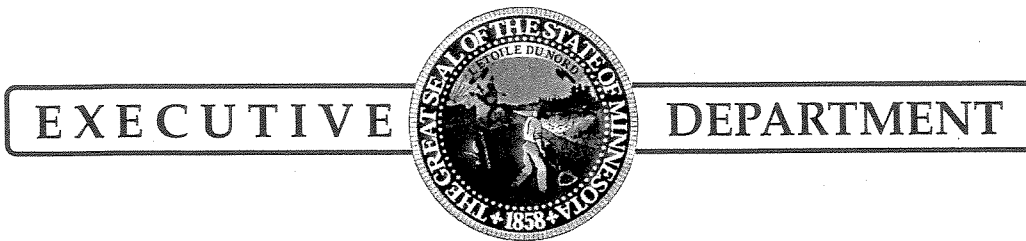


STATE of MINNESOTA



TIM PAWLENTY
GOVERNOR

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

JOSEPH B. JOHNSON III

3650 East Fourth Street
Duluth, Minnesota 55804
County of Saint Louis
Congressional District Eight

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:

MEMBER

HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY

Effective: January 12, 2009
Term Expires: January 7, 2013

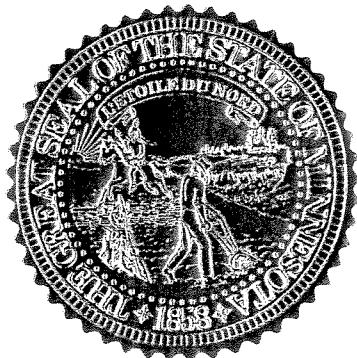
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President of the Senate

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it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.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, January 7, 2009.



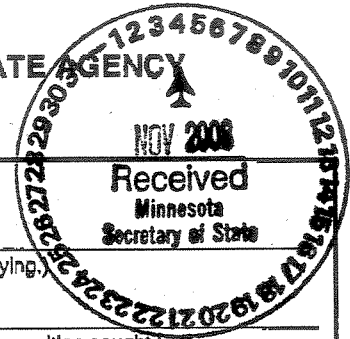

Governor


Secretary of State

Replacing: Reappointment

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: * Minnesota Housing Finance Agency
(Name of board, council, commission or task force to which you are applying.)

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

Applicant Name: * Joe Johnson
(First Name) (Last Name)

Preferred Mailing Address: * 125 West Superior Street Duluth MN 55816-0450
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Work Phone: * (218) 733-5541 Home Phone: () -

E-MAIL: * jjohnson@banknorthshore.com

County: St. Louis MN House of Rep District: 7B U.S. House of Rep District: 8

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

Have you ever been convicted of a felony: Yes No

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

Please attach a current resume or a biographical statement containing work history, education, community activities, etc., and any other information the Applicant or Nominating Person feels would be helpful to the Appointing Authority.

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: Female
 Male

Political Party: Democratic-Farmer-Labor
 Independence
 Republican
 Other _____
 No party preference

Race*: African American / Black
 American Indian / Alaska Native
 Asian
 Hispanic
 Native Hawaiian / Pacific Islander
 White
 Other Race _____

National Origin: _____
(Country of Origin or Principle Tribe)

(* Select as many as apply)

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.

[Signature]
(Signature of Applicant)*

November 4, 2008
(Date)

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

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

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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.)

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Joseph B. Johnson III
3650 E. 4th Street
Duluth, MN 55804

President of the Senate

EMPLOYMENT

1994-Present

Senior Vice President, North Shore Bank of Commerce, Duluth, MN

Employed as Senior Vice President of North Shore Bank of Commerce and Manager of North Shore Mortgage, a division of the bank. Worked with the President and CEO of the bank to open the mortgage division in 1994. Responsible for all mortgage loan origination, underwriting, closing, shipping and servicing functions. Also responsible for regulatory compliance, quality control, pricing, advertising/marketing, Investor relations and community relations. Other duties include - Serve on the bank's senior management committee and act as secretary to the board of directors.

North Shore Mortgage is an approved FHA and VA lender and an approved FNMA Seller/Servicer (currently inactive).

1976-1994

Chief Lending Officer, St. Louis Bank for Savings, FSB, Duluth, MN

Managed the Bank's Mortgage Loan Department that financed one to four family residential properties. Was responsible for administration of the loan origination, underwriting, closing and marketing functions. Supervised the managers of the Loan Servicing, Delinquent Loan, Real Estate Owned, Quality Control and Consumer Loan Departments. Served on the Bank's Senior Management, Asset Liability, Single Family Loan, Delinquent Loan and Marketing Committees.

Experience in secondary market transactions included the sale of loans to the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation and the Federal National Mortgage Association. As a correspondent lender, sold secondary market quality FHA, VA and Conventional loans on a regular basis to private investors. Acted in the capacity of a direct seller of secondary market quality loans to the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. Purchased for portfolio purposes adjustable loan product from various private originators. Involved in the process of securitizing over \$50 million in seasoned portfolio loans for eventual sale.

Background in the mortgage finance industry includes attendance at numerous schools, seminars and workshops related to all phases of mortgage lending.

Approved as a FHA Direct Endorsement Underwriter, VA Automatic lender and successfully completed the Mortgage Bankers Association course for underwriting Conventional residential loans. Have taught courses in finance for the Graduate Real Estate Institute. Acted in an advisory capacity for various community oriented groups including the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, Duluth City Housing Bond Program, Duluth Housing Trust Fund, Neighborhood Housing Service, Duluth Housing and Rehabilitation Authority, Spirit Valley Citizens Neighborhood Development Association and the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC). Currently serve on the Board of Directors of the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency and as Chairman of the Local Advisory for Duluth LISC. Received the National Association of Home Builders Housing America Award for excellence in community based lending.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, Board of Directors member
Duluth Local Initiative Support Corporation, Chairperson
Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd Endowment Fund, Board President
Forest Hill Cemetery, former Chair and current Board of Trustees member
Duluth Area Association of Realtors Member Services Committee, former Chair
Duluth Area Association of Realtors Foundation, Board of Directors member
Northland Country Club, Long Range Planning/Finance Chair

EDUCATION

1965-1969 & 1972-1974

Bachelor of Arts, Business Administration with a minor in Political Science from the University of Minnesota. Completed various graduate courses in business, accounting and economics. Schooling was interrupted by military service.

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