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RESOLUTION # _____

**“RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE APPOINTMENT OF DESIREE WILSON AS
AN ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER IN LARAMIE COUNTY, WYOMING, AS
REQUIRED BY W. S. §7-6-103(f).”**

WHEREAS, W.S. §7-6-103(f) authorizes the County to advise the Governor of Wyoming concerning the appointment of Assistant Public Defenders; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has reviewed Desiree Wilson qualifications and has considered the recommendation of Diane Lozano, the Wyoming Public Defender;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF LARAMIE COUNTY, WYOMING, that it recommends the appointment of Desiree Wilson as an Assistant Public Defender.

PRESENTED, READ AND ADOPTED this ____ day of October, 2017.

BOARD OF LARAMIE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Chairman

ATTEST:

Debra Lee, Laramie County Clerk

Reviewed and approved as to form only:



Mark Voss, Laramie County Attorney



OFFICE *of the* WYOMING STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER

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Matthew H. Mead
GOVERNOR

Diane M. Lozano
STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER

Ryan R. Roden
DEPUTY STATE
PUBLIC DEFENDER

September 28, 2017

Mr. Troy Thompson, Chairman
Laramie County Commissioner
310 West 19th Street, Ste 300
Cheyenne, WY 82009

Dear Commissioner Thompson:

I am writing to notify you that the Office of the State Public Defender would like Desiree Wilson to be appointed, as a full-time contract Assistant Public Defender for the State Public Defender Appellant Division throughout the State of Wyoming. I am notifying you pursuant to Wyoming Statutes §7-6-103(f), which reads:

The governor may appoint full or part-time assistant public defenders in each judicial district with the advice of the state public defender, the district judge of the district and the boards of county commissioners in the district. In appointing assistant public defenders the governor shall consider the recommendations submitted to him, the demand for legal services, the criminal case load statistics, the population, the geographical characteristics and any other relevant factors.

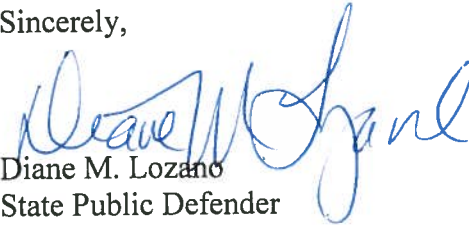
Ms. Wilson will share the criminal caseload with the other assistant appellant public defenders in the Appellant Division. Ms. Wilson will be replacing Eric Alden in the Appellate Division. Ms. Wilson is a 2011 graduate of the University Of Pennsylvania School Of Law. She was admitted to the Wyoming State Bar in 2011. Her résumé is enclosed for your perusal.

Please submit any input that you may have about this pending appointment to me prior to October 16, 2017. Upon that date, I will present Ms. Wilson to Governor Mead for appointment as a part time contract Assistant Public Defender in the Appellant Division. I will forward your input to the Governor at that time.

If you wish to reply by phone or otherwise discuss the appointment, please feel free to give me a call at 777-7519. Also, my email address is diane.lozano@wyo.gov. I am available at your convenience to discuss this appointment.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,



Diane M. Lozano
State Public Defender

Enclosure
DML/gl

DESIREE WILSON

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EDUCATION

J.D. 2008

University of Pennsylvania School of Law, Philadelphia, PA

Honors: Levy Scholar

Activities: Student Representative, Council of Student Representatives
Faculty Representative, Council of Student Representatives
Chair, Ambassador Committee of *Phi Alpha Delta*
Student Ombudsperson

M.B.E. 2008

University of Pennsylvania Center for Bioethics, Philadelphia, PA

M.D. Program
2004-2005

University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, Denver, CO

Activities: Co-President, First-Year Class
Chair, Medical Student Council Legislative Committee
Student Board Member, Colorado Medical Society Council on Legislation

B.S. 2004

University of Wyoming, Laramie, WY

Majors: Zoology & Physiology, Honors Program

Minor: Psychology

Honors: *magna cum laude*

Phi Beta Kappa

College of Arts & Sciences Outstanding Graduate

Department of Zoology Outstanding Graduate

EXPERIENCE

September 1, 2016 –
Present

Wilson Law Office, P.C., Lander, WY

Owner, Founding Attorney

Criminal defense law firm, providing services related to the defense of federal and state criminal charges. Services are provided primarily for low- to moderate-income clients.

November 19, 2012 –
August 19, 2016

United States Attorney's Office for the District of Wyoming, Lander, WY

Assistant United States Attorney, Criminal Division

Prosecuted felony and misdemeanor violent and nonviolent crimes arising on the Wind River Indian Reservation. Also prosecuted drug and gun, Lacey Act, white collar, child exploitation, sex offender failure to register, and U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management cases. Worked closely with federal investigative agencies such as the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, directed investigations, and focused case development. Handled all aspects of prosecution from the investigative stage to trial or guilty plea, sentencing, and appeal.

June 27, 2011-
November 16, 2012

United States District Court for the District of Wyoming, Cheyenne, WY

Law Clerk to the Honorable Clarence A. Brimmer

Assisted Judge Brimmer in all aspects of criminal and social security case management, drafted opinions and orders of court for dispositive and non-dispositive matters in criminal, habeas corpus appeal, prisoner civil rights, and social security appeal cases. Conducted legal research, provided recommendations and bench memoranda to Judge Brimmer for complex or novel legal issues.

June 1, 2009 –
September 30, 2010

Post & Schell, P.C., Allentown, PA

Associate, Casualty Litigation and Professional Liability Litigation

Assisted in all aspects of state and federal pre-trial proceedings, including drafting pleadings, litigating pleadings, reviewing medical records, preparing and responding to discovery, drafting and arguing motions, and drafting complex pre-trial motions. Prepared clients for deposition testimony, defended depositions, performed case valuation, and counseled clients on settlement recommendations.

August 11, 2008 –
May 29, 2009

Northampton County Court of Common Pleas, Easton, PA

Law Clerk to the Honorable Stephen G. Baratta

Aided Judge Baratta in efficient management of court proceedings in civil and criminal matters, prepared jury instructions and verdict slips, drafted opinions and orders of court for non-jury trials, preliminary objections, motions for summary judgment, motions to suppress, and petitions for post-conviction and post-trial relief.

January 14, 2008 –
April 25, 2008

Philadelphia Office of the Public Defender, Philadelphia, PA

Criminal Defense Clinic

Interviewed and counseled clients accused of misdemeanor and felony crimes, developed case theories, interviewed witnesses, negotiated with opposing counsel, prepared and presented pretrial motions, and represented clients in misdemeanor and felony pretrial hearings.

May 14, 2007 –
August 17, 2007

Sidley Austin LLP, Washington D.C.

Summer Associate

Contributed to various projects, including a pro bono criminal conviction appeal, an analysis of the Medicare Antikickback Statute, and a *Daubert* motion in a housing discrimination case.

AFFILIATIONS

January 2016

Habitat for Humanity Wind River Country, Board of Directors

May 2011

Wyoming State Bar, Admitted

October 2008

Pennsylvania State Bar, Admitted, Inactive

Pennsylvania Bar Association, Member, Inactive

INTERESTS

Downhill skiing, rock climbing, mountain biking, flute, and piano.