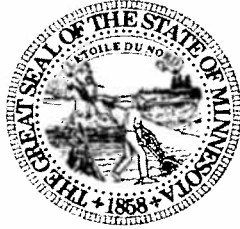


# STATE of MINNESOTA



**MARK DAYTON**  
**GOVERNOR**

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## NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

### **Kenneth B. Peterson**

292 Ryan Ave  
Saint Paul, Minnesota 55102  
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:

### **COMMISSIONER OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY**

Effective: January 3, 2011  
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it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.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 3, 2011.



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**Summary.** Skilled public executive, experienced negotiator and respected advocate. Understands government. Thirty years of high level leadership in Minnesota public affairs.

### Experience

**Attorney/Private Practice.** For last two years have had own law practice representing small businesses, non-profits, corporations and associations before administrative agencies and in Minnesota legislature. From 2007-2008 was Minnesota director of national government relations firm headquartered in Washington, D.C.

**Deputy Attorney General for Government Operations, Minnesota Attorney General's Office.** Directed lawyers and staff working in labor and industry, public utilities, transportation, human services, finance and public safety. Coordinated legislative activities for Office. Directed state's legal relations with Indian tribes. 1999-2007.

**O'Neill, Grills and O'Neill.** Legal practice included work in government relations, energy, and administrative law (Of counsel). 1994-98.

**Metropolitan State University.** Associate professor and management department chair. Coordinated public administration program and taught graduate and undergraduate courses in public finance, policy analysis and management. 1994-98.

**Director, St. Paul Department of Planning and Economic Development.** Headed city's economic development, housing and planning activities. 1992-93.

**Deputy Mayor and Mayor's Chief of Staff, City of Saint Paul.** Managed day to day operations of state's second largest city. 1991-92.

**Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry.** Directed state agency charged with supervising workers compensation system, fair labor practices and apprenticeships, and policing occupational safety and health. 1988-1990.

**Deputy Commissioner, Minnesota Department of Labor and Industry.** Managed day to day operations of agency. Also, directed budget and legislative activities. 1986-88.

**Deputy Commissioner, Minnesota Public Service Department.** Agency enforced PUC orders and served as advocate for all consumers before PUC in matters involving telecommunications, electricity and natural gas. Supervised regulatory staff and directed legislative activities. 1983-86.

**Executive Director** Minnesota Public Interest Research Group (MPIRG). Directed 25 person staff of lawyers, researchers, organizers and writers of student-funded advocacy organization working in energy and environmental areas. 1977-81

**Staff Attorney, Leech Lake Reservation Legal Services**

Provided civil and criminal defense representation. Cass Lake MN 1974-76.

Admitted to practice in Minnesota state courts, federal district court for Minnesota, federal Eighth Circuit Court of Appeals and United States Supreme Court.

**Education**

BA, Political Science, Hamline University, St. Paul, MN

JD, George Washington University Law School, Washington, DC

MPA, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA (attended Harvard on a Bush Foundation Fellowship).

Paid for law school by teaching junior high and as a Washington reporter for business publications.

**Community involvement.** Includes service as President West Seventh Street Federation; Member, Ramsey County Charter Commission; Board chair, Anishinabe Legal Services; led United Way Government section; Boy Scout leader; and church activities.