

RESOLUTION # _____

**“RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING THE APPOINTMENT OF JEREMY
MEERKREEBS 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 Jeremy Meerkreebs 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 Jeremy Meerkreebs as an Assistant Public Defender.

PRESENTED, READ AND ADOPTED this ____ day of October, 2020.

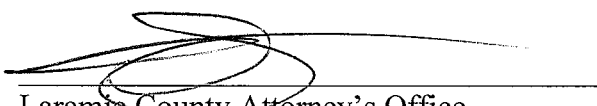
BOARD OF LARAMIE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Chairman

ATTEST:

Debra Lee, Laramie County Clerk

Reviewed and approved as to form only:



Laramie County Attorney's Office



OFFICE *of the* WYOMING STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER

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Mark Gordon
GOVERNOR

Diane M. Lozano
STATE PUBLIC DEFENDER

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DEPUTY STATE
PUBLIC DEFENDER

September 21, 2020

Commissioner Gunnar Malm, Chairman
Laramie County Commissioner
310 W. 19th Street, Suite 300
Cheyenne, WY 82001

Dear Chairman Malm:

I am writing to notify you that the Office of the State Public Defender intends to hire Jeremy Meerkreebs, as a Full Time Assistant Public Defender for the 1st Judicial District. 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.

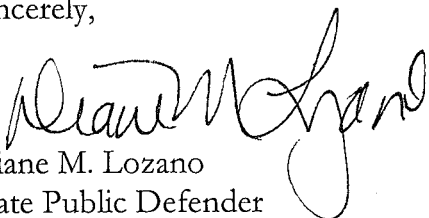
Mr. Meerkreebs will share the criminal caseload with the other assistant public defenders in the 1st Judicial District. He may also be asked to assist with conflict cases or assignments in other Judicial Districts. Mr. Meerkreebs is a 2020 graduate of the University Of Wyoming College Of Law, Laramie, WY. He was admitted to the Wyoming State Bar in 2020. His résumé is enclosed for your perusal.

Please submit any input that you may have about this pending appointment to me prior to October 5, 2020. Upon that date, I will present Mr. Meerkreebs to Governor Gordon for appointment as an Assistant Public Defender. 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

JEREMY W. MEERKREEBS

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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING, COLLEGE OF LAW | LARAMIE, WY | J.D., CLASS OF 2020

GPA – 3.81 | Class Rank – 1/67

Activities: Wyoming Law Review (Editorial Staff), Summer Trial Institute (2019), Cambridge Summer Law Institute (2018), Phi Kappa Phi

Honors: President's Honor Roll, Dean's Honor Roll, Honor Roll

UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING | LARAMIE, WY | B.A. IN LINGUISTIC ANTHROPOLOGY/RUSSIAN, 2009

GPA – 3.40

Honors: George C. Frison Institute Student of the Year, 2009

Dick and Lynne Cheney Study Abroad Grant, 2008

President's List, Dean's List

EXPERIENCE

JANUARY, 2020 – MAY, 2020 | UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING, COLLEGE OF LAW | LARAMIE, WY

Student Attorney, Defender Aid Clinic

- Represented indigent criminal defendants. Caseload included municipal trial court and appellate cases.

AUGUST 2019 – MAY, 2020 | UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING, COLLEGE OF LAW | LARAMIE, WY

Research Assistant for Professor Dona Playton

- Supported faculty supervisor in producing a substantial law review article relating to family visitation rights for state and federal inmates. Tasks included researching, collecting, and summarizing secondary sources, case law, statutes, and administrative rules and policies.

JANUARY, 2019 – JANUARY, 2020 | UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING, COLLEGE OF LAW | LARAMIE, WY

Student Attorney, Family and Child Legal Advocacy Clinic

- Represented indigent parties in family law matters, from initial pleadings to trial or pre-trial settlement. Managed a caseload including divorce, child custody, and child support orders and modification.

SUMMER, 2019 | CHAMBERS OF THE HONORABLE JUDGE GREGORY A. PHILLIPS | CHEYENNE, WY

Intern Law Clerk

- Assisted law clerks with proofreading and legal research for opinion drafts and bench memoranda. Drafted an order and judgment for the court.

SUMMER, 2018 | UNIVERSITY OF WYOMING, COLLEGE OF LAW | LARAMIE, WY

Research Assistant for Professor Michael C. Duff

- Researched Wyoming law to assist in the production of the state's first jurisdictional treatise on workers' compensation law. Identified issues and produced summaries of case law and legislative history.