

THE JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION

**SUPERIOR COURT INTERVIEW HEARING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2016**

MINUTES

Mrs. Dowling called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. in Conference Room B on the 2nd floor of the Department of Administration Building. Rachel DiNezza, Legal Assistant to the Commission, kept the Minutes. Ms. DiNezza called the roll. The following Commissioners were present: Mrs. Dowling, Mr. Flanagan, Mr. Landroche, Mr. Rabideau and Ms. Shekarchi. Mrs. Dowling declared that a quorum was present. Mrs. Duffy arrived at 5:32 p.m., Ms. Haynes arrived at 5:37 p.m. and Mr. McAuliffe arrived at 5:48 p.m.

Mr. Watchorn was absent.

Mrs. Dowling pointed out that the Notice of the Meeting had been properly posted on February 18, 2016 in accordance with the Open Meetings Act. A copy of that Notice is annexed to these Minutes.

Mrs. Dowling welcomed Ms. Shekarchi to the Commission.

The following individuals were interviewed for the current vacancy on the Rhode Island Superior Court: Maureen B. Keough, Lynette Labinger, Olin Thompson, Stacey Pires Veroni, J. Patrick Youngs, Thomas G. Briody, and Henry S. Monti

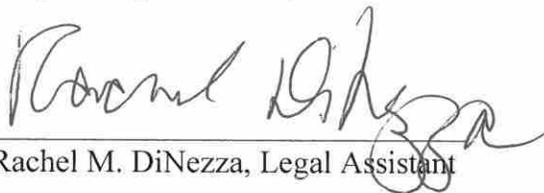
Ballots were circulated and the votes tallied. A question arose as to the application of the Commission's Rules and Regulations and it was decided that a Legal Opinion would be requested.

On a motion by Mr. McAuliffe and seconded by Mr. Flanagan, it was unanimously voted to continue the meeting regarding voting.

On a motion by Mr. Flanagan and seconded by Mr. Landroche, it was voted to seal the voting results pending receipt of the Legal Opinion. Mr. Rabideau voted nay.

There being no further business, on a motion by Mr. Landroche and seconded by Mr. Flanagan, it was unanimously voted to adjourn at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Rachel M. DiNezza, Legal Assistant

JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the Judicial Nominating Commission will be held at the Department of Administration, One Capitol Hill, Providence, Rhode Island, Second Floor Conference Room B on **Thursday, February 25, 2016, beginning at 5:30 p.m.** for the following purposes:

(1) To approve the Minutes of the Open Meeting of the Commission on February 24 2016; and

(2) To interview applicants for the current vacancy on the Rhode Island Superior Court due to retirement of Associate Justice Edward C. Clifton. Those applicants being interviewed are as follows:

Maureen B. Keough
Lynette Labinger
Olin Thompson
Stacey PiresVeroni
J. Patrick Youngs
Thomas G. Briody
Henry S. Monti

(3) To vote to select those candidates whose names will be sent to the Governor for her consideration.

Commission members may elect to go into executive session pursuant to Rhode Island General Laws §42-46-5(a)(1) (discussions of job performance, character, or physical or mental health of a person or persons who have been notified in writing and advised that they may require that the discussion be held at open meeting).

The public is welcome to attend.

Pursuant to RIGL §42-46-(c) and (f) this notice will be posted on Thursday, February 18, 2016, at the Office of the Department of Administration, the State House Library and electronically with the Secretary of State. Anyone wishing to attend this meeting who may have special needs for access or services such as an interpreter, please contact Rachel DiNezza at (401) 427-6155 twenty-four hours in advance of the scheduled meeting.

Sarah T. Dowling
Chairperson