Wyoming. I have also served as a prosecuting attorney in both Nebraska (1988-2003) and Wyoming (2005-2010). I also worked for a time in the private practice of law in Wyoming. I have thus experienced the judicial system in two states, from all aspects, and through these experiences I have learned to approach each litigant with compassion, empathy and understanding.

Although I have not had extensive experience with probate courts, I am a thorough researcher and a very quick learner. I have effectively "started over" three times in my career. As I stated, my early career was spent as a prosecuting attorney in Hastings, Nebraska. When I moved to Pinedale, Wyoming, I had to become familiar with the rules and statutes associated with civil causes of action. My prosecutor position in Pinedale then required me to discard what I remembered from Nebraska's criminal statutes, and learn Wyoming's criminal code. Finally, when I moved to Laramie, Wyoming, I had to quickly learn all of the applicable ordinances of the City of Laramie! Based on these experiences, I feel that I would be able to quickly master and apply the New Mexico statutes and procedures for the Santa Fe County probate court.

I would welcome the chance to discuss this position with you. My contact details are as follows: my personal cell phone number is 307-360-6110; my personal email address is: wyopeterson@yahoo.com.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Meredith Oakes Peterson

#### MEREDITH OAKES PETERSON 45 CIELO DE ORO SANTA FE, NM 87508

#### EMPLOYMENT:

#### Judge, City of Laramie Municipal Court, Laramie, Wyoming.

April 1, 2013-March 31, 2015.

Duties: Presiding over all types of Municipal Court proceedings, including arraignments. sentencings, bench trials and jury trials; researching and drafting orders and decisions regarding questions of law.

## Magistrate Judge, Sublette County Circuit Court, Pinedale, Wyoming.

January 2011-March 2013.

Presided over all types of circuit court proceedings, including arraignments, sentencings, bond review hearings, and bench trials. Also presided over Sublette County Treatment Court proceedings on occasion.

#### Deputy Sublette County Attorney, Pinedale, Wyoming.

April 1, 2005 to December 20, 2010.

Prosecuted misdemeanor cases of all kinds in the Circuit Court of Sublette County. Made charging decisions based on review of law enforcement reports and/or consultation with officers, then prosecuted the cases from arraignment through trial; participated in bench and jury trials. Member of the Sublette County Treatment Court team.

# Associate Attorney, Law Offices of Elizabeth Greenwood, Pinedale, Wyoming.

February 2003 to April 2005.

Represented clients in divorce actions, personal injury cases, and clients charged with criminal offenses, including all stages of case management, trial preparation, and research; assisting Ms. Greenwood with case preparation and research, and other duties as assigned.

#### Deputy Adams County Attorney, Hastings, Nebraska.

May 1988 to February 2003.

Prosecuted all types of criminal cases, from traffic to misdemeanors to felonies. Made charging decisions based on review of law enforcement reports and/or consultation with law enforcement officers, then prosecuted the cases from the initial appearance (arraignment), through trial; participated in numerous misdemeanor and felony jury trials. Rotating on-call attorney for law enforcement officers, available 24 hours to answer questions and obtain search warrants as needed. Rotating on-call Adams County Coroner.

#### EDUCATION:

University of Nebraska, Lincoln, Nebraska. Bachelor of Journalism degree, May 1983.

University of Nebraska College of Law, Juris Doctor, May 1987.

University of Nebraska Graduate College, Master of Arts (Journalism), December 1989.

REFERENCES: Available upon request.

## Roger I. Rivera

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Mayo 15, 2017

Santa Fe County Manager's Office Tony Flores, Deputy County Manager P.O. Box 276 Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87504- 276

Dear Mr. Flores:

The "Santa Fe County Probate Judge" open position posted by the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners is of special interest to me because it calls for qualifications highlighted on my attached resume.

For more than a decade I have performed an assortment of duties in our Administrative Legal System. I am an experienced Criminal Justice Professional, Bilingual English/Spanish, with a wide array of transferable skills and workplace experience comprising in: Detention and Security, Case Management and Corrections Industry Operation, which include Inmates' Hearing and Investigations procedures, along with interpretation of their Judgment and Sentencing documentations as well.

In addition to an associate degree in Justice Administration, I also have an outstanding ability to work with different groups of people and strong work ethic that is evidenced by my concisely work attendance record and references available at your request.

Simultaneously with excellent organizational skills, I have a significant expertise in Bookkeeping and Office Administration that include Government Funded Programs and I believe this is an opportunity that will be mutually beneficial for both of us.

It would be an honor to have the opportunity to further discuss the possibility of being considerate for this position and to serve our community at large. You can contact me at 505-339-44-63 or by email at <a href="mailto:roger.i.rivera@gmail.com">roger.i.rivera@gmail.com</a>, and I thank you for your serious consideration to my resume and credentials.

Sincerely,

Roger I. Rivera (505)-297-4390



## Roger I. Rivera

25 Tina Road Edgewood, NM 87015

Cell (505)-339-4463 roger.i.rivera@gmail.com

## **SKILLS & CERTIFICATIONS**

Detention and Security Corrections Industry Operation Offenders Electronic Monitoring

Microsoft Office Suite New Mexico Notary Public Justice Administration Degree

Case Management Government Funded Programs Bookkeeping & Office Administration

### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

Electronic Monitoring - Case Manager

Santa Fe County Department of Corrections. Santa Fe, N.M. (505)-992-9880

1/2012 to Present

Community custody program: to supervised Law offenders released on Court mandate Electronic Monitoring (GPS) equipment, and Case Management to provide support and structure to assist them to establish theirs goals; including individual programs. personal budget, or enrolling them in educational or vocational programs; including family and community liaison activities.

#### Central New Mexico Correctional Facility. (505)-383-3387 Los Lunas N.M Classification Officer - Case Manager

9/2013 to 4/2016

1/2011 to 7/2013

I provided social services to assist in the rehabilitation of law offenders in custody or on probation or in parole. Along with that, I made recommendations for actions involving formulation of rehabilitation plan or treatment of offenders, (Parole Plans); which included community liaison activities, English/Spanish interpretation of inmate's Judgment and sentencing documents, and when required I participated as an interpreter at their Parole Board Hearings. Together with that I also was cross trained with the Receiving and Diagnostic Center unit; the Mental Health Care unit and the Intake and Booking process unit as well.

#### Bernalillo County Metropolitan Detention Center. Albuquerque NM. (505)-839-8700 Sewing Program Manager

Started, and managed the Bernalillo County Metro Detention Center's jail textile industry, including the manufacturing of inmate's uniforms and their accessories: I also supervised and trained staff and inmates, and oversaw the quality control of the jail's industry as well. In addition to that I ran routine inventories, reviewed purchase of equipment and materials and administrated program's budget. Furthermore; it pleases me that I was able to contribute with my skills and knowledge to hopefully allow our country's most forgotten and undesired citizens to succeed in their rehabilitation to re-enter the community.

## Dismas Charities, Inc. (Regional Correctional Center). Albuquerque, N.M. **Administrator Assistant**

6/2007 to 12/2010

Managed all office and administrative functions; included: Cash Management, staff Time Cards, Billings, Budget, Expenses Allocations, and Purchases and Requisitions. Also I assisted the Facility Director in all aspects of administration and management. I prepared and compiled data, and analyzed periodic reports for Director's presentation to the Executive Corporate Management and for the Federal Bureau of Prison; in conjunction with Facility's arrangements for annual inspections & Audits, performed as Staff Duty Officer, and I participated on inmate's investigations and disciplinary hearings.

## La Vida Felicidad Los Lunas, N.M. (Non-profit Care Provider) (505)-565-1614 Office Manager/Bookkeeper

1/2005 to 10/2005

Oπice Manager/Bookkeeper

Managed day-to-day office operations, and information management, along with payroll processes for more than 300 employees which included printing checks and bank's direct deposits ensuring accuracy and completeness of data, along with payroll taxes filed and paid through the FTPS system. Additionally to that I oversaw the Bookkeeping process and reviewed the budget and the expenses categories. What is more: satisfied me that I was able to provide quality assurance in services and advocacy to our most vulnerable and fragile population.

#### ARCA. Albuquerque, N.M. (Non-profit Care Provider) (505)-332-6700

3/1999 to 11/2004

Accounts Receivable/Payroll Specialist

Data and billing produced for services provided through Medicaid-Waiver procedures. Also I recorded financial transactions for three corporations, and performed all payroll functions and related duties for 650 employees, along with excellent customer service/human relations skills. Moreover: Fulfilled me that through my service and commitment I was able to improve the life of our most susceptible and fragile population.

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Brookline College A.A. degree in Justice Administration	2010	Albuquerque, NM
Brookline College Detention & Security Specialist	2009	Albuquerque, NM
Franklin Business College Computer tech/applications	1992	Albuquerque, NM
Institute Technical Vocational (CNM) Accounting	1988	Albuquerque, NM
	TRAINING AND COURSEWORK	
New Mexico Department of Corrections Safety Driving Classification Officer	2014 2014	Los Lunas, NM Santa Fe, NM
Bernalillo County Sheriff Department Citizen Police Academy	2013	Albuquerque, NM
Bernalillo County Supervisor/Leadership	2012	Albuquerque, NM
University of New Mexico	2008	Albuquerque, NM

HOBBY

During two decades **the Hispano News**, an Albuquerque Spanish language newspaper published weekly articles that I wrote as Free-lance writer/journalist, which allowed me to increase my ability to work with different groups of people and enhance my wiliness for public service.

Human Resources Management

#### SUZANNE WALTZ RONNEAU

2583 Camino San Patricio, Santa Fe, NM 87505 (505) 699-7781 sronneau@bellsouth.net

May 15, 2017

Santa Fe County Commissioners Attn: Tony Flores, Deputy County Manager PO. Box 276 Santa Fe, New Mexico 87504-0276

Letter of Interest: Probate Judge

#### Ladies/Gentlemen:

I am a retired attorney with extensive experience in estate planning and probate. When I learned of Shannon's decision to leave her post as Probate Judge, I immediately realized that this would be a position in which I could be of good service in Santa Fe, where I have resided for three years.

While in legal practice in Ohio and Florida, I handled many cases in the Probate courts, and have attended many seminars on estate planning and probate. Virtually all of my clients were low to middle income people who had worked, raised families, and lived simple lives. Though I stayed far from becoming a rich attorney, I found it greatly rewarding to help my clients with issues such as writing their wills, probating the estate of a spouse or parent, establishing a guardianship for a parent who was no longer competent, adopting a stepchild, and working out a very messy family fight over the distribution of personal effects. In the 1990s I probated the estates of a woman who died in 1939 and her daughter who died in 1972, so their eighteen heirs were able to sell what had seemed like useless land.

My daughter has lived in Santa Fe for many years; my grandson was born here and is now in high school. I moved here in 2014 to be near them, and since then I have been active in the League of Women Voters, the Unitarian Church, and Shakespeare Close Readers. I also served as an Alternate on the City Council Redistricting Committee (2015). I read Spanish well, understand slowly spoken Spanish, and speak Spanish haltingly. I am very willing to work to improve my Spanish language skills.

I realize you will have many well qualified applicants for this position. I believe I would bring experience and maturity to the position, and I would not be using it as a stepping stone to another position but solely as an opportunity to serve this community.

I do meet the minimum requirements for the position and will of course be happy to supply any documentation, information or references upon your request.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Sú<del>za</del>ńne Waltz Ronneau



## SUZANNE WALTZ RONNEAU

## RESUME

CURRENT: VOTER INFORMATION CHAIR, LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF

SANTA FE COUNTY

TREASURER, LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF NEW MEXICO

(after May 21)

MEMBER, COMMITTEE ON SHARED MINISTRY, UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

CONGREGATION OF SANTA FE

**BAR MEMBERSHIPS:** 

OHIO - Admitted 1992 - Status: Good Standing, Inactive

FLORIDA - Admitted 1994 - Status: Good Standing, Inactive

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT:

2003-2011

FAMILY/DEPENDENCY MEDIATOR, SEVENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT,

STATE OF FLORIDA

1999-2003

STAFF ATTORNEY, COMMUNITY LEGAL SERVICES (A Legal Aid

Organization), DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA

1997-1999

ASSOCIATE, CROWE & WELCH ATTORNEYS, MILFORD, OHIO

1992-1996

ASSOCIATE, KATZMAN, LOGAN & HALPER, BLUE ASH, OHIO

**EDUCATION:** 

JD

UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI

MA

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA

BA INDIANA UNIVERSITY

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