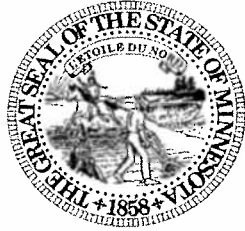


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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

**Kate Knuth**

2347-14<sup>th</sup> Terrace NW  
New Brighton, MN 55112  
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:

**PUBLIC MEMBER**

**MINNESOTA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY BOARD**



Effective: January 14, 2013

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it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.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, January 8, 2013.



  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Governor  
  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Secretary of State

Replacing: Jonathon Bloomberg

**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: \* Environmental Quality Board  
(Name of board, council, commission or task force to which you are applying.)

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

Applicant Name: \* Katherine (Kate) Knuth  
(First Name) (Last Name)

Applicant Address: \* 2347 14<sup>th</sup> Terrace NW New Brighton MN 55112  
(Street) (City) (State) (Zip)

Work Phone: \* (612) 624-8359 Home Phone: (651) 308-9921

E-MAIL: \* Kate.knuth@gmail.com

County: Ramsey MN House of Rep District: 41a 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](http://www.sos.state.mn.us)

Have you ever been convicted of a felony: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No X

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

**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: X Female \_\_\_\_\_ Male  
 Political Party: X Democratic-Farmer-Labor  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Green  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Independence  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Republican  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ No party preference

Disability: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes  
 \_\_\_\_\_ No

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

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

(\* 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] 10/17/12  
(Signature of Applicant)\* (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 TO 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](mailto: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.)*

**FOR OFFICE USE:** Sub by AA: \_\_\_\_\_ AA: \_\_\_\_\_ Trans Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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(651) 308-9921; kate.knuth@gmail.com

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**Relevant Experience**

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**Institute on the Environment, University of Minnesota, Saint Paul, MN; Sep. 2010 – Present**

***Boreas Environmental Leadership Program Director and Undergraduate Instructor***

- Lead and coordinate the Boreas Environmental Leadership Program, a program offering leadership skills training for graduate and professional students and post-doctoral fellows at the University of Minnesota interested in working on environmental solutions
- Co-developed and taught *Carbon and Renewable Energy Policy* undergraduate course and study abroad course bringing students to UN Climate Conference in Cancun

**Minnesota House of Representatives, Representing District 50B; Jan. 2007 – Present**

***State Representative***

- Assistant Majority Leader, 2009-2010 biennium
- Member of committees with jurisdiction over environment, energy, commerce and tax issues
- Member of the Legislative Energy Commission
- Chief author of Green Solutions Act and Toxic Free Kids Act
- Member of the National Coalition of Legislators for Energy Action Now, a group of state legislators who worked to help pass national clean energy and climate policy
- Member of and presenter at the National Caucus of Environmental Legislators

**Will Steger Foundation, Minneapolis, MN; Dec. 2009**

***Policy Mentor for UN Climate Conference (COP15) Youth Delegation***

- Mentored twelve youth delegates to UN climate talks in Copenhagen, Denmark
- Presented at several side events, including panel organized by US State Department

**Center for Global Environmental Education, Hamline University, St. Paul, MN; Dec. 2005 – Feb. 2008**

***Environmental Entrepreneur Fellow***

- Developed and taught two continuing education graduate classes on environment and advocacy issues
- Led development and implementation of the Project Green Fleet air pollution education program in partnership with Environmental Initiative
- Developed and managed the Kids Area at the State Fair Eco Experience
- Coordinated the Metro Watershed Partners program

**Boy Scouts of America, May 2000-May 2001**

***National Youth Venturing President***

- Represented 250,000 youth members of the Venturing Program, the Boy Scouts of America's coed youth program at national BSA meetings and events

## Education

**Ph.D. Student in Conservation Biology;** University of Minnesota, MN, Sep. 2009-present  
- Dissertation research on food production and pollination ecosystem services

**Humphrey Policy Fellows Program;** University of Minnesota, MN, 2012-2013 academic year

**M.Sc. in Biodiversity Conservation and Management,** with Distinction; Oxford Univ., UK  
- Thesis title: "Linking Environmental Leadership and Education: The Scouting Movement and the United States Congress"

**Fulbright Fellow at Center for Development and Environment;** University of Oslo, Norway  
- Conducted research on the relationship between Norwegian environmental culture and the development of the Norwegian oil industry

**B.A. in Biology and Philosophy,** with general honors; University Of Chicago, IL

## Awards, Honors, and Leadership Development

**Willard Munger Award for Environmental Stewardship,** Minnesota State DFL Party's top environmental award, 2012

**Young Climate Leaders Network,** Member of an international group of 27 young people selected to work on leadership and strategy to find climate solutions, 2012-2013

**Emerging Political Leaders Program,** State Legislative Leaders Foundation, July 2010

**American Council of Young Political Leaders,** Delegate to Indonesia, Aug. 2009

**Woman Rising Award,** DFL Feminist Caucus and Democratic Women's Leadership Coalition Awards Program, 2007

**National, Regional, and Council Venturing Leadership Awards,** Boy Scouts of America, 2001

## Service

**Chairman's Cabinet Member,** Northern Star Council, Boy Scouts of America, St. Paul, MN; 2000-2004, 2007-present

**Commissioner,** New Brighton Parks, Recreation, and Environment Commission, 2005-2006

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