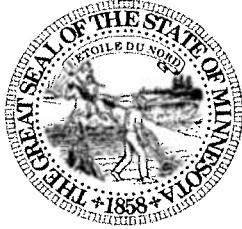


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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Bradford S. Delapena

245 Minnesota Judicial Center
25 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd.
St. Paul, MN 55155
County of Ramsey
Congressional District 4

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 office of:

JUDGE
MINNESOTA TAX COURT

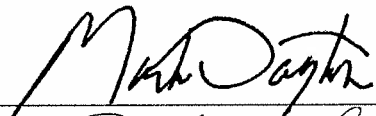
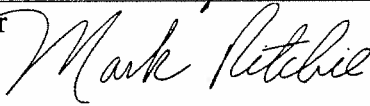
Effective: December 19, 2012

Term Expires: January 5, 2015

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it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.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, December 13, 2012.




Governor

Secretary of State

Replacing: The Honorable Sheryl A. Ramstad

**STATE OF MINNESOTA
OPEN APPOINTMENTS APPLICATION FOR SERVICE ON
STATE AGENCIES, BOARDS, COUNCILS, COMMISSIONS or TASK FORCES**

All information on this form is available to the public upon request.

Part I - Tell us about the Position to which you are applying
Required Information (MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 5.)

Agency Name: Minnesota Tax Court Position Sought: Judge
(Name of board, council, commission or task force.) (Membership position sought or enter "member".)

By request, this application will be made available in alternative format (for example, braille, large print, audio tape, or computer disk.)

Part II - Tell us about Yourself
Required Information (MN Stat § 15.0597 Subd. 5.)

Applicant Name: Bradford S. Delapena Preferred Phone: (612) 201-2359
(First Name) (Last Name)
E-MAIL: brad.delapena@comcast.net
Preferred Mailing Address: P.O. Box 40418 County: Ramsey
(Preferred Mailing Address)
St. Paul MN 55104 MN House of Rep Dist: 64A US House of Rep Dist: 4
(City) (State) (Zip) Find your districts by using the Poll Finder at: http://pollfinder.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 cover letter, current resume, or other information that you feel would be helpful to the Appointing Authority.

Part III: OPTIONAL STATISTICAL INFORMATION

The following information is optional and voluntary (MN Stat §15.0597 Subd. 5).
Information is collected for, and compiled in, the annual report on the open appointments process pursuant to MN Stat §15.0597 Subd. 7.

Sex: Female Male Age: 48 Disability: Yes No Political Party: Democratic-Farmer-Labor
 Independence
 Republican
 No Party Preference
 Other _____ Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? Yes No (Spanish many generations ago.)

Race: African American or Black
 American Indian or Alaska Native
 Asian or Pacific Islander White or Caucasian
 Other Race _____

Part IV: Signature and Submittal Instructions

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

Bradford S. Delapena
(Signature of Applicant)

10/1/12
(Date)

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

Phone: (651) 297-5845
Email: open.appointments@state.mn.us
Online application: <http://www.sos.state.mn.us/index.aspx?page=5>

Applicants will not receive an acknowledgement of submitted applications; the appointing authority will notify you if an interview is desired.

FOR OFFICE USE:
Sub by AA: _____
AA: _____
Trans Date: _____

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Brad Delapena
Attorney at Law

October 1, 2012

Attention Tiffany Orth
130 State Capitol
75 Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd
St. Paul, MN 55155

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Re: Judge Ramstad's Tax Court Seat

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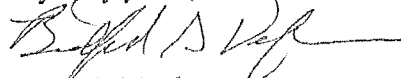
Dear Ms. Orth:

Enclosed please find a completed Open Appointments Application and a recent resume. As you know, I have previously applied for appointment to both the Minnesota Tax Court and the Minnesota Court of Appeals. When evaluating this application, please be so kind as to consider the materials submitted with my previous applications.

With the appointment of Judge Sanberg to the Bankruptcy Court and the sudden resignation of Judge Ramstad, Governor Dayton has an exciting opportunity to reshape the Tax Court. Over the years, I have represented both the Commissioner of Revenue and individual taxpayers. I understand how important it is for all litigants to perceive the Court as a genuinely impartial tribunal composed of judges familiar with sometimes complex state and federal tax laws. If appointed, I will work hard to ensure the proper and consistent application of these laws so that, win or lose, all litigants will conclude they have been fully heard and fairly treated.

Please contact me if there is anything else you require.

Very truly yours,


Bradford S. Delapena

Enclosures

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WORK HISTORY

5/07 – present

Solo Practitioner, Bradford Delapena, Ltd.

- Represent individuals, businesses, and the Minnesota Board of Public Defense in civil controversies and appeals. Secured victories in several significant matters decided by the Minnesota Supreme Court. Citations available.
- Represent criminal defendants appealing convictions and responding to State appeals of pro-defense pretrial rulings by district courts.
- Represent individuals and businesses before the Minnesota Department of Revenue and the Minnesota Tax Court.
- Experienced writer advancing clearly framed issues, meticulously researched and argued. Has handled approximately 170 appeals.
- Over 80 oral arguments in Minnesota Supreme Court and Court of Appeals; scores more in district courts and Tax Court.

1/00 – 4/07

Assistant Attorney General, Minnesota Attorney General's Office, Tax Litigation Division

- Division Manager, November 2004 to April 2007.
- Represent Commissioner of Revenue in taxpayer-initiated suits challenging assessments, denials of refund, collection actions, etc.
- Advise Commissioner on risks of pending litigation, and on potential for contemplated agency actions to precipitate future litigation. Provide counsel reconciling Commissioner's litigation activities and long-term objectives.
- Secured victories and/or important holdings in several significant matters decided by Minnesota Tax Court, Minnesota Court of Appeals, and Minnesota Supreme Court. Citations available.

4/92 – 12/99

Assistant State Public Defender, Minnesota State Public Defender

- Represent indigent criminal defendants on direct appeal. Effected several major changes in Minnesota criminal law. Citations available.

1998 – 2012

Adjunct Professor of Law, University of Minnesota Law School

- State Constitutionalism and Criminal Procedure, Fall 1998
- Introduction to American Law, Summer 2010-12

WORK HISTORY

- 1994 – 2007 **Adjunct Professor of Law**, William Mitchell College of Law
- Advanced Criminal Procedure, 1994-1998
 - Criminal Constitutional Law, 1995-1996
 - Substantive Criminal Law, 1996, 1999, 2007
- 1990 **Summer Associate**, Popham, Haik, Schnobrich & Kaufman, Ltd.

EDUCATION

- J.D., cum laude*, 1991, University of Wisconsin Law School
B.A., Philosophy & Economics, 1986, University of Pittsburgh

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PUBLICATIONS

- Individual Liberties Claims: Promoting a Healthy Constitution for Minnesota*,
19 Wm. Mitchell L. Rev. 683 (1993)

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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Minnesota Supreme Court Criminal Rules Advisory Committee
Appointed December 2007; Reappointed December 2010
- Minnesota Supreme Court Civil Appellate Rules Advisory Committee
Appointed July 2008
- Member, Amdahl Inn of Court, Minnesota State Bar Association (Criminal Law
and Tax Sections), Ramsey County Bar Association
- Presenter at various Continuing Legal Education programs.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

- Board Member & Officer*, 2000-Present, Twin Cities Aikido Center
- Volunteer Judge. Regularly serves as judge for various law school moot courts
and high school mock trial programs.
- Volunteer Education Consultant*, 1999, Open Society Institute, New York.
Assisted with selection of scholars for Mongolian Professional Development
Fellowship. Conducted interviews in Mongolia of scholar-applicants from six
different disciplines.
- Volunteer Attorney*, 1992-96, Minnesota Lawyers Committee. Represented
indigent foreign nationals seeking political asylum in the U.S.