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Dale Hardy Roberts
Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission
P.O. Box 360
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

**Missouri Public
Service Commission**

Dear Mr. Roberts:

GW-2001-398

I hereby nominate Jeremiah D. Finnegan to serve on the Natural Gas Commodity Price Task Force. Mr. Finnegan is a highly qualified attorney with over thirty-five years of experience in the field of utility regulation.

Mr. Finnegan served from 1965 to 1972 as the Assistant General Counsel, Acting General Counsel and the General Counsel to the Missouri Public Service Commission. While serving in these positions, Mr. Finnegan represented the public in over seventy rate cases, appearing before the Federal Power Commission and Interstate Commerce Commission on several occasions.

Since 1973, Mr. Finnegan has been in private practice. He has represented individuals, municipalities and corporate clients in regulatory and administrative law matters before courts, state and federal agencies, the Missouri legislature and the Missouri Public Service Commission.

I encourage you to consider Mr. Finnegan for membership on the Natural Gas Commodity Price Task Force. I believe the Task Force will benefit greatly from Mr. Finnegan's knowledge and experience.

Sincerely,

Kathryn J. Shields
Jackson County Executive

KJS/DLM



RESUME

JEREMIAH D. FINNEGAN
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February 20, 2001

ATTORNEY AT LAW with over 35 years of experience in the field of regulation of utilities and transportation companies chiefly on behalf of complainants and intervenors (political subdivisions, individuals, companies and trade associations), but also has represented small sewer and telephone utilities, public water supply districts and transportation companies.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1973 to
Present Private practice of law:

Finnegan, Conrad & Peterson, L.C.
(1994 - Present) (Managing Member)

Finnegan & Peterson
(1993-1994) (Partner)

Jeremiah D. Finnegan, Esq.
(1979-1992) (Sole Practitioner)

Vold, Sullivan, Finnegan, Gordon & Williams, P.C.
(1976-1979) (Partner)

Vold, Sullivan and Kopp, P.C.
(1975-1976) (Of Counsel)

Lem T. Jones, Jr., Esq.
(1973-1975) (Of Counsel)

General practice of law with emphasis on regulatory and administrative law matters before various state and federal agencies, the courts and the legislature on behalf of individual, municipal and corporate clients with particular emphasis on matters before the Missouri Public Service Commission.

Successfully organized and led a long term effort before Missouri Public Service Commission, Missouri Courts and the General Assembly to expand

the toll-free calling scopes of metropolitan areas in Missouri. Responsible for numerous precedent setting decisions in appeals of decisions of regulatory agencies. Instrumental in preserving steam heat service for Kansas City, Missouri.

1965 to
1972

Missouri Public Service Commission

General Counsel (1968-1972)
Acting General Counsel (1967-1968)
Assistant General Counsel (1965-1967)

Represented the public in over 70 rate cases. Directed every phase of cases for Commission staff of accountants, engineers and economists. Supervised a legal staff of 4-5 lawyers. Established a procedure for preparing and indexing written opinions of the General Counsel. Advised and counseled the Commission. Represented the Commission in numerous appeals. Appeared for the Commission before Federal Power Commission and Interstate Commerce Commission in numerous proceedings. Instrumental in retaining passenger rail service between St. Louis and Kansas City. Appeared successfully before the state legislature on legislation affecting the Commission.

1963 to
1965

Assistant Attorney General of the State of Missouri

Served under Thomas E. Eagleton and Norman H. Anderson.
Represented and advised 4 state agencies.
Handled appeals to the Supreme Court.
Prepared legal opinions.

Taught Real Property Law at the University of Missouri
School of Law (1965)

1962 to
1963

Student Assistant Teacher of Business Law, University of Missouri

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member: Missouri Bar Association (Administrative Law Committee); Bar of the Federal District Court for the Western District of Missouri; United States Court of Appeals for District of Columbia; United States Supreme Court; Member Missouri Municipal Attorneys Association

EDUCATION

- 1963 J.D. - Missouri University, Columbia, Missouri
Order of the Coif
Revising Editor - Missouri Law Review
Curators Scholarship
James Folk Scholarship
Trust Award
Mortgages Award
Dean's List
- 1960 A.B. - Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri
Political Science Major
- 1955 Chaminade College Prep - Clayton, Missouri

PERSONAL

Married for 40 years, three children, one grandchild, excellent health.