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RE: Appointment of County Attorney

Dear Honorable Board of Supervisors:

I hereby submit my application to be appointed to the position of Lee County Attorney upon the retirement of Michael P. Short. I have had the pleasure to serve as Mr. Short's First Assistant since September of 2011, and I have worked in the County Attorney's Office in Lee County for a total of 8½ years now, having been originally hired as an Assistant County Attorney on July 1, 2008. During that time, I have had the opportunity to handle most of the duties of the County Attorney in Mr. Short's absence. I have also been primarily responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Fort Madison office, including the prosecution of the majority of the misdemeanor and felony cases in North Lee County. I have extensive trial experience, having both prosecuted and defended a total of more than twenty-five jury trials. In addition, I have been the representative of the County Attorney's Office in the Eighth Judicial District Drug Court Program since its inception in 2010. Finally, I have been primarily responsible for handling all juvenile delinquency cases and all Child In Need of Assistance cases in both Keokuk and Fort Madison.

The experiences outlined above have taught me that, to be a successful prosecutor, one must learn to work closely with those in the various agencies with whom I regularly work, including the Lee County Sheriff's Office, Fort Madison Police Department, Keokuk Police Department, Iowa Department

of Human Services, Juvenile Court Services, Eighth Judicial Department of Correctional Services, Iowa Department of Natural Resources, and Lee County Conservation Office. In addition, I know that success in the courtroom is largely dependent upon good police work. As such, I have volunteered to teach criminal law classes to reserve officers as a certified instructor for the Iowa Law Enforcement Academy, and I am proud to teach criminal and constitutional law to undergraduate criminal justice students at Southeastern Community College in Keokuk.

My boss, Mike Short, has served the citizens of Lee County, with distinction, for almost 40 years. My goal as county attorney will be to continue Mr. Short's practice of providing the county with the best possible legal representation and sound judgment. Although I am sure that there will be some minor changes to our office in areas where we can improve, I hope to usher in a smooth transition by continuing many of Mr. Short's policies and procedures. With respect to criminal prosecution, I agree with Mr. Short that a prosecutor's primary responsibility is "to do justice" in the criminal law arena. This means that a prosecutor must not only zealously represent the people and to protect the rights of the victims of crimes, but a prosecutor must also do all that he or she can to ensure that the accused receive fair trials.

Again, thank you for your thoughtful consideration of my application. I would be happy to appear before the Board to answer any and all questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Clinton R. Boddicker". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish at the end.

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EDUCATION

University of Iowa College of Law August 1993 – May 1996
Iowa City, Iowa 52242
J.D. – May 1993
Graduated “With High Distinction”
Graduated top 15% of graduating class
Received “Robert S. Hunt Legal History Award”

University of Northern Iowa August 1989 – May 1993
Cedar Falls, Iowa 50614
B.A. – May 1993
Double Major – Political Science/History
Graduated “With Highest Honors”
Graduated top 1% of graduating class
Received “Purple and Old Gold Award”
for Meritorious Scholarship in Political Science
Presidential Scholar
Dean’s List 8 consecutive semesters

Kirkwood Community College June 1989 – July 1989
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52404

WORK EXPERIENCE

Lee County Attorney’s Office July 1, 2008 – Present
Assistant Lee County Attorney
Keokuk, Iowa 52632
Fort Madison, Iowa 52627

Boddicker Mediation Services February 11, 2011 – Present
Certified Family Law Mediator

Certified Reserve Police Officer Instructor 2014 – Present
Iowa Law Enforcement Academy

Adjunct Faculty, Criminal Justice Fall 2014 – Present
Southeastern Community College

Smith, Kultala & Boddicker, LLP
Partner
Keokuk, Iowa 52632

June 1, 2006 – December 31, 2011

Boddicker Law Office
Sole Practitioner
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52402

November 1, 2005 – May 31, 2006

Smith, Kultala & Boddicker, LLP
Partner
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July 1, 1996 – October 31, 2005

**PROFESSIONAL LICENSES
AND ASSOCIATIONS**

Iowa Supreme Court – Date of Admission June 21, 1996

United States Supreme Court – Date of Admission December 16, 2002

Missouri Supreme Court – Date of Admission June 7, 2005

Certified Family Law Mediator Training February 11, 2011

Past Member, Iowa State Bar Association

Member, The Missouri Bar

Member, American Bar Association

Member, South Lee County Bar Association

CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

Current President, South Lee County Bar Association

Current Chairman, Keokuk Board of Adjustment

Current Member, Keokuk Public Library Board of Trustees

Representative, Keokuk Public Library Board of Trustees to Keokuk Community Cultural Partnership

Member, Trinity United Methodist Church of Keokuk

Delegate, Iowa Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church

Past Member, Rotary Club of Keokuk

Judge, American Mock Trial Association

Inductee, American Mock Trial Association's Judges Hall of Fame

Past Committee Member, Keokuk Boy Scouts of America Troop 43

Troop Committee Chairman, Alburnett Boy Scouts of America Troop 504

Past Chairman, Trinity United Methodist Church Administrative Council

Past Chairman, Keokuk Historic Preservation Commission

Past Member, Keokuk City Planning Commission

Member, Trinity United Methodist Church Board of Trustees

Member, Trinity United Methodist Church Committee on Staff/Parish Relations

Past Member, Community Health Centers of Southeast Iowa Board of Directors

Coach, Keokuk High School Mock Trial Team

Past Member, Alburnett United Methodist Church

Past Member, Alburnett United Methodist Church Administrative Council

Past Member, Alburnett United Methodist Church Committee on Missions & Outreach

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