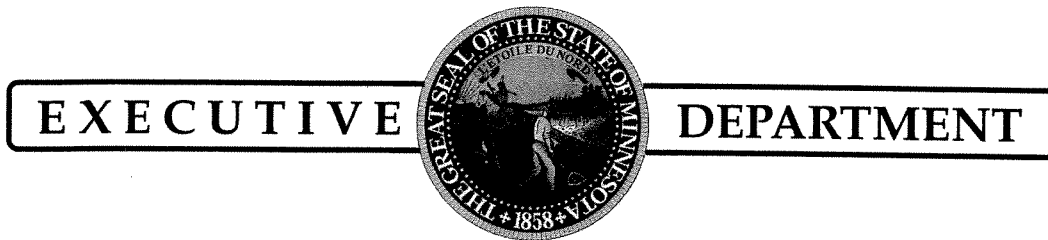


STATE of MINNESOTA



TIM PAWLENTY
GOVERNOR

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

MIRIAM P. RYKKEN

1389 Highland Parkway
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55116
County of Ramsey
Congressional District Four

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment and ability, I have appointed and commissioned you to have and to hold the said office of:

JUDGE

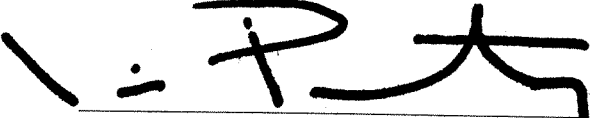

WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF APPEALS

Effective: February 7, 2005
Term Expires: January 3, 2011

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the Capitol in the City of Saint Paul, February 2, 2005.




Governor

Secretary of State

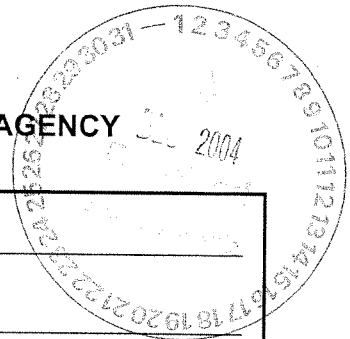
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STATE OF MINNESOTA
OPEN APPOINTMENTS APPLICATION FOR SERVICE ON STATE AGENCY
All information on this form is available to the public upon request.



Agency Name: * Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals
(Name of board, council, commission or task force to which you are applying.)

Position Sought: Judge
(Membership position sought or enter "member" if no specific requirements exist for position sought.)

Applicant Name: * Miriam P. Rykken
(First Name) (Last Name)

Applicant Address: * 1389 Highland Parkway, St. Paul, MN 55116
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Day Phone: * (651) 296-2454 **Evening Phone:** (651) 699-9255

E-MAIL: * mrykken@wcca.state.mn.us

County: Ramsey **MN House of Rep District:** 64B **U.S. House of Rep District:** 4

* Indicates information that will appear on the Office of the Secretary of State web site: www.sos.state.mn.us

Did the Appointing Authority suggest you submit your application? YES NO

Any other information the Nominating Person feels would be helpful to the Appointing Authority:
Please see attached letter and resume.

(Statement may continue on reverse or attached sheets)

I swear that, to the best of my knowledge, the above information is correct and that I satisfy all legally prescribed qualifications for the position sought.

Miriam P. Rykken December 1, 2004
(Signature of Applicant)* (Date)

* If another person or group is nominating the applicant, the applicant's signature indicates consent to nomination.

OPTIONAL STATISTICAL INFORMATION

The following information is optional and voluntary. Information is collected for, and compiled in, the annual report on the open appointments process pursuant to *Minnesota Statutes* §15.0597.

Sex: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/> Male	Political Party: <input type="checkbox"/> Democratic-Farmer-Labor <input type="checkbox"/> Green <input type="checkbox"/> Independence <input type="checkbox"/> Republican <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No party preference	Race*: <input type="checkbox"/> African American / Black <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian / Alaska Native <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> White <input type="checkbox"/> Other Race _____
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National Origin: United States
(Country of Origin or Principle Tribe)

(* Select as many as apply)

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MAIL, FAX, OR SUBMIT APPLICATION IN PERSON, TO: Office of the Secretary of State, Open Appointments
 180 State Office Building
 100 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Blvd
 St. Paul, MN 55155-1299

FAX: (651) 296-9073
Phone: (651) 297-5845
Email: open.appointments@state.mn.us

Applicants will not receive an acknowledgement of submitted applications; the appointing authority will notify you if an interview is desired. *By request, this application will be made available in alternative format (for example, braille, large print, audio tape, or computer disk.)*

FOR OFFICE USE: Sub by AA: _____ AA: Governor Trans Date: 12-15-04

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(651) 296-2454 (W)
(651) 699-9225 (H)

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

- **WORKERS' COMPENSATION COURT OF APPEALS,
STATE OF MINNESOTA.**
June 1999 to present. Judge.
- **AAFEDT, FORDE, GRAY, MONSON & HAGER, P.A.**
1987 to June 1999. Trial Attorney.
Primary area of specialization: Workers' compensation.
Related areas of concentration: Employment issues and insurance coverage related to workers' compensation; toxic tort litigation. Served as advisor to employers and insurance companies concerning both ongoing employment issues and litigation. Provided analysis of workers' compensation insurance claim exposure and expenses, risk analysis and risk management.
- **LEGAL CLERKSHIPS**
HONEYWELL CORPORATION.
1987. Law Clerk. Research, writing, investigation and client contact in Human Resource Legal Department, working in employment and labor law, immigration issues, EEOC compliance, employee benefits and litigation.
CPT CORPORATION.
1986-1987. Law Clerk to General Counsel and Corporate Secretary. Managed corporate litigation, serving as corporate liaison to retained counsel. Worked in various corporate areas, including employment and immigration law, contract and distributorship litigation, drafting of proxy and related statements, international law, and real estate leasing.
TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANY.
1985. Law Clerk. Research, writing, and investigation in areas of insurance coverage, workers' compensation, personal injury and property damage.

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

- **AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE, University of Minnesota.**
1978-1985. Administrative Fellow. Organized regional and national agricultural policy seminars, which included seminar coordination and management, budget planning and staff supervision. Worked in public relations capacity, serving as a university-corporate liaison.

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- **WEST FARGO PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #6.** West Fargo, North Dakota.
April 1976 - June 1978. Senior High School Instructor.

EDUCATION

- **UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA,** Minneapolis, Minnesota.
J.D., 1987.
Honors: Philip E. Jessup International Moot Court;
Law and Inequality Journal.
- CONCORDIA COLLEGE,** Moorhead, Minnesota.
B.A., magna cum laude, 1976; French, Home Economics, and
Education.

MEMBERSHIPS AND APPOINTMENTS

Professional

Board of Directors, Hennepin County Bar Foundation (2000-present).
Continuing Legal Education Instructor, Workers' Compensation.
Board of Directors, National Association of Woman Judges (2003-present).
Co-Chair, Community Action Committee, Minnesota Women Lawyers (2001-present).
Board of Governors, Minnesota Bar Association (1994-1997).
Governing Council, Hennepin County Bar Association (1994-1999).
Board of Directors, Minnesota Women Lawyers (1996-2001).

Community

Current:

Volunteer Reader in "Everybody Wins" elementary school reading program.
Mentor to law students through local law schools' mentorship programs.
Ward 3 Representative, City of St. Paul Youth Programs Fund Board.
Judge, YMCA Youth in Government, MSBA High School Mock Trial Competition and
local college and law school moot court programs.

Former:

Community Representative, City of St. Paul Business Review Council.
Attorney Coach, MSBA High School Mock Trial Competition.
Board of Outreach and Neighborhood Ministries, Central Lutheran Church, Minneapolis.

SPECIAL LICENSURE

Admitted to practice in the State of Minnesota; U.S. District Court of Appeals, 8th Circuit;
and District Court, Federal District of Minnesota.

Previously included on roster of Minnesota Supreme Court, pursuant to Rule 114 of the
Minnesota General Rules of Practice, as a qualified neutral/mediator.

References Available Upon Request