

Message: Letter re: Ellen Ramsey-Kacena

 **Letter re: Ellen Ramsey-Kacena**

From Justin Lightfoot **Date** Monday, June 11, 2018 5:30 PM
To Meaghan.Obrien@iowa.gov
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Hello,

Please find the attached letter regarding Ms. Ramsey-Kacena's nomination for the district judge position in the Sixth Judicial District.

Thank you,

Justin Lightfoot

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Justin Lightfoot

Cedar Rapids, IA

June 11, 2018

The Honorable Kim Reynolds
Governor
State of Iowa

Dear Governor Reynolds:

I am writing regarding the nomination of Ellen Ramsey-Kacena for the vacant district judge position in the Sixth Judicial District.

As a federal prosecutor, I have not had an opportunity to work with Ellen on any cases, so I cannot offer any first-hand impressions of how her practice of law will guide her as a district judge. However, a respectful judicial temperament is an important characteristic of a trial court judge, and I can provide some insight into the judicial temperament that attorneys could expect to find in a courtroom where Judge Ellen Ramsey-Kacena is presiding.

I primarily know Ellen through contact in various bar association functions over the past few years. Throughout all these conversations, I have come to know Ellen as a friendly, respectful, and knowledgeable attorney who is always willing to lend a hand to her fellow attorneys and serve her community. By way of example, I was recently asked to speak at local high school regarding the practice of law. The teacher was having difficulty finding speakers for the morning session, for which I was unavailable. To no one's surprise, Ellen quickly volunteered to handle the session. I have also regularly encountered Ellen at local mock trial events, where she generously gives her time year after year. Simply put, Ellen has demonstrated a passion for helping others, and that passion is an incredibly important characteristic for our trial court judges to possess.

Likewise, I am confident that Ellen would treat all attorneys and litigants that appear before her with respect. Her cheerful demeanor would be an asset to the district court.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter. If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me at

Sincerely,

Justin Lightfoot

Message: Letter of support for Jason Besler

 **Letter of support for Jason Besler**

From Jodi Hendrickson **Date** Monday, June 11, 2018 9:18 PM
To meaghan.obrien@iowa.gov
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Dear Meaghan,

Please find attached a letter of support for Jason Besler. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Jodi Hendrickson


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June 11, 2018

Dear Governor Reynolds:

It is my pleasure to write this letter of support on behalf of Jason Besler. I have been writing presentence investigations for the Department of Correctional Services since 1999 and have had many opportunities to work with Jason throughout the years. Our paths have crossed many times with his current position as Associate Linn County Attorney.

During my encounters with Jason he has always displayed a professional demeanor. He is easy to work with and has a caring personality. Jason has displayed his ability to look at an individual beyond the crime code of their offense and to look at the individual person. He has demonstrated the ability to find a balance between holding a defendant accountable, the need to protect the community, and rehabilitation of the person.

I strongly recommend Jason Besler for District Court Judge. Please feel free to contact me at [REDACTED] if you need any additional information or clarification.

Sincerely,

Jodi Hendrickson

Please note this letter of support is that of this writer and should not be construed as being that of the entirety of the Department of Correctional Services.

Message: Re: Letter of Recommendation for Ellen Ramsey-Kacena

Re: Letter of Recommendation for Ellen Ramsey-Kacena

From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Tuesday, June 12, 2018 9:54 AM
To Sara Linder
Cc

Thank you!

On Mon, Jun 11, 2018 at 10:39 AM, Sara Linder <SLinder@bkfamilylaw.com> wrote:

Ms. O'Brien,

Attached is my letter for Governor Reynolds recommending Ellen Ramsey-Kacena for the position of district court judge in the Sixth District. If you or the Governor need anything additional, please do not hesitate to ask.

Thank you,

Sara Linder

Sara Strain Linder

Attorney

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From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Tuesday, June 12, 2018 10:09 AM
To Justin Lightfoot
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Thank you!

On Mon, Jun 11, 2018 at 5:29 PM, Justin Lightfoot <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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Justin Lightfoot

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Message: Re: Letter of support for Jason Besler

☐ **Re: Letter of support for Jason Besler**

From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Tuesday, June 12, 2018 10:10 AM
To Jodi Hendrickson
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Thank you!

On Mon, Jun 11, 2018 at 9:18 PM, Jodi Hendrickson <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear Meaghan,

Please find attached a letter of support for Jason Besler. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Jodi Hendrickson
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From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Tuesday, June 12, 2018 10:10 AM
To Steven Carpenter
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Thank you!

On Mon, Jun 11, 2018 at 10:07 PM, Steven Carpenter <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear Ms. O'Brien:

First, my apologies if this letter is late. I have been in the Missouri Ozarks and just returned to Iowa.

Please share the attached letter for Mr. Besler with the Governor and whomever else might be interested in same.

With Best Regards,

Steve Carpenter

[REDACTED]

Cedar Rapids, IA [REDACTED]

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From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Tuesday, June 12, 2018 10:10 AM
To Caleb Hunter
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Thanks!

On Tue, Jun 12, 2018 at 9:23 AM, Caleb Hunter <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear Meaghan,

Jason Besler would be an exceptional choice to serve as a district court judge. I encourage Governor Reynolds to look favorably on his nomination.

I first met Jason in 2002 and have stayed in touch with him over the years. I found him to be a kind, consistent, and thoughtful conservative. His addition to the Iowa judicial branch would be a benefit to both to the state of Iowa and in the advancement of conservative jurisprudence.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Caleb Hunter

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Message: Re: Recommendation for Jason Besler from Steve Scheffler

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From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Tuesday, June 12, 2018 10:13 AM
To Steve Scheffler
Cc

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Thank you!

On Mon, Jun 11, 2018 at 6:41 PM, Steve Scheffler < > wrote:



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Please see attached letter recommending Jason Besler's candidacy for the 6th judicial district vacancy.

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Thank you,
Steve Scheffler

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Message: Re: Wyatt Peterson Letter of Recommendation District Judge

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From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Tuesday, June 12, 2018 10:14 AM
To Jarred Freese
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Thank you!

On Mon, Jun 11, 2018 at 9:50 PM, Jarred Freese <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Please see the attached letter of recommendation for Wyatt P. Peterson.

Please confirm receipt.

Thank you,

Jarred Freese, MD

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Message: Re: Reference Letter for Wyatt Peterson

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From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Tuesday, June 12, 2018 10:17 AM
To Weaver & Huddle Law
Cc

Thank you!

On Tue, Jun 12, 2018 at 9:58 AM, Weaver & Huddle Law <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Please see letter attached.

Sincerely yours,

Roger A. Huddle

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Message: Wyatt Peterson - Letter of Recommendation

 **Wyatt Peterson - Letter of Recommendation**

From Joe Slavens
To Meaghan.Obrien@Iowa.Gov
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Date Wednesday, June 13, 2018 1:33 PM

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June 13, 2018

The Honorable Kim Reynolds
Governor of Iowa
1007 East Grand Ave.
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Dear Governor Reynolds,

I am writing you to recommend that you appoint Wyatt Peterson to serve as a district judge of Iowa's Eighth Judicial District, Sub District 8B. Please be advised that while Wyatt and I are third cousins, a relationship worthy of disclosure and the reason I have known him for his entire life, I do not believe our relationship impacts my objectivity, rather, it gives me just the right distance from which to see clearly who he is.

Please allow me to comment on four factors that support my recommendation, namely, Wyatt's Integrity, his Legal Ability/Experience, Wyatt's Temperament and his Life Experience.

Iowa crops are the product of fertile farmland and the unmatched skill and dedication of Iowa farmers. Like Iowa crops, Wyatt's integrity is the product of an Iowa farming community where his parents, grandparents, and entire community raised him to be committed to hard work, honesty, self-reliance and a steadfast commitment to do what is right. You do not measure integrity on a scale of 1-10. Integrity is binary. Either you have it or you do not. Wyatt has it and anyone you talk to that knows him will say the same.

Wyatt has been an attorney for 15 years. Early in his career, he obtained significant courtroom experience as the Assistant County with the Washington County Attorney's office. More recently, he was appointed to serve as a part-time Henry County Magistrate. In private practice, he has had the opportunity to work with clients in virtually every area of the law, including, but not limited to, litigation, real estate, business planning and contracts, and probate and trusts. Simply put, Wyatt's broad legal experience (public and private; as a prosecutor and criminal defense counsel, including issues involving juveniles, mental health and substance abuse; as a magistrate; and as a private practice attorney) is precisely the varied experience necessary to deal with the diverse issues judges face daily.

When you meet with Wyatt, you will not meet the type of judge that would get good television ratings. To the contrary, you will meet with a man you would want to be the judge on your case, whether as an accused, a victim, a juror, a witness, a lawyer or otherwise. He is an outstanding listener. He is humble. He is not quick to judge, but firm and decisive once he has made up his mind. Most of all, he understands the gravity of this responsibility. In a judge, that is what you, and all Iowans, want . . . and deserve.

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Wyatt Peterson was born and raised in southeast Iowa. He attended college and law school in Iowa. He has served as an Iowa public employee. He has served as a magistrate judge in Iowa. He has engaged in the private practice of law. He works part-time in his father's livestock operation. I can think of no person better prepared by life to be an Iowa district court judge than Wyatt Peterson.

Wyatt is my cousin, my friend and a fellow member of the bar. As a banker, a community volunteer and a citizen of Iowa, it gives me great pride to know that you are considering Wyatt for this appointment. After meeting with him, I am confident that you will agree with me that he is the best choice to serve as a district judge of Iowa's Eighth Judicial District, Sub-District 8B.

Should you have any questions regarding this letter, Wyatt or any other matter, please do not hesitate to call me at 563-388-2577.

Sincerely,



Joe Slavens
President/CEO

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jbslavens@northwestbank.com

cc Meaghan O'Brien
Office of the Governor
1007 E. Grand Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50319

Message: Letter of Support for Wyatt Peterson, District Judge

 **Letter of Support for Wyatt Peterson, District Judge**

From Hudson family go James harden **Date** Wednesday, June 13, 2018 2:14 PM
To Meaghan.Obrien@iowa.gov
Cc [REDACTED]

 **Wyatt Peterson letter of support.pdf** (508 Kb HTML)

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The Honorable Kim Reynolds
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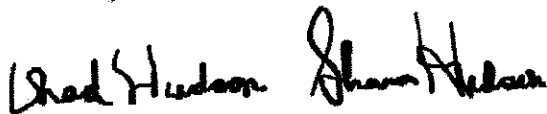
Dear Governor Reynolds,

The purpose of this letter concerns the upcoming appointment of District Court Judge in Judicial District 8B. It is with great pleasure that we write this letter of support for an applicant with whom we have professional and personal associations. While Wyatt Peterson's legal knowledge and ability, as well as professional experience, are exemplary, we feel his overall temperament, motivation, collegiality, and dedication to public service are the strongest points to consider.

Wyatt Peterson, Magistrate Judge in Henry County, has a plethora of characteristics that would make him an excellent District Court Judge. We think the easiest point to make is that his temperament (e.g., calm, even-keeled, compassionate, thoughtful, humble, rational) is appropriate and needed to uphold the time-honored ideals of the judicial branch. Of course, his experience, commitment to southeast Iowa, and knowledge are also factors that make him a strong option. Wyatt is a thoughtful man with deep integrity who has the ability to separate his personal convictions and desires from those that would best serve the larger good. We have seen him demonstrate this type of separation while serving as school board president among other venues.

As two working professionals in the Southeast Iowa region, involved in banking and education, we thank you for considering Wyatt Peterson for District Court Judge in Judicial District 8B. Our phone number is [REDACTED] should you desire a conversation regarding Wyatt's strengths.

Sincerely,




Mr. Chad Hudson, President, Wayland State Bank
Dr. Shawna Hudson, Professor, Iowa Wesleyan University

Message: Fwd: Attention Governor Reynolds

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From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Thursday, June 14, 2018 10:00 AM
To Elwell, Clayton
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From: Diane Cooper [REDACTED] >
Date: Thu, Jun 14, 2018 at 9:04 AM
Subject: Attention Governor Reynolds
To: Meaghan.Obrien@iowa.gov

Attached is a reference letter on behalf of Wyatt Peterson, nominee for District Court Judge in District 8B.

Please let us know that you received this attachment. Thank you for your attention to this request.

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From: Dawn Willson <[REDACTED]>
Date: Tue, Jun 12, 2018 at 7:37 PM
Subject: Document1
To: Meaghan.Obrien@iowa.gov

Ms. O'Brien:

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Attached is a letter to Governor Reynolds on behalf of Wyatt Peterson, who will be interviewed next week for the vacant District Court Judge position in District 8B.

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Thank you.

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Dawn Willson

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June 12, 2018

Dear Governor Kim Reynolds:

I am writing this letter to support Wyatt Peterson for the vacant District Court Judge position in Judicial District 8B.

I am a court attendant in North & South Lee County and recently helped with a magistrate jury trial in South Lee County where I had the pleasure to work with Magistrate Peterson. Magistrate Peterson made the jury feel welcome and explained procedures to them. The jury trial was a speeding ticket. The defendant was pro se, a "sovereign citizen", had a very different perspective of the law, and was somewhat outspoken. Magistrate Peterson was very even-tempered but firm with the pro se defendant, also explaining procedures to him and giving him guidance as needed. He was conscious of the jurors' time and kept the trial moving along.

Magistrate Peterson was very respectful of all jurors, litigants, and court personnel. I enjoyed working with him and feel that he would be an excellent addition to our judicial team.

Sincerely,

Dawn Willson

Court Attendant

North & South Lee County

The Honorable Governor Kim Reynolds
c/o Meaghan O'Brien
Office of the Governor
1007 E. Grand Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50319

RE: Nomination of Jason Besler to the 6th Judicial District

Governor Reynolds,

Please accept my unqualified and enthusiastic recommendation of Jason Besler for appointment to the 6th Judicial District vacancy.


I have known Jason since 1996, our first year in law school. Based on my experience as an Iowa attorney for the last 19 years, I believe Jason will make an excellent addition to the Iowa judiciary.

Jason is a man of deep faith that counsels him to act with absolute respect and empathy for those around him regardless of their background. He is intellectually rigorous and has a strong commitment to the rule of law and enforcing the text of the law rather than his own policy preferences. His personal integrity will ensure that he follows binding precedent without shying away from identify the flaws of that precedent and urging a higher court to rectify them. I believe he will work diligently, carefully, and economically to see that justice is provided according to the law without undue delay.

In short, I can think of very few law school classmates who are better suited to a role in the Iowa judiciary than Jason Besler.

If I can be of any further assistance please feel free to contact me.

Yours Truly,



Chad E. Nicholl
Attorney-at-Law



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Date Thursday, June 14, 2018 9:56 AM

Thank you!

On Wed, Jun 13, 2018 at 2:14 PM, Hudson family go James harden
<[REDACTED]> wrote:

Please accept this letter of support for Wyatt Peterson.

Thank you,

Shawna Hudson

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Message: Re: 8B Judicial District Court Appointment

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From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Friday, June 15, 2018 11:37 AM
To Patrick C. Brau
Cc

Thank you!

On Thu, Jun 14, 2018 at 3:22 PM, Patrick C. Brau <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Ms. O'Brien

I have attached a copy of a letter of support for Wyatt Peterson, a candidate for the District 8B District Court Judge position. It is my understanding that letters of support should be directed to you for the Governor's consideration. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Pat

Patrick C. Brau

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To chad nicholl
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From chad nicholl **Date** Sunday, June 17, 2018 3:13 PM
To meaghan.obrien@iowa.gov
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Attached please find my letter of recommendation for Mr. Besler.

Chad Nicholl

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From Chris Dolan **Date** Monday, June 18, 2018 9:00 AM
To Meaghan.Obrien@iowa.gov
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Honorable Kim Reynolds

Dear Governor Reynolds:

I am writing you to join with other attorneys who have written you in support of Jason Besler's nomination for the six judicial district judge vacancy.

I have known Jason and his family for over 12 years attending Cedar Valley Bible Church. I have also worked with Jason in Republican politics and more importantly, on right to life issues, and I know that he shares your deep personal commitment to protecting unborn lowans.

Jason is a tremendous attorney and his highly qualified for the judge position. I am both amazed and proud that the Linn County judicial nominating committee would offer you such a talented nominee who shares your core values and I really want to encourage you to appoint Jason to the vacancy.

Jason is a dignified person who will make you proud of this appointment and as a relatively young judicial appointee, he will be around for many years to ensure your judicial legacy and values long after your terms as Governor are completed.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to share my views on this important judicial appointment.

Respectfully,

Christopher K. Dolan



Cedar Rapids, IA 

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Christopher K. Dolan

[REDACTED]
Cedar Rapids, IA [REDACTED]

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Message: Re: Judicial Appointment for the 6th Judicial District**✉ Re: Judicial Appointment for the 6th Judicial District**

From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Monday, June 18, 2018 11:40 AM
To Tanya Eveleth
Cc

Thank you!

On Mon, Jun 18, 2018 at 10:17 AM, Tanya Eveleth <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear Governor Reynolds,

I am writing on behalf of Jason Besler as you decide who will become the judge for the 6th Judicial District in Iowa. Jason is my brother. I can say unequivocally that Jason is a man who can be trusted. Jason is one of the most thoughtful, considerate and principled people I have ever known. Jason's sense of civic responsibility began very early, and he developed an incredible ability to examine multiple perspectives on important issues comprehensively and fairly. Jason has inspired me, and many others, to be more thoughtful and service oriented citizens. Over the last two decades Jason's service to the public in both his professional capacity and personal life has deepened, expanded, and become increasingly nuanced. I believe Jason is exactly the candidate you need to help enhance community safety and facilitate positive change in the 6th District. Jason would fulfill the mission of the 6th District Court with absolute commitment, intelligence, creativity and fairness.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

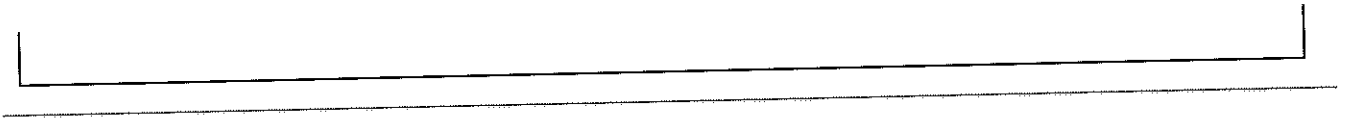
Tanya Besler Eveleth

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Message: letter of recommendation - 6th Judicial District - Ellen Ramsey-Kacena

 **letter of recommendation - 6th Judicial District - Ellen Ramsey-Kacena**

From Tricia Lipski
To meaghan.obrien@iowa.gov
Cc Patricia Lipski

Date Wednesday, June 20, 2018 2:14 PM

 **ellen ramsey kacena - gov rec ltr.pdf** (83 Kb HTML)

Dear Ms. O'Brien,

Please find attached a letter of recommendation in support of Ellen Ramsey-Kacena for the 6th judicial district's District Court opening.Â Â

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me (my contact information is at the top of my letter).

Thank you very much!!

Patricia Lipski

- [Image 1](#)
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Image 1

PATRICIA J. LIPSKI

Attorney at Law
209 S. Iowa Ave. – P.O. Box 503
Washington, IA 52353

Phone: (319) 430-5618

E-mail: [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

June 20, 2018

Gov. Kim Reynolds
c/o Meaghan O'Brien (sent via e-mail to Meaghan.obrien@iowa.gov)
Office of the Governor
1007 E. Grand Avenue
Des Moines, IA 50319

RE: 6

th Judicial District – letter of recommendation for Ellen Ramsey-Kacena

Dear Gov. Reynolds:

I am writing this letter in support of Ellen Ramsey-Kacena as a finalist for the 6

th Judicial

District Court opening. I have known Ellen for over 10 years, on both a professional and personal basis. We met when we both served on the ISBA's Young Lawyers Division Executive Council. She was the chair of the Professional Development committee at that time, and I was a district representative (District 8A). We realized that we have a number of things in common, share similar types of law practices, both have a passion for working with children and families, and we continued to keep in contact even after we both finished serving on the YLD council.

From the first time I recall meeting Ellen, I remember her warm smile, welcoming and

friendly demeanor, and the feeling that she was kind, caring, and truly interested in our conversation. I have had the opportunity to see her speak at several different continuing education seminars about various family law topics, and she was always well-spoken, knowledgeable in the area of her presentation, and exuded her warm, welcoming, and friendly demeanor to the entire audience. She was eager to share the information she was presenting, and very open to questions and comments from the audience. She maintains a professional demeanor at all times, but she is more interested in talking with people than talking at or to them, and I have witnessed this in her interactions with colleagues, clients, and court personnel. I try to speak with people in much the same way, so I truly appreciate seeing this quality and ability in other attorneys.

As I stated above, Ellen and I have had similar types of law practices over the years. It can be very draining to work primarily with clients who are dealing with life situations we have trouble imagining – substance abuse, mental health, child neglect/abuse/endangerment, poverty, horrific living conditions, and so much more. I have seen many attorneys begin their legal careers working on court-appointed criminal and juvenile cases, and then move away from those areas as they build their practice. It takes a certain mix of strength and

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compassion to keep practicing long-term in the family and juvenile law areas, and I feel fortunate to know many wonderful attorneys who have maintained that balance or mix, including Ellen. She has remained committed to her clients, her caseload, and to sharing the knowledge and experience she has gained through her practice with other colleagues.

I believe Ellen will bring those qualities of positive temperament, judgment, insight, and ability to work with a wide variety of people to the district court bench. She truly enjoys interacting with other people, she is easy to talk with, she is very knowledgeable about the law and legal system, and she is fair and honest in how she deals with others. She has the ability to look at all sides of a situation, evaluate the information she is given, and make a reasonable and accurate assessment of that situation quickly and fairly, while showing respect to all parties involved. These are the qualities I like and hope to see in every judge I appear before.

I believe Ellen Ramsey-Kacena is able and ready to serve the judiciary, and the people of the 6

th Judicial District, very well. I highly recommend her for this position. I am happy to answer any questions you may have, or to provide additional input about my recommendation. Please contact me if you need any additional information. Thank you for your time.

Yours truly,

Patricia J. Lipski

Patricia J. Lipski

Message: Re: 6th District Court Judge Vacancy--High importance!

☑ **Re: 6th District Court Judge Vacancy--High importance!**

From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Thursday, June 21, 2018 4:30 PM
To Jenifer Bowen
Cc

Received, thank you!

On Thu, Jun 21, 2018 at 4:22 PM, Jenifer Bowen <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Good afternoon, Meaghan!

It has just come to my attention that, Jason Besler, is under consideration for a District Judge vacancy.

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He is an outstanding man, who treasures life and liberty for all people.

If it's not too late, please add my name as one who whole-heartedly supports him.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need any further information from me.

Thank you very much for your time.

Jenifer

Jenifer Bowen

President

Life Right Action

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Message: 6th District Court Judge Vacancy--High importance!

✉ 6th District Court Judge Vacancy--High importance!

From Jenifer Bowen **Date** Thursday, June 21, 2018 4:46 PM
To O'Brien, Meaghan
Cc

Thank you so much for your prompt response. It is much appreciated.

From: O'Brien, Meaghan
Sent: Thursday, June 21, 2018 4:30 PM
To: Jenifer Bowen
Subject: Re: 6th District Court Judge Vacancy--High importance!

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Message: Letter of support for appointment of Jason Besler-6th Judicial District of Iowa

 **Letter of support for appointment of Jason Besler-6th Judicial District of Iowa**

From Doug Oelschlaeger **Date** Sunday, June 24, 2018 11:26 AM
To Meaghan.O'Brien@Iowa.Gov
Cc

 **Letter of Support-Jason Besler.pdf** (802 Kb HTML)  **ATT01357.htm** (1 Kb HTML)

Dear Meaghan

Please find attached my letter to the Governor in support of the appointment of Jason Besler as District Court judge.

Thanks.

Doug Oelschlaeger


Douglas R. Oelschlaeger

[REDACTED]
Cedar Rapids, IA [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

The Honorable Kim Reynolds
Governor of the State of Iowa
State Capitol
1007 East Grand Ave.
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

re: Appointment of Jason Besler-District Judge 6th Judicial District

Dear Governor Reynolds:

Please accept this letter as my whole-hearted endorsement of Jason Besler for the District Court vacancy in our District.

I have known Jason for about ten years. I have seen him once or twice a week during this time and spent a considerable amount of time with him. I feel like I am in a good position to offer my opinion on his character and his suitability for the bench.

Jason has several character qualities that would make him a successful judge. He has demonstrated to me that while he is always a hardworking and zealous advocate for the prosecution, he also has a strong sense of fair play and decent treatment for the defendant. This balance is critical for a judge.

He also has a keen interest in, and well developed understanding of, the big picture. By that I mean the political and social underpinnings of the law and the historical context of our present legal system. I have enjoyed many conversations with him on these topics. His grasp of the big picture would ensure his rulings are fair and make common sense.

His personal character is strong. I have often observed that he is a man of his word. His devotion to his family is inspiring. He is positive about life and the work he does for the State of Iowa. He would carry that onto the bench.

Finally, Jason has a strong and determined work ethic. His hardworking attitude will serve the State well.

It is without reservation that I support the appointment of Jason Besler to be our next District Court Judge.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very Truly Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Douglas R. Oelschlaeger", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Douglas R. Oelschlaeger

Message: Re: Letter of support for appointment of Jason Besler-6th Judicial District of Iowa

Re: Letter of support for appointment of Jason Besler-6th Judicial District of Iowa

From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Monday, June 25, 2018 8:03 AM
To Doug Oelschlaeger
Cc

Thank you!

On Sun, Jun 24, 2018 at 11:26 AM, Doug Oelschlaeger [REDACTED] wrote:

Dear Meaghan

Please find attached my letter to the Governor in support of the appointment of Jason Besler as District Court judge.

Thanks.

Doug Oelschlaeger

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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Message: Re: Jason Besler letter of recommendation

✉ Re: Jason Besler letter of recommendation

From O'Brien, Meaghan **Date** Monday, June 25, 2018 8:03 AM
To Yvonne Bunce
Cc

Thank you!

On Sun, Jun 24, 2018 at 8:20 PM, Yvonne Bunce <[REDACTED]> wrote:

I am enclosing a letter of recommendation addressed to the Honorable Governor Kim Reynolds on behalf of Jason Besler, a judicial nomination for the Sixth Judicial District of Iowa.

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Message: Fwd: Message from "IGOVPRN04"

✉ Fwd: Message from "IGOVPRN04"

From Smith, Colin **Date** Monday, June 25, 2018 2:22 PM
To Colin Smith
Cc

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From: <IGOVPRN04@iowa.gov>
Date: Mon, Jun 25, 2018 at 2:20 PM
Subject: Message from "IGOVPRN04"
To: colin.smith@iowa.gov

This E-mail was sent from "IGOVPRN04" (Aficio MP C2051).

Scan Date: 06.25.2018 14:20:56 (-0500)
Queries to: IGOVPRN04@iowa.gov



Kim Reynolds
GOVERNOR

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Adam Gregg
LT. GOVERNOR

Mr. Jason Besler
[REDACTED]



Dear Mr. Besler,

This letter confirms your appointment on June 21, 2018 as District Court Judge in judicial election district 6 for the State of Iowa. Congratulations on your appointment.

Enclosed are two copies of an oath of office to be executed by you in the presence of a notary public and forwarded to the Secretary of State, State Capitol, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kim Reynolds".


Kim Reynolds
Governor of Iowa

cc: The Honorable Paul Pate, Secretary of State of Iowa
The Honorable Mark S. Cady, Chief Justice
Todd Nuccio, State Court Administrator's Office

Message: Fwd: Message from "IGOVPRN04"

 **Fwd: Message from "IGOVPRN04"**

From Smith, Colin **Date** Thursday, July 05, 2018 2:36 PM
To Brenna Smith
Cc

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Date: Mon, Jun 25, 2018 at 2:22 PM
Subject: Fwd: Message from "IGOVPRN04"
To: Colin Smith <colin.smith@iowa.gov>

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Subject: Message from "IGOVPRN04"
To: colin.smith@iowa.gov

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Queries to: IGOVPRN04@iowa.gov



Kim Reynolds
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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Adam Gregg
LT. GOVERNOR

Mr. Jason Besler
[REDACTED]

cc: [handwritten initials]

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Sincerely,

[Handwritten signature of Kim Reynolds]

Kim Reynolds
Governor of Iowa

cc: The Honorable Paul Pate, Secretary of State of Iowa
The Honorable Mark S. Cady, Chief Justice
Todd Nuccio, State Court Administrator's Office

Message: Lt. Governor Gregg's Schedules for July 7-14



 **Lt. Governor Gregg's Schedules for July 7-14**

From Connell, Kirby

Date Friday, July 06,
2018 5:12 PM

To Adam Gregg - Personal; Cari Gregg - Personal; Gov; IGOV
Reynolds - All Staff; ISP EPU

Cc

 **Lt. Governor Gregg's Schedule for July 9-15.pdf** (50 Kb HTML)  **Lt. Governor Gregg's Schedule for Monday, July 9.pdf** (34 Kb HTML)

Next week's schedules are attached.Â

Have a great weekend!Â

Kirby ConnellÂ | Assistant to the Lt. Governor
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Lt. Governor Gregg

Sat Jul 7, 2018

All day EPU [REDACTED]
Sat Jul 7, 2018
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov

All day State Fair - Corndog Kickoff event
Sat Jul 7, 2018
Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

5:15pm - 6:45pm Dinner at Bubba
Calendar: Cari Gregg
Who: Adam Gregg, LG.AG@iowa.gov, Cari Gregg, Cari - Work

7:30pm - 11pm HAMILTON
Where: Des Moines Civic Center, 221 Walnut St, Des Moines, IA 50309, USA
Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: Adam Gregg, LG.AG@iowa.gov, [REDACTED]
Description: Show starts 7:30

Sun Jul 8, 2018

All day EPU: [REDACTED]
Sun Jul 8, 2018
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

All day Iowa Corn 300
Sun Jul 8, 2018
Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

Mon Jul 9, 2018

7:30am - 8:30am [REDACTED] *- personal*

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

8:30am - 9am Daily Briefing

Where: IGOV - RM - Small Conference Room
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who:

Stephanie Groen, Meaghan O'Brien, LG.AG@iowa.gov, Kirby Connell, Kayla Lyon, Nathan Hohnstein, Colin Smith, Austin Jacobs, Ali Boettcher, gov.kkr@iowa.gov, Paige Thorson, IGOV - RM - Small Conference Room, Linda Fandel, Ryan Koopmans, Catherine Huggins, Ted Stopulos, Christina Bettini, Brenna Smith, Margaret Hough
Going? Yes

9am - 9:45am Rural IA Prep Time

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

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Lt. Governor Gregg**9:45am - 10:15am LG Meeting with Ryan**

Where: Ryan's office
Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell
Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, Ryan Koopmans

10:15am - 10:30am Meeting w/ Amb. Quinn

Where: Governor's Formal Office
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, Kayla Lyon, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Description:

Staff: Kayla Lt. Gov: Yes POC: Amb. Quinn Topic: I would be very grateful if there might be an opportunity after July 4 for me to call on the Governor and Lt. Governor to thank them for their marvelous presentations at our Iowa Youth Institute in April, and present them with photos from that event on the campus of Iowa State University. It would only be a 10 minute visit.

10:30am - 11am One-on-One

Where: Governor's Personal Office
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

11am - 2pm Campaign Call Time

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

2pm - 5pm Rural IA Prep

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

3:30pm - 4:30pm HOLD: RLGA Executive Committee Call

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

6:30pm - 7:30pm [REDACTED] - personal

Where: Dojos Johnston
Calendar: cari.m.gregg@wellsfargo.com
Created by: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, Cari Gregg, Adam Gregg

Tue Jul 10, 2018

7:30am - 8:30am [REDACTED]

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

8:30am - 9:30am Office Time

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

9:30am - 10am Pre-Press Conference Briefing

Where: IGOV - RM - Small Conference Room
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: IGOV - RM - Small Conference Room, Catherine Huggins, gov.kkr@iowa.gov, Brenna Smith, David Roederer, LG.AG@iowa.gov, Paige Thorson, Ryan Koopmans, Ted Stopulos

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Lt. Governor Gregg

10:15am - 11am Travel

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov

11am - 11:30am Weekly Press Conference

Where: Madison County Courthouse, 112 N 1st St, Winterset, IA 50273, USA, IGOV - RM - Ray Conference Room
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: Christina Bettini, gov.kkr@iowa.gov, Ted Stopulos, LG.AG@iowa.gov, Margaret Hough, Brenna Smith, David Roederer, Kirby Connell, Austin Jacobs, Catherine Huggins, Linda Fandel, IGOV - RM - Ray Conference Room, Nathan Hohnstein, Kayla Lyon, Ryan Koopmans, Colin Smith, Stephanie Groen
Going? Yes

11:30am - 12:15pm Travel

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

12:15pm - 5pm Office Time/TBD

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

6:15pm - 7:15pm [REDACTED]

Where: Dream Dance Co.
Calendar: Cari Gregg
Who: Adam Gregg, Cari Gregg, LG.AG@iowa.gov, Cari - Work

6:15pm - 7:30pm Personal - [REDACTED]

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

8pm - 8:30pm PACK

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell
Who: Adam Gregg, LG.AG@iowa.gov

Wed Jul 11, 2018

7am - 7:30am BRING BAG

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell
Who: Adam Gregg, LG.AG@iowa.gov

7:30am - 8:30am [REDACTED]

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

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8:30am - 9am Daily Briefing

Where: IGOV - RM - Small Conference Room
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: Stephanie Groen, Meaghan O'Brien, LG.AG@iowa.gov, Kirby Connell, Kayla Lyon, Nathan Hohnstein, Colin Smith, Austin Jacobs, Ali Boettcher, gov.kkr@iowa.gov, Paige Thorson, IGOV - RM - Small Conference Room, Linda Fandel, Ryan Koopmans, Catherine Huggins, Ted Stopulos, Christina Bettini, Brenna Smith, Margaret Hough
Going? Yes

9am - 10am Office Time

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov

Created by: Kirby Connell

10am - 10:30am Legal Briefing

Where: IGOV - RM - Ray Conference Room

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, IGOV - RM - Ray Conference Room, Ryan Koopmans, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Description: Staff: Ryan

10:30am - 6pm Campaign Stops/Travel

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov

Created by: Kirby Connell

Description: Possible fairs?

4:30pm - 6:30pm [REDACTED] - personal

Calendar: Cari Gregg

Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, Cari Gregg, Adam Gregg, Cari - Work

6pm - 7:30pm Campaign Fundraiser

Where: [REDACTED]

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

8pm - 8:30pm Overnight

Where: [REDACTED] SA

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Thu Jul 12, 2018

7:50am - 9am Travel

Where: 1 hr 5 min - 51 miles

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

9am - 10am Kossuth Co. 99 Stop

Where: Algona, IA 50511, USA

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov

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Lt. Governor Gregg

10am - 10:45am Travel

Where: 40 min - 34 miles

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

10:45am - 11:45am Hancock Co. 99 Stop

Where: Garner, IA 50438, USA
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov

11:45am - 1pm Travel / Lunch

Where: 35 min - 33 miles
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov

1pm - 2pm Worth Co. 99 Stop

Where: Northwood, IA 50459, USA
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov

2pm - 6pm Travel

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell
Description: 3 hr 50 min drive

5:30pm - 7:30pm Campaign Event

Where: Treynor Community Center, 11 W Main, Treynor, IA 51575, USA
Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell
Description: Jon Jacobsen for Iowa House Program starts 6:15

5:55pm - 6:40pm [REDACTED] - personal

Where: [REDACTED]
Calendar: Cari Gregg
Who: Adam Gregg, Cari - Work, Cari Gregg, LG.AG@iowa.gov

7:30pm - 9:30pm Travel

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

Fri Jul 13, 2018

7:30am - 8:30am [REDACTED] - personal

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

9am - 9:45am Office Time

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

9:45am - 10am Travel

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell
Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, Kirby Connell
Description: 5 min, 1.5 mi

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Lt. Governor Gregg

10am - 11am Tax Reform Round Table w/ the Small Business Administration

Where: Saxton, 108 3rd St #100, Des Moines, IA 50312, USA

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov, Catherine Huggins

Description: Staff: Catherine

11am - 11:30am Travel

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

11:30am - 12:30pm Small Business Visit

Where: TBD

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov, Catherine Huggins

Description: Staff: Catherine Huggins

1pm - 4pm Attention to FPS Breakfast - Calls?

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov

Created by: Kirby Connell

Sat Jul 14, 2018

11am - 5:30pm Campaign events/travel

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov

Created by: Kirby Connell

Description: Likely county fair stops along the way to Henry co event

5:30pm - 7pm Campaign Event

Where: Henry County, IA, USA

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov

Created by: Kirby Connell

Description: Henry Co GOP

7pm - 9:30pm Travel

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov

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Image 1

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Mon Jul 9, 2018

7:30am - 8:30am ██████████ - *personal*
Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell

8:30am - 9am Daily Briefing

Where: IGOV - RM - Small Conference Room

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who:

Stephanie Groen, Meaghan O'Brien, LG.AG@iowa.gov, Kirby Connell, Kayla Lyon, Nathan Hohnstein, Colin Smith, Austin Jacobs, Ali Boettcher, gov.kkr@iowa.gov, Paige Thorson, IGOV - RM - Small Conference Room, Linda Fandel, Ryan Koopmans, Catherine Huggins, Ted Stopulos, Christina Bettini, Brenna Smith, Margaret Hough

Going? Yes

9am - 9:45am Rural IA Prep Time

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov

Created by: Kirby Connell

9:45am - 10:15am LG Meeting with Ryan

Where: Ryan's office

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov

Created by: Kirby Connell

Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, Ryan Koopmans

10:15am - 10:30am Meeting w/ Amb. Quinn

Where: Governor's Formal Office

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, Kayla Lyon, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Description:

Staff: Kayla Lt. Gov: Yes POC: Amb. Quinn Topic: I would be very grateful if there might be an opportunity after July 4 for me to call on the Governor and Lt. Governor to thank them for their marvelous presentations at our Iowa Youth Institute in April, and present them with photos from that event on the campus of Iowa State University. It would only be a 10 minute visit.

10:30am - 11am One-on-One

Where: Governor's Personal Office

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

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Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

11am - 2pm Campaign Call Time

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov

Created by: Kirby Connell

2pm - 5pm Rural IA Prep

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov

Created by: Kirby Connell

3:30pm - 4:30pm HOLD: RLGA Executive Committee Call

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov

Created by: Kirby Connell

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6:30pm - 7:30pm [REDACTED]

Where: [REDACTED] *- personal*

Calendar: [REDACTED]


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Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, Cari Gregg, Adam Gregg

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From Smith, Colin **Date** Monday, July 09, 2018 2:56 PM
To Austin Jacobs
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Kim Reynolds
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OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Adam Gregg
LT. GOVERNOR

Mr. Jason Besler
[REDACTED]



Dear Mr. Besler,

This letter confirms your appointment on June 21, 2018 as District Court Judge in judicial election district 6 for the State of Iowa. Congratulations on your appointment.

Enclosed are two copies of an oath of office to be executed by you in the presence of a notary public and forwarded to the Secretary of State, State Capitol, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kim Reynolds".

Kim Reynolds
Governor of Iowa

cc: The Honorable Paul Pate, Secretary of State of Iowa
The Honorable Mark S. Cady, Chief Justice
Todd Nuccio, State Court Administrator's Office

Message: Lt. Governor Gregg's Schedule for Thursday, July 12

 **Lt. Governor Gregg's Schedule for Thursday, July 12**

From Connell, Kirby

Date Wednesday, July 11,
2018 4:24 PM

To Adam Gregg - Personal; Cari Gregg - Personal; Gov; IGOV
Reynolds - All Staff; ISP EPU

Cc

 **Lt. Governor Gregg's Schedule for Thursday, July 12.pdf** (5 Kb HTML)

Tomorrow's schedule is attached.Â

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Image 1

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Thu Jul 12, 2018

All day EPU [REDACTED]

Thu Jul 12, 2018

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Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov

8am - 8:30am Campaign Time

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

8:30am - 9am Travel

Where: 25 min - 21 mi

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov

9am - 9:50am Round Table with Farmers

Where: Ed Noonan's Farm, 3486 430th St, Ayrshire, IA 50515, USA

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

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Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov

Description: Ed Noonan's Farm

9:50am - 10:45am Travel

Where: 50 min, 43 mi

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: LG.AG@iowa.gov, gov.kkr@iowa.gov

10:45am - 11:45am Algona Small Business Visits

Where: 1904 Hwy 18 E, Algona, IA

Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov

Created by: Austin Jacobs

Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov

Description:

POC: Vicki Mallory - Algona Chamber Exec Director, 515-341-7201, vmallory@algona.org Press: Yes Remarks: No Tours of three businesses in the Eastland Hill Plaza including: 1. Innovations Salon & Spa 2. RepeatBoutique - upscale consignment/furniture store 3. Cafe Boutique -boutique shop/coffee shop/cafe.

11:45am - 1pm Travel / Lunch

Where: 1 hr - 45 miles
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
Created by: Austin Jacobs
Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov

1pm - 2pm Tour Gold Eagle Cooperative & Farmer Round Table

Where: Gold-Eagle Cooperative, 415 N Locust St., Goldfield, IA 50542
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
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2pm - 3:30pm Travel

Where: 1 hr 30 min - 94 miles
Calendar: gov.kkr@iowa.gov
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Who: gov.kkr@iowa.gov, LG.AG@iowa.gov

3:30pm - 5:30pm Travel

Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell
Description: 2 hr capitol to event

5:30pm - 7:30pm Campaign Event

Where: Treynor Community Center, 11 W Main, Treynor, IA 51575, USA
Calendar: LG.AG@iowa.gov
Created by: Kirby Connell
Description: Jon Jacobsen for Iowa House Program starts 6:15

5:55pm - 6:40pm [REDACTED]

Where: [REDACTED]
Calendar: Cari Gregg
Who: Adam Gregg, Cari - Work, Cari Gregg, LG.AG@iowa.gov

7:30pm - 9:30pm Travel

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