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BUREAU OF MEDIATION SERVICES



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Commissioner Johnson is a long-term employee of the State of Minnesota in the Bureau of Mediation Services. She joined the Bureau in 1976 as a Hearing Reporter in the Representation Section. Since that time, she has served as a Representation Specialist, Hearing Officer, Mediator, Facilitator, and Labor Mediation Manager until her appointment as the first female Commissioner of the Bureau. Janet believes in preserving the neutrality of the Bureau in labor relation matters, strengthening the relationships between the Bureau and the representatives of labor and management, and ensuring that the Bureau's services are available and provided to all geographic areas of Minnesota. University of Nebraska (B.A.)

Law provides: The mission of the bureau is to promote stable and constructive labor-management relations and the use of alternative dispute resolution and collaborative process in areas other than labor-management. There are three program areas: mediation, representation, and labor-management cooperation. These programs assist parties in resolving collective bargaining, and public policy disputes; resolve questions of labor union representation and bargaining unit structure; support, train, and facilitate area and worksite joint labor-management committees; provide related technical training and information; and develop and maintain a roster of labor arbitrators. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 179, 179A)

DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION



Commissioner: Alice Roberts-Davis

Salary: \$144,991

Appointed: 2019

Commissioner Roberts-Davis previously served as the Assistant Commissioner at the Minnesota Department of Administration, responsible for the state's real estate and construction functions, as well as its \$2.5 billion in annual procurement, including the Office of Equity in Procurement and the Procurement Technical Assistance Center. Prior to joining the state, Alice worked for Target Corporation for 12 years in different leadership capacities. University of Illinois (B.A., Communications/Journalism); Florida State

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Law provides: The department manages and administers centralized operations of state agencies, including procurement of goods and services, travel and fleet services, building construction and maintenance, real estate leasing and management, and facilities and maintenance services. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 16B, 16C)

Function: The Department of Administration (Admin) provides a broad range of business management, administrative and professional services and resources to state agencies, local governments and the public. The department on an annual basis purchases more than \$2.1 billion in goods and services, manages more than 400 construction projects and 700 property leases, maintains 22 state-owned buildings, including the State Capitol, leases vehicles, sells surplus property and coordinates the state's Enterprise Lean business process improvement program.

Facilities Management Division maintains 22 state buildings with more than four million square feet of space, 32 parking facilities and 25 monuments and memorials and associated grounds, primarily in the State Capitol area; promotes energy conservation opportunities at its 54 facilities; issues permits for special events at the State Capitol and grounds; processes state agency mail and operates Minnesota's Bookstore.

Real Estate and Construction Services is responsible for the inventory, allocation, planning, and leasing of office and storage space in non-state-owned buildings and in state-owned buildings under the custodial control of the Department of Administration. The division acquires and disposes of real property and is the central resource for Minnesota's predesign program, including design, construction, and remodeling needs for most state agencies, administers the statewide facilities management program, and coordinates the state's sustainable building design guidelines program.

Information Policy Analysis Division (IPAD) promotes understanding of and compliance with laws regulating government information. IPAD helps define and interpret decisions about the classification of information as public or not public and answers questions about government data and open meeting laws.

Office of State Procurement is responsible for purchasing more than \$2.1 billion in goods and services for state agencies, including professional and technical services, and operates the nation's two largest multi-state contracting cooperatives.

Office of the State Archaeologist sponsors, conducts, and directs research into the prehistoric and historic archaeology of Minnesota; protects and preserves archaeological sites and objects; and enforces provisions of *Minnesota Statutes*, 138.31-138.42 and 307.08.

Risk Management Division is responsible for the development and operation of the state's risk and insurance management program and manages the state employee workers' compensation program. The division's property and casualty unit seeks to minimize the adverse impacts of risks and losses for state agencies; absorb risk while maintaining a stable financial profile; and ensure the long-term financial security of the state and its agencies. The workers' compensation unit also seeks to reduce work-related injuries through safety and loss control programs.

Fleet and Surplus Services supplies vehicles to state agencies and political subdivisions for official business, provides support services such as fuel, maintenance and insurance, and assists in the acquisition and disposal of surplus government property (other than real estate).

State Demographic Center estimates, forecasts and investigates changes in the state's population, analyzes census data, and distributes information, and is Minnesota's liaison with the U.S. Census Bureau.

Minnesota Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities seeks to ensure that people with developmental disabilities receive the necessary support to achieve increased independence, productivity, integration, and inclusion into the community.

A System of Technology to Achieve Results (STAR) seeks to help all Minnesotans gain access to and acquire assistive technology that increases, maintains or improves the functional capabilities of a person with a disability.

Office of Grants Management provides policy leadership and direction to foster consistent, streamlined interaction between executive agencies, funders, and grantees, and coordinates the availability of grants information to the public.

Communications and Planning directs the agency's communications and legislative affairs work. The division oversees the Minnesota Office of Continuous Improvement, which has delivered continuous improvement training to over 4000 public sector employees and coordinated over 300 'kaizen' process improvement events. The division also partners with other public institutions, non-profits, corporations and other key partners to pursue innovative solutions and business efficiencies across state government.

Data Practices Office provides technical assistance and consultation on Minnesota's data practices act, the Open Meeting law, and other information policy laws. The division also works with organizations, individuals, and government entities in drafting, proposing and tracking legislation related to government information policy.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE



Commissioner: Thom Petersen

Salary: \$144,991

Appointed: 2019

Commissioner Petersen served as the Director of Government Relations for Minnesota Farmers Union (MFU) since 2002, working on behalf of MFU's farmer-members in both Washington, D.C. and St. Paul. Prior to his work at the Minnesota Farmers Union, Thom spent most of his life working for his family and his own horse and farm business. He has served on the University of Minnesota Extension Citizens Advisory Committee, Farmers Legal Action Group, Citizens Utility Board, Minnesota Ag in the Classroom, Minnesota State Organic Task Force, Minnesota Rural Broadband Coalition, and the Minnesota Fair Plan. Normandale Community College (A.A.)

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Law provides: The department encourages and promotes agricultural industries, assists in the marketing of farm products, and exercises regulatory powers to ensure the continued high quality of Minnesota agricultural production. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 17.03)

MDA's mission is to enhance Minnesotans' quality of life by ensuring the integrity of our food supply, the health of our environment, and the strength of our agricultural economy.

Marketing and Development Division: Works to strengthen Minnesota's agricultural economy by promoting and marketing local foods, organics, livestock and renewable fuels, as well as develop domestic and international markets for Minnesota agricultural products. The division provides financial and technical assistance to producers and small businesses, supports agricultural education in schools, and promotes land stewardship programs.

Dairy and Food Inspection Division: Protects public health by enforcing state laws and regulations pertaining to the production, processing, and sale of dairy, food, meat, and feed products. The division inspects food manufacturers, retail grocery stores, dairy farms, feed mills and pet food manufacturers to verify quality, condition, labeling and sanitation. It also investigates reports of food contamination to determine cause of foodborne illness outbreaks.

Pesticide and Fertilizer Management Division: Regulates the use of pesticides and fertilizers; licenses applicators; inspects and issues permits to agricultural chemical facilities; develops and promotes best management practices; conducts pesticide misuse investigations; and monitors surface and ground water for agricultural chemicals. The division also has oversight of voluntary cleanups, waste pesticide collection and agricultural chemical site remediation.

Plant Protection Division: Protects Minnesota's crops and native plant species through regulatory programs and support services; certifies, inspects and regulates nursery and apary industries to protect against invasive or exotic pests; provides certification services to nursery stock, bee colonies and related equipment for export requirements; inspects and certifies the seed and seed potato industries; conducts surveys for agricultural and forest pests and diseases; and has overall responsibility for reducing or eliminating exotic and invasive plant pests.

Laboratory Services Division: Provides microbiological and chemical analysis of samples to determine if the samples meet the standards established under law, regulation or label; and performs analyses to fulfill contracts and cooperative agreements with the USDA, FDA, EPA, and other federal and state agencies.

Agricultural Statistics

USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) works in partnership with the MDA to provide Minnesota farmers, agribusinesses, government, and the general public with accurate data on major crops and livestock, farm income, farm costs and returns, and other special agricultural information. The NASS Minnesota Field Office measures the current and potential food supply

by collection, analysis, and publication of agricultural statistics at both the state and county level. Reports are available on the NASS website.

Rural Finance Authority

The Rural Finance Authority (RFA) partners with local lenders to provide low-interest loan programs to farmers. These include loans for farmers to make improvements, expand livestock operations, respond to disasters, and restructure debt. Loans are also available for beginning farmers to purchase real estate. Ag Best Management Practices (AgBMP) loans provide low-cost funding for projects that help residents comply with local water quality plans.



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Interim Commissioner: Grace Arnold
Appointed:

Salary: \$144,991

Grace Arnold was appointed Temporary Commissioner of the Department of Commerce on September 11, 2020. Previously, Commissioner Arnold served as Deputy Commissioner of Insurance. In this role, she oversaw solvency, policy form approval, rate review and review of insurance transactions for life insurance, health insurance and property & casualty insurance business conducted in Minnesota. Before joining the Department, Arnold led the development of individual and family plans at Bright Health, a Minneapolis-based health insurance carrier. Prior to her time at Bright Health, Arnold held a variety of positions at the Center for Consumer Information and Insurance Oversight of the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, most recently as Chief of Staff to the Chief Technology Officer. In that role, she helped lead the technology turnaround of healthcare.gov. Prior to her role in the Office of the CTO, she led risk adjustment policy making. Macalester College (B.A); George Washington University (M.P.H.)

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Law provides: The department regulates financial service industries in Minnesota including insurance, state-chartered banks, credit unions, securities, and real estate. The department licenses franchises, collection agencies, and currency exchanges. The department also enforces Public Utilities Commission rules and orders, regulates natural gas and electric public utilities, energy conservation standards, and administers energy information programs, low-income home energy assistance and weatherization, regulation of telephone companies, Telecommunications Access Minnesota (TAM), the Petrofund, and unclaimed property programs. (*Minnesota Statutes*, Chapters; 45-56, 58, 58A, 59A, 59B, 59C, 60A-60C, 61A-B, 62A-V, 64B, 65A-B, 66A, 67A, 69, 70A, 71A, 72A-C, 79, 79A, 80A-C, 81A, 82, 82B-C, 83, 115C, 116J, 123B, 168.66, 216A, 216B, 216C, 216E, 216F, 169, 174, 176, 214, 239, 332; 45, 60-79; 45, 80, 237; 306, 332, 501; 82-83; 345; 115C; Minnesota Rules, 2600-2899, 7600-7602, 7603-7799, 7810-7835).

Function: The Commerce Department's mission is to protect the public interest and advocate for Minnesota's consumers; ensure a strong, competitive, and fair marketplace; strengthen Minnesota's economic future; and serve as a trusted resource for consumers and businesses.

Consumer and Administrative Division oversees the Consumer Services Center, licensing unit, Unclaimed Property Program, Petrofund Program, and provides internal support functions for the department. The Consumer Services Center responds to consumer complaints and requests for information, engages in outreach activities, and provides disaster response services in emergency situations. The division licenses approximately 190,000 professionals in Minnesota. The Unclaimed Property Program ensures compliance with the state's unclaimed property laws and reuniting individuals with their unclaimed properties, such as safe deposit boxes, security-related holdings, savings accounts, uncashed paychecks, traveler's checks, stock, insurance and uncashed tax refunds; and the Petrofund Program, which provides staff assistance to the Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board and manages petroleum storage tank cleanup.

Energy Resources Division promotes the use of renewable energy and conservation to improve the environment, promote the clean-energy economy, and a strong renewable energy sector. The Division promotes energy-efficient building, conservation, alternative transportation fuels, as well as focuses on accelerating the use of high-efficiency and renewable energy technologies and practices. Additionally, the Division advocates on behalf of consumers and ratepayers in proceedings at the Public Utilities Commission to ensure that rates are justified and that energy service is reliable. For Minnesota consumers, the Division houses the State's Energy Information Line, administers the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program and the Weatherization Program.

Enforcement Division ensures compliance and responsible business conduct in Minnesota. The division receives and investigates consumer complaints and market misconduct regarding insurance agents and brokers, stock and investment brokers, real estate agents and brokers, mortgage originators, appraisers, franchises, collection agencies, currency exchanges, and other regulated industries in the state. Additionally, the division houses the Securities Section that reviews applications for common stock, limited partnerships, investment company securities, preferred stock, bonds, and other debt securities, corporate takeovers, subdivided land and franchises. The division also houses the Commerce Fraud Bureau, a law enforcement agency, which conducts criminal investigations and makes arrests in cases of insurance fraud alleged by insurance companies, other law enforcement agencies or consumers.

Financial Institutions Division regulates, examines, and licenses state-chartered banks, credit unions, mortgage companies, finance companies, and other financial institutions. The division analyzes current information on the financial condition and solvency of institutions and provides guidance in taking regulatory action to protect consumers. The Financial Institutions Division is nationally accredited by the Conference of State Bank Supervisors (CSBS).

Insurance Division regulates Minnesota's insurance market and insurance companies. As Minnesota's insurance regulator, the division licenses, examines and regulates domestic and foreign insurance companies for safety and financial solvency to ensure a strong, competitive and fair marketplace. Additionally, the division evaluates insurance policies and rates to ensure fairness and compliance with *Minnesota statutes*. The Insurance Division is nationally accredited by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners (NAIC).

Telecommunications regulates the state's telephone industry to ensure quality, reliable service at fair prices. It represents the public interest before the Public Utilities Commission, has the ability to investigate telecommunication issues and enforces the commission's orders and statutory requirements. The division also manages the Telecommunications Access Minnesota (TAM) program for the deaf and hard of hearing Minnesotans.

Weights and Measures is the state's first consumer protection agency, established in 1885. It ensures the accuracy of all commercial weighing and measuring equipment in Minnesota, from gas pumps to grain elevators to grocery scales. The division also offers precision measurement services, inspects packaged commodities, and monitors the quality and correct labeling of petroleum products.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS



Commissioner: Paul Schnell
Appointed: 2019

Salary: \$150,002

Commissioner Schnell began a career in corrections and public safety with an internship supervising adult male offenders in a St. Paul halfway house. In 1993, Paul moved from his position working with youth offenders at Carver County Court Services to deputy sheriff for the Carver County Sheriff's Office. In 1999, Paul joined the Saint Paul Police Department. He has served as Chief of Police for the cities of Hastings, Maplewood, and Inver Grove Heights, and has held volunteer roles in a number of organizations: 180 Degrees, Tubman, Minnesota Chiefs of Police Association, and National Alliance on Mental Illness.

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Law provides: The commissioner has the power and duties to accept persons committed by the courts for care, custody, and rehabilitation and for the administration of the state correctional facilities. (*Minnesota Statutes, 241*)

Facility Services Division operates 10 correctional facilities housing male and female offenders throughout the state. This division is also responsible for the management and delivery of services, such as offender chemical dependency and sex offender treatment, education, offender medical care and treatment, religious programming, offender transfer and classification, criminal investigations, fugitive apprehensions, building improvements, expansions, investigations, workplace safety, and correctional industries (MINNCOR).

Community Services Division is responsible for probation and release supervision, administration of the community corrections act, jail inspection, interstate compacts, community service and work release programs, county probation subsidy, contracts with community-based programs, reentry services, and hearings and release.

Operations Support Division is responsible for human resource management, employee development, victim assistance/restorative justice, financial services, offender records and information technology.

Minnesota Correctional Institutions:

Stillwater: close-security facility for adult male felons. **Warden:** Guy Bosch

St. Cloud: close-security facility for adult male felons; reception facility for all adult male offenders. **Warden:** Eddie Miles

Oak Park Heights: maximum-security facility for high-risk adult males. **Warden:** Jeff Titus

Lino Lakes: medium-security facility for adult males. **Warden:** Shannon Reimann

Shakopee: all-security level facility for adult female offenders. **Warden:** Kathy Halvorson

Faribault: medium-security facility for adult males. **Warden:** Tracy Beltz

Willow River/Moose Lake: medium-security facility for adult males (Moose Lake); also site of Challenge Incarceration Program (boot camp) for males (Willow River). **Warden:** William Bolin

Red Wing: facility for juvenile male offenders and a small population of separately housed adult males. **Superintendent:** Shon Thieren

Rush City: close-security facility for adult males. **Warden:** Vicki Janssen

Togo: program for juvenile males referred by the courts and site of Challenge Incarceration Program (boot camp) for separately housed adult females. **Superintendent:** Gino Anselmo



DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Commissioner: Heather Mueller
Appointed: 2021

Salary: \$150,002

Formerly the Deputy Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Education, Dr. Heather Mueller started her career at Mankato Area Public Schools in August 1997 teaching high school social studies. During her 24-year career in education, she was a classroom teacher for 11 years, and then she worked as a continuous improvement coach, professional development coordinator, and the director of teaching and learning. Previously at the Minnesota Department of Education, she served as Assistant Commissioner, leading the Office of Teaching and Learning, and overseeing the Divisions of Academic Standards and Instructional Effectiveness; Career and College Success; Early Learning Services; Equity and Opportunity; School Support; and Testing and Assessment. Dr. Mueller earned her Doctor of Education in leadership degree, with an emphasis in Organizational Analysis and Change, from St. Mary's University. She earned her Specialist and K-12 administrative license, master's degree in educational leadership, and a bachelor's degree in social studies from Minnesota State University, Mankato.

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Law provides: The mission of the department is to increase the capacity of Minnesota communities to improve measurably the well-being of children and families. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 199A.01, Subd. 3)

Mission: "Leading for educational excellence and equity. Every day for every one."

The department focuses on three primary goals:

- making sure every child arrives at kindergarten ready to learn;
- closing the achievement gap, so all students in Minnesota have full opportunities to succeed;
- ensuring every student has an excellent teacher and principal, to receive the best possible education and graduate fully prepared for success in college or a career.

The department is organized into four general areas:

Student Success: Create equitable opportunities for every student: provide supports so all students are ready to learn and achieve at high levels.

Educator Excellence: Support teaching for better schools: provide exemplary academic instruction and recruit, prepare exemplary service providers, teachers and administrators to ensure all students succeed.

Early Learning and Family Support: Provide better early childhood education: establish and maintain systems and structures to ensure all children enter school ready to learn.

Accountability: Improve testing for better results: align systems and structures that promote and provide quality education to all students.



DEPARTMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Commissioner: Steve Grove
Appointed: 2019

Salary: \$150,002

Commissioner Grove is the founding director of Google's News Lab and led Google's civic engagement work, including the company's voter information and get-out-the-vote efforts. He previously led YouTube's first news and politics team, and wrote for The Boston Globe and ABC News. He has served as an advisor to the White House and State Department on countering violent extremism, and serves on the advisory boards of Witness, a video human rights nonprofit; and Report for America, a nationwide

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Law provides: The department is the state's principal economic development agency, with programs promoting business recruitment, expansion, and retention; workforce development; international trade; and community development. The department employs all available state government resources to upgrade the skills of Minnesota's workforce, foster economic independence and self-sufficiency, and facilitate an economic environment that produces net new job growth in excess of the national average. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 16A, 116J, 116L, 116M, 248, 268, and 268A)

Mission: To empower the growth of the Minnesota economy, for everyone.

Function: DEED facilitates an economic environment to produce jobs and improve the quality of the state's workforce.

Economic Development supports the growth of businesses and communities through grants and loans, consultations, education sessions, employment and economic information, and other programs and services. This division includes: Broadband Development, Business Development, Business Finance, Community Finance, Economic Analysis, Labor Market Information, Minnesota Trade Office, and Small Business.

Workforce Development strives to ensure that businesses have the talent they need to be competitive and that workers have the skills they need to compete. This division includes: CareerForce Locations and Programming, Economic Opportunity, Employment and Training Programs, and Governor's Workforce Development Board.

Workforce Services encompasses a range of key programs that help people who have been laid off, are unable to work or face other challenges to employment. This division includes: Disability Determination Services, State Services for the Blind, Unemployment Insurance, and Vocational Rehabilitation Services.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH



Commissioner: Jan Malcolm
Appointed: 1999, 2018, 2019

Salary: \$150,002

Commissioner Malcolm has served as Commissioner for the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) in now three administrations, including Governor Jesse Ventura (1999-2003) and Governor Mark Dayton (2018). Before rejoining MDH in 2018, Malcolm was an adjunct faculty member at the University of Minnesota School of Public Health. She served as a Senior Program Officer at the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to develop initiatives that strengthen the nation's public health system, and as the CEO of the Courage Center. She served as a board member for

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Law provides: The department is responsible for the development and maintenance of an organized system of programs to protect, maintain, and improve the health of citizens. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 144)

Function: The department identifies public health problems through collection and analysis of health data; provides services to prevent and control infectious and chronic disease; promotes healthy behaviors; establishes and enforces standards for health care facilities and for environmental health hazards; monitors the state's health care delivery system; provides technical assistance for health care facilities and professionals; administers the office of health facilities complaints; disseminates public health information; coordinates, integrates and evaluates local, state and federal programs and services affecting the public's health; and advises the governor and the Legislature on matters affecting public health.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS



Commissioner: Rebecca Lucero
Appointed: 2019

Salary: \$144,991

of Minnesota (J.D.)

Commissioner Lucero has extensive policy, legal, and nonprofit leadership experience, most recently as the Public Policy Director at the Minnesota Council of Nonprofits. Previously, she served as a Policy and Advocacy Manager and Global Village Leader for Twin Cities Habitat for Humanity, Senior Community Representative for Representative Keith Ellison, and in the legal sector with the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development and Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis. Rebecca serves as a board member for Gender Justice. Grinnell College (B.A.), University

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Law provides: The department administers the Minnesota Human Rights Act to ensure that civil rights as defined by Minnesota law are afforded to all people within Minnesota.
(Minnesota Statute, 363A)

Mission Statement: The department seeks to make Minnesota discrimination free by eradicating discrimination and empowering every person in Minnesota with the ability to enjoy all of the benefits of society regardless of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, disability, age, sexual orientation, familial status, and public assistance status.

Function: Consistent with the Minnesota Human Rights Act, the focus of the department is to:

- Receive, process and investigate charges of discrimination to determine whether there is probable cause to believe that the Minnesota Human Rights Act was violated and resolve complaints through agreement of the parties or through litigation,
- Ensure state contractors comply with the state of Minnesota's equal employment opportunity laws, and
- Attempt, by means of education, conference, conciliation and persuasion to eliminate unfair discriminatory practices.

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES



Commissioner: Jodi Harpstead
Appointed: 2019

Salary: \$154,992

Prior to her appointment, Commissioner Harpstead was the president and CEO of Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota (LSS) since September 2011. She also was the executive vice president and chief operating officer for LSS and spent 23 years in a variety of positions with Medtronic, Inc. Commissioner Harpstead has volunteered in leadership capacities for a variety of other organizations including Augsburg University, Lutheran Services in America and ARRM – the statewide association of community-based service providers for people with disabilities. She received her master of business administration in finance and bachelor's degree in business administration from

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Law provides: The department administers programs for citizens whose personal or family resources are not adequate to meet their basic needs. The commissioner administers and supervises publicly funded health care programs, economic self-sufficiency programs, children's services and community-based services to persons with disabilities. It also administers state-operated services for persons with chemical dependency, developmental disabilities, and mental illness and operates one center for geriatric patients. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 245–261)

Mission statement: The Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) helps people meet their basic needs so they can live in dignity and achieve their highest potential.

Function: Health care programs and economic assistance programs.

Children and Family Services

DHS oversees programs that help keep children safe and provide families with supports to care for their children. This includes child protection services, out-of-home care, permanent homes for children, child support and child development services. DHS also works with counties and tribes to help low-income families with children achieve economic stability through programs such as the Minnesota Family Investment Program, the Diversionary Work Program, food assistance, child care assistance, refugee cash assistance and employment services.

Community Supports

The administration manages programs for Minnesotans in the areas of Behavioral Health, Deaf and Hard of Hearing Services, Disability Services, and Housing and Support Services.

Continuing Care for Older Adults

The administration works to ensure quality care and services for seniors and other adults who need help living as independently as possible.

Direct Care and Treatment

The administration is a highly specialized health care system that serves people with mental illness, developmental disabilities, substance use disorders and other conditions who cannot be treated by other health care providers. It operates psychiatric hospitals and other inpatient mental health and substance abuse treatment facilities, dental clinics, group homes and sex offender treatment facilities. Most patients and clients have been civilly committed by the court.

Health Care

The administration oversees Minnesota Health Care Programs. This includes Medical Assistance, Minnesota's Medicaid program for people with low incomes, and MinnesotaCare for residents who do not have access to affordable health insurance and do not qualify for other publicly funded programs. The administration manages eligibility processing and determination, benefit and payment policies, program development, member and provider relations and outreach, health care payment systems, contract management, research and evaluation, and oversight for the county and tribal administration of health care programs.



DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY

Interim Commissioner: Roslyn Robertson
Appointed: 2021

Salary: \$144,991

Commissioner Roslyn Robertson previously served as deputy commissioner and oversaw the agency operation areas of Apprenticeship, Construction Codes and Licensing, Labor Standards, Occupational Safety and Health, and Workers' Compensation during 2019 to August 2020. She has more than 30 years of experience working at the Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) in a variety of leadership roles and has significant experience in the program areas of Labor Standards, Apprenticeship, OSHA and Construction Codes and Licensing.

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Deputy Commissioner: Nicole Blissenbach
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Law provides: The department administers laws relating to workers' compensation, occupational safety and health, wages, child labor, construction codes and licensing, standards for dual training, youth skills training and combative sports. (Minnesota Statutes: 175; 176; 177; 178; 181; 181A; 182; 184; 325E.66; 326B; 327.20, subdivision 1(5); 327.205; 327.31-327.36; 327A; 327B; 341; and 31.175.)

Function: The department is a regulatory and technical assistance agency with responsibility to ensure widespread compliance with all state laws and established construction codes for all of Minnesota's work and living environments through education, licensing and penalty citations. The agency oversees the state's programs for apprenticeship, construction codes and licensing, dual-training pipeline, occupational safety and health, wage and hour standards, workers' compensation and youth skills training.

The Construction Codes and Licensing Division advises the public and enforces laws, rules, codes and regulations regarding construction codes and licensing of the construction industry.

The Workers' Compensation Division assures compliance with workers' compensation statutes, maintains workers' compensation records, monitors workers' compensation rehabilitation services, resolves workers' compensation disputes, pays benefits to injured workers whose employers were uninsured or bankrupt and pays supplemental benefits.

The Labor Standards and Apprenticeship Division enforces employment laws governing child labor, minimum wage, overtime, prevailing wage and parental leave. It regulates, supervises and promotes apprenticeship programs that meet state standards.

The Minnesota Occupational Safety and Health Administration Division helps keep Minnesota workplaces safe and healthy through separate Compliance (workplace inspections and investigations) and Workplace Safety Consultation (free voluntary workplace safety and health services) units.

Dual-Training Pipeline Program supports employers in building their own dual-training programs, which combine structured on-the-job training with formal related education.

Youth Skills Training Program supports partnerships between schools, employers and community organizations to provide safe, healthy and meaningful paid work experiences to students 16 and older.

Office of Combative Sports enforces combative sport laws and issues licenses to combatants, promoters and others required to be licensed.



DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY AFFAIRS

Adjutant General: Shawn Manke
Appointed: 2020

Salary: \$165,495

General Manke is a Distinguished Military Graduate from the Army ROTC program at the University of North Dakota. He commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Aviation branch in May 1991. After leaving the active Army as a Captain, General Manke joined the Minnesota National Guard. Prior to his current assignment, General Manke was the full-time Joint Chief of Staff for the Minnesota National Guard. He also served as Assistant Division Commander – Operations for the 34th Red Bull Infantry Division. He is a graduate of the United States Army War College, Command and General Staff College, Aviation Officer Advanced and Basic Course, Air Assault Course and Airborne School.

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Senior Enlisted Advisor: CSM Brian Soper

Law provides: The adjutant general is the chief of staff to the commander-in-chief and the administrative head of the military department with responsibility for the military forces and reservations of the state. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 190)

Function: The department is responsible for providing personnel and units that are trained, equipped, and supported by facilities to meet all federal and state missions. The Department of Military Affairs serves as the civilian leadership for the Minnesota National Guard and provides oversight and management of the state functions of the National Guard. The Guard has served with distinction from the Civil War through the current era by providing relevant forces to the nation in times of war. It also provides forces to the state to support civilian authorities during domestic emergencies to protect life and property and to preserve peace, order and public safety.

Minnesota Guardsmen serve at 61 facilities in 58 communities throughout the state including Army aviation facilities in St. Paul and St. Cloud and Air Force bases in Duluth (148th Fighter Wing) and at the Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport (133rd Airlift Wing). The department also manages the National Guard training sites at the Camp Ripley Training Center in Morrison County and the Arden Hills Army Training Site.



DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Commissioner: Sarah Strommen
Appointed: 2019

Salary: \$154,992

Commissioner Strommen served previously as the Policy Director for Friends of the Boundary Waters Wilderness and as Associate Director of the Minnesota Land Trust. She joined the State of Minnesota in 2012, serving as the Assistant Director and Acting Deputy Director for the Minnesota Board of Water and Soil Resources. Since 2015, Sarah has served as Assistant Commissioner for the divisions of Fish and Wildlife and Parks and

Trails at the DNR. Sarah was mayor of Ramsey from 2012-2018. Grinnell College (B.A., Biology), Duke University (MEM, Environmental Mgmt).

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Asst. Commissioner, Ecological and Water Res., Forestry, Lands, Minerals: Barb Naramore

Assistant Commissioner, Policy and Government Relations: Bob Meier

Assistant Commissioner, Ecological and Water Resources and Lands and Minerals: Jess Richards

Assistant Commissioner, Parks and Trails, Forestry, and Operations Services: Shannon Lotthammer

Law provides: The department coordinates management of the public domain and seeks to serve the public in developing a long-range program to conserve the natural resources of the state. (Minnesota Statutes, 84)

Function: The mission of the department is to work with citizens to conserve the state's natural resources, to provide outdoor recreation opportunities and to provide for commercial uses of natural resources in a way that creates a sustainable quality of life.

Ecological and Water Resources Division promotes integrated land and water conservation to achieve healthy watersheds throughout Minnesota. The division collects and delivers information on ground and surface water, lake and stream habitat, and rare plants and animals. It also regulates water use, public water modifications, and dam safety, and provides regulatory oversight to local governments for shoreland, floodplain, and Minnesota's Wild and Scenic Rivers program. The division is also responsible for managing and preventing the spread of invasive species as well as the Scientific and Natural Area, nongame wildlife, and threatened and endangered species programs. Interim Director: Ann Pierce

Enforcement Division enforces natural resource laws and promotes public safety through enforcing recreational laws; provides snowmobile and firearms safety training, and advanced hunter education; and engages in public relations and conservation programs. Director: Rodmen Smith

Fish and Wildlife Division protects and manages Minnesota's fish and wildlife populations and their habitats for their intrinsic values and long-term ecological, commercial, and recreational benefits to the people of Minnesota. Emphasis is placed on managing harvestable species on a sustainable basis to provide quality hunting, fishing, trapping, and other outdoor experiences. Director: Dave Olfelt

Forestry Division manages 4.2 million acres of state-owned forest land for multiple values including wildlife habitat, biological diversity, water quality and outdoor recreation; protects people, property, and natural resources from wildfire on 45.5 million acres of land in Minnesota; supports Minnesota's forest products industry by supplying about 30 percent of the wood fiber used in the state; and provides income for the Permanent School Fund through the sale of state timber. Director: Forrest Boe

Lands and Minerals Division manages real estate transactions on 5.5 million acres of state-owned lands and mineral activities on about 12 million acres of state-owned mineral rights, including 18 percent of the mineral rights on the Mesabi Iron Range; manages state-owned lands and mineral rights to generate revenue for the Permanent School Fund, Permanent University Fund and taxing districts throughout the state. Director: Joseph Henderson

Operations Support Division provides the critical policy, programmatic, business and managerial support necessary to achieve the DNR's mission. Division functions include planning and continuous improvement programs; deploying the agency's financial, human, and physical resources; and administering pass-through grants. Director: Eric Hallstrom

Parks and Trails Division manages state parks, trails and water recreation to create unforgettable experiences that inspire people to pass along the love for the outdoors to current and future generations. The division is responsible for preserving, restoring and interpreting natural and cultural resources and for providing affordable access to lakes, rivers and public land for the purpose of enjoying nature and recreation. Director: Erika Rivers

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY



Commissioner: John Harrington
Appointed: 2019

Salary: \$154,992

Commissioner Harrington began his career at the Saint Paul Police Department. He was selected Chief of Police in 2004 and served in that role until 2010. John was appointed to serve as the Metro Transit Chief of Police for the Twin Cities area in 2012. Prior to his appointment, he served as a Minnesota State Senator from the east side of St. Paul from 2010 to 2012. John has been on the faculty at Metropolitan State University, Saint Mary's University, and St. Thomas University. He is the founding member of the Asian American and Black Police officer Associations. Dartmouth

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Deputy Commissioner: Cassandra O'Hern

Assistant Commissioner: Bob Hawkins

Law provides: The department coordinates and directs the functions and services of the state relating to the safety and convenience of its citizens. (*Minnesota Statutes, 299A*)

Function: The department is an enforcement, licensing, and services agency that develops and operates programs in the areas of law enforcement, traffic safety, alcohol and gambling, fire safety, driver and vehicle licensing, emergency management and public safety information.

Department of Public Safety Divisions:

Alcohol and Gambling Enforcement issues manufacturing liquor wholesale licenses, approves some retail licenses, and serves as statewide repository for remaining retail license records. Enforcement includes prosecution of bootlegging, illegal sales to minors, and trade practice violations. The division conducts investigations related to lawful gambling, such as the Minnesota Lottery, pari-mutuel horse racing and tribal gambling. **Director:** Carla Cincotta

Bureau of Criminal Apprehension provides investigative and specialized law enforcement services to prevent and solve crimes in partnership with law enforcement, public safety and criminal justice agencies. Services include criminal justice training and development, forensic laboratory analysis, criminal histories and investigations. **Superintendent:** Drew Evans

Driver and Vehicle Services administers Minnesota's driver's license and vehicle registration programs, including driver's license testing and issuing, driver safety compliance, motor vehicle titling and registration, commercial vehicle registration, collection of crash data, and auto dealer licensing and regulation. **Director:** Emma Corrie

Emergency Communication Networks oversees the Statewide 911 Program, Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER) radio communications network, and the Interoperability Program. **Director:** Dana Wahlberg

Homeland Security and Emergency Management helps Minnesota prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from natural and human-caused disasters. The division develops and maintains partnerships, collects and shares information, plans, trains and educates, coordinates response resources, and provides technical and financial assistance. **Director:** Joe Kelly

State Fire Marshal assists local authorities in the investigation of fires, conducts fire and life safety inspections of certain buildings, coordinates hazardous materials response teams, collects and analyzes fire incident data, defines issues for fire prevention and public education efforts, and develops fire code and strategies to address the fire threats to those most at risk in Minnesota. **Director:** Jim Smith

State Patrol provides for safe and efficient movement of traffic on Minnesota's roads and

highways, assists motorists at crashes, and inspects school buses and commercial vehicles. Capitol Security/Executive Protection provides security for all persons and property in the Capitol complex and state buildings in the Twin Cities. **Director:** Col. Matthew Langer

Office of Pipeline Safety inspects natural gas, propane and hazardous liquid pipelines, and investigates leaks and accidents. The office collects data used to evaluate the safety and effectiveness of pipeline operators. **Director:** Jim Smith

Office of Traffic Safety coordinates federally funded enforcement and education traffic safety programs and administers state funds for the motorcycle safety program. The office develops an annual Highway Safety Plan and compiles data for and publishes *Minnesota Motor Vehicle Crash Facts*, an annual summary of traffic crashes on Minnesota's roads. **Director:** Mike Hanson

Office of Communications provides public information to media, promotes department programming and initiatives, prepares public education campaigns and material, and manages website content and social media. The office also manages the Joint Information Center when the State Emergency Operations Center is activated. **Director:** Bruce Gordon

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE



Commissioner: Robert Doty
Appointed: 2020

Salary: \$154,992

Before his appointment to commissioner, Doty served as assistant commissioner at Revenue. In that role, he oversaw the work of public policy and engagement, and was responsible for the work of the Tax Research, Appeals and Legal Services, and Legislative divisions. Doty brings extensive experience in the non- and for-profit business sectors. He brings experience related to change management, strategic planning, systems design, marketing, communications, information technology, operations, human resources, and finance. Before joining Revenue in 2019, Doty was the executive director of the Minnesota State Lottery. He also served as the chief operations officer and chief financial officer for the Minneapolis Public Schools. Doty received his MBA from the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota and is a licensed CPA (inactive) in Minnesota.

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Deputy Commissioner: Lee Ho **Assistant Commissioner:** Sarah Bronson
Assistant Commissioner: Justin Nieman **Assistant Commissioner:** Alyssa Haugen

Law provides: The department supervises the administration of Minnesota tax laws. (*Minnesota Statutes, 270C.02*)

Function: The department provides customers with information, education, and services they need to meet their obligations, processes returns and payments, audits to resolve discrepancies and discourages tax evasion, enforces the tax laws, and identifies and recommends improvements to the revenue system.

The department administers 28 taxes with annual tax collections of approximately \$32.1 billion in FY 2016. This money funds school aids, property tax relief, local government aids, individual assistance programs, and a number of other state programs and operations. Of the state's FY 2016 revenues, 33.4 percent is from individual income tax, 20.8 percent from sales tax, 4.1 percent from corporate income tax, 27.4 percent from state and local property taxes, and 14.1 percent from other taxes.

- Individual Taxes (individual income tax and withholding, collection, tax operations, integrated tax system management)
- Business Taxes (corporate franchise tax, sales and use tax, special taxes, property tax, analytics management)
- Tax Policy (Policy, legislation, and research)
- Administrative Law and Compliance (Appeals and legal services, criminal investigations, data practices, and disclosure)
- Administration (Financial management, human resources, business planning and improvement, internal audit)

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



Commissioner: Margaret Anderson Kelliher
Appointed: 2019

Salary: \$154,992

Commissioner Kelliher served twelve years in the Minnesota House of Representatives, including two terms as the Speaker of the House. While in the House, she served ten years on both the Transportation Policy and Transportation Finance Committees. While serving as Speaker, Kelliher oversaw the successful Transportation and Transit Funding package in 2008, creating an investment of new and dedicated funds into Minnesota's bridges, roads and transit system. At the time of passage, the legislation was

a groundbreaking investment in the multimodal transportation and transit system in Minnesota and nationally.

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Deputy Commissioner/Chief Engineer: Nancy Daubenberger

Deputy Commissioner and Chief Administrative Officer: Scott Peterson

Assistant Commissioner, Modal Planning and Program Management: Tim Henkel

Assistant Commissioner, Engineering Services: Mark Gieseke

Assistant Commissioner, Operations: Jay Hietpas

Assistant Commissioner, Corporate Services: Janet Cherney

Assistant Commissioner, State Aid: Kristine Elwood

Communications Director: Jacob Loesch

Law provides: The Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT) manages a statewide transportation system that includes aeronautics, highways, motor carriers, ports, public transit, and railroads. MnDOT is the principal agency for developing, implementing, administering, consolidating, and coordinating state transportation policies, plans and programs. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 174)

Function: MnDOT's mission is to improve access to markets, jobs, goods and services and improve mobility by focusing on priority transportation improvements and investments that help Minnesotans travel safer, smarter and more efficiently.

Modal Planning and Program Management Division provides leadership on statewide transportation investment and modal operations (including aeronautics, freight, and commercial vehicle operations and transit). **Assistant Commissioner:** Tim Henkel

Engineering Services Division provides engineering guidance, standards, research, training and other expertise to support MnDOT's eight transportation districts in delivering projects and managing roads. **Assistant Commissioner:** Nancy Daubenberger

State Aid Division administers the distribution of state-aid and federal-aid funds to eligible counties, cities, and townships; authorizes grants for bridge construction on local road systems; provides technical assistance in the design, construction, and maintenance of the state-aid and federal-aid road systems. **Assistant Commissioner:** Mitch Rasmussen

District Operations Division is divided into eight transportation districts statewide and is responsible for programming, planning, designing, constructing, and maintaining state highways. The division also plays a role in meeting the needs of other transportation modes (transit, rail rehabilitation, airport, and bikeways) in each district.

Assistant Commissioner: Jody Martinson

Employee Corporate Services Division provides leadership, guidance, and support services to MnDOT employees focusing in the areas of human resources, affirmative action, information, technology, purchasing, contract management, financial administration, materials management, document management, facility management, and various other administrative functions. The division is the key focal point for the agency's interactions with the state departments of Administration, MN.IT, Minnesota Management and Budget, and Human Rights.

Assistant Commissioner: Janet Cherney

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS



Commissioner: Larry Herke
Appointed: 2019

Salary: \$144,991

Commissioner Herke most recently served as Director of the Office of Enterprise Sustainability for the State of Minnesota. Larry served 31 years in the U.S. Army and the Minnesota National Guard. In Iraq he served as the Chief of Staff for 1/34 Brigade Combat Team. With the Minnesota National Guard, he also served as the Construction and Facilities Management Officer. His awards and decorations from his military service include

the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, and Combat Action Badge. Larry serves on the board of the Minnesota Military Museum as the Vice President of Facilities. Minnesota State University – Mankato (B.S., Accounting, M.A., Public Administration)

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Deputy Commissioner of Programs and Services: Brad Lindsay

Deputy Commissioner of Veterans Health Care: Douglas Hughes

Chief of Staff: Mike McElhiney

Law provides: The department was established to furnish services and benefits to Veterans and their families. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 196, 197, 198). In November 2007 an Executive Order merged the Minnesota Veterans Homes with the Minnesota Department of Veterans Affairs. (Executive Order, 07-20, 08-01346; 07-21, 08-01376).

Minnesota Veterans Homes are located around the state in Minneapolis, Hastings, Silver Bay, Luverne, and Fergus Falls. The mission of the Veterans Homes is to oversee and guarantee high-quality health care for Veterans and dependents.

Programs and Services Division assists Minnesota's 360,000 Veterans and their dependents to obtain benefits and services provided by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) and provides statutorily mandated services specific to Minnesota.

Claims and Outreach Division advocates for Veterans and dependents seeking Veterans' benefits from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). This division seeks to identify and serve Veterans of all social and economic backgrounds, including those who are unable to seek assistance due to disability or geographical location.

Director: Ron Quade

Fargo Claims Office advocates for Veterans and dependents in northwestern Minnesota seeking Veterans benefits from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

Office Supervisor: Jeff Burth

Field Operations — Veterans Outreach seeks to identify and serve Veterans of all social and economic backgrounds including those who are unable to seek assistance due to disability or geographical location. They act as a liaison and personal advocate to those seeking benefits such as subsistence, dental, optical and counseling; Federal claims and Federal Department of Veterans Affairs health care. Field Operations is the mobile unit of the MDVA Claims Division with flexibility to travel to those in need while offering professional service and advocacy.

Supervisor: James Miller

Women Veterans and Families Program Coordinator serves Gold Star Families and the gender-specific needs of women Veterans through awareness initiatives and special events.

Coordinator: Ashley Langanieri

Benefits Division provides temporary financial, dental and optical assistance, benefit information, referrals, education programs and discharge locator services.

Director: Kathy Schwartz

Veterans Preference Division provides enforcement of state Veterans' preference statutes pertaining to the rights of Veterans in hiring and dismissal actions. This program officer also serves as point of contact for all state employees with Veteran employment issues.

Veterans Preference Officer: Dennis Devereaux

Minnesota Services C.O.R.E. is a nation-leading program in partnership with Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota designed to bring essential, community-based services directly to Veterans, military members and families across Minnesota by using an existing network of community resources.

Director: Kathy Schwartz

M.O.V.E Program, Minnesota Operation for Veteran Empowerment addresses the state's population of homeless Veterans. Veterans experiencing homelessness are given the opportunity to focus fully on getting their lives back on track. By taking care of basic needs, M.O.V.E. Veterans are empowered to take steps to regain their independence and self-sufficiency.

Director: Kathy Schwartz

State Veterans Cemetery provides burial services to Veterans and eligible dependents who wish to be buried at the cemetery near Little Falls. For information, call (320) 616-2527.

Supervisor: David Swantek

LinkVet Call Center is staffed by trained MDVA staff during business hours and provides information on Veterans' benefits, healthcare, education, and reintegration. After business hours the line is transferred to Crisis Connection counselors for 24-hour, seven days a week coverage (including holidays) for immediate crisis intervention and psychological counseling.

LinkVet contact number: 1-888-LinkVet (1-888-546-5838)

Higher Education Veterans Program is designed to support the success of Veterans, current military members, and their families at Minnesota's colleges and universities by providing on campus Veterans Resource Centers, comprehensive information about benefits and resources as well as institutional readiness in support of the unique needs of these students.

Director of Veterans Education and Employment: David Bellefeuille

Minnesota State Approving Agency provides administrative oversight and approval of schools/programs to enable Veterans to use G.I. Bill educational benefits.

Communications Department supports the MDVA overall program goal of serving Minnesota Veterans through media relations, advertising, internal and external communications, marketing, branding, event management and website content management.

Director: Anna Long

Legislative Department provides guidance and oversight in the areas of state and federal legislation, reports to the legislature, Veterans' events, the Commanders Task Force and the County Veteran Service Officer grant process.

HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY



Commissioner: Jennifer Leimaile Ho
Appointed: 2019

Salary: \$144,991

Commissioner Ho has been working to end homelessness since 1999, first as Executive Director of Hearth Connection. Before serving in her most recent post as the Senior Policy Advisor for Housing and Services at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the Obama Administration, Jennifer served as deputy director at the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness (USICH). She has served on the Boards of Directors for West Side Community

Health Services in St. Paul, and nationally for the Corporation for Supportive Housing and the Melville Charitable Trust. Bryn Mawr College (B.A.) .

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Assistant Commissioner, Single Family Division: Kasey Kier

Assistant Commissioner, Multifamily Division: James Lehnhoff

Assistant Commr. and Exec. Dir., Interagency Council on Homelessness: Cathy ten Broeke

Law provides: The agency facilitates the construction, acquisition, improvement, and rehabilitation of housing for low and moderate income Minnesotans by providing affordable financing and related assistance. Its board consists of the state auditor, and six members of the public appointed by the governor. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 462A)

Function: Minnesota Housing finances affordable housing for low- and moderate-income Minnesotans while fostering strong communities. As the state's mission-driven financial institution, it helps Minnesotans buy and fix up their homes and provides resources to stabilize neighborhoods, communities and families. The agency works cooperatively with others to support the development and preservation of affordable rental housing through both financing and long term asset management. It has also pioneered a model for supportive housing that helps stabilize the lives of some of the state's most vulnerable citizens.



IRON RANGE RESOURCES AND REHABILITATION BOARD (IRRRB)

Commissioner: Mark Phillips
Appointed: 2015, 2019

Salary: \$140,000

Commissioner Phillips served as Commissioner of the Department of Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation under Governor Mark Dayton's administration. He has more than 35 years of leadership in development and finance, including launching new and creative programs for community and economic development, real estate development and business financing. Previously, Mark served as the Commissioner of the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) and as the Director of Business Development at Kraus-Anderson Construction Company. He is a recipient of the Economic Development Association of Minnesota's Career Achievement Award.

Deputy Commissioner: Jason Metsa

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Law provides: IRRRB is a development agency whose mission is to promote and invest in business,

community and workforce development for the betterment of northeastern Minnesota. The agency is funded by a portion of local taconite production tax, paid by mining companies on each ton of iron ore pellets produced. These taxes are paid in lieu of local property taxes. The agency provides funding, including low or no-interest loans, grants and loan guarantees, for businesses relocating or expanding in the region. A variety of grants are available to local units of government, education institutions and nonprofits that promote workforce development and sustainable communities. IRRRB also administers mineland reclamation programs, and owns and operates Giants Ridge in Biwabik, Minnesota.

MINNESOTA MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET



Commissioner: Jim Schowalter
Appointed: 2020

Salary: \$154,992

Commissioner Jim Schowalter previously served as commissioner of Minnesota Management and Budget, appointed by Governor Mark Dayton in 2011, and as state budget director from 2004 through 2011. Most recently at HealthPartners, Jim served as Senior Vice President responsible for partnerships and agreements with care providers. Jim received his master's degree in public policy from the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University and his bachelor's degree with a major in economics from Macalester College.

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Acting Deputy Commissioner: Ryan Church

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Assistant Commissioner, Debt Management: Jennifer Hassemmer

State Economist: Dr. Laura Kalambokidis

Chief Financial Officer: Paul Moore

Assistant Commissioner, State Budget Director: Britta Reitan

Assistant Commissioner, Chief Inclusion Officer: Chris Taylor

Assistant Commissioner, Enterprise Communications and Planning: Janelle Tummel

Law provides: The agency is in charge of human resources, labor relations, and overall finance and management of the state. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 16A)

Accounting Services Division is the foundation that supports the state's financial management operations. It provides the required infrastructure for efficient and effective accounting and payroll services conducted throughout the state. The following services are provided:

- Establish statewide policies and procedures to safeguard assets and comply with legal requirements.
- Direct the operation of the statewide accounting and payroll systems.
- Process bi-weekly payroll for state employees and issue payments to various types of vendors including individuals, businesses, non-profit organizations, school districts, and other governmental units.
- Train and assist agency staff on the efficient and effective use of the statewide systems.
- Prepare statewide financial reports including the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), Single Audit Report, and Statewide Indirect Cost Allocation Plan.

Budget Services Division develops the state's biennial and capital budgets. Staff members monitor and analyze financial data within specific activities to ensure implementation of the budgets. It also manages statewide reporting of fees and reviews program policies, identifies alternative budget strategies, and makes recommendations to the Legislature and governor.

Debt Management Division is responsible for debt management and capital budget implementation as well as compliance. These functions seek to increase state government's capacity to manage the state's resources to ensure exceptional service and value for Minnesota citizens.

Enterprise Human Resources is responsible for the management of state hiring and employment through research, development and enhancement of statewide systems for job applicants, hiring managers, supervisors, and state agency human resource offices. The division provides services to all state agencies with direction, development, and maintenance of the applicant process, selection process, classification, and training to maximize state agency efforts to recruit, hire, and retain a diverse workforce.

In addition, the division works with state agencies to establish and maintain a statewide system designed to ensure that equal opportunity, affirmative action, diversity, and Americans with Disability Act (ADA) best practices are implemented in the state's recruitment/selection process and work environment. The division also provides workforce planning guidance and information to state agencies.

Labor Relations Division negotiates and manages the total costs of labor contract settlements, and ensures allocation of resources in ways that maximize value to employees, while recognizing the state's budgetary responsibilities. It represents the state in grievance arbitrations. It also administers the state's compensation system and monitors local government subdivisions to ensure their compliance with the Local Government Pay Equity Act.

Employee Insurance Division plans, develops, administers, and manages state employee insurance benefits that are competitive in the labor market. The division ensures benefits are affordable and structured so that they enhance employee engagement, recruitment, and retention.

Economic Analysis Division analyzes economic factors affecting the state's revenue forecasts. It projects revenues the state can expect to receive and monitors the state's revenue positions, develops financial forecasts, and provides economic analysis to other units of government.

Management Analysis Division (MAD) is an internal consulting unit offering Minnesota state agencies and public sector entities cost-effective analysis, program review, processing and workplace advice, facilitation and training.



MINNESOTA POLLUTION CONTROL AGENCY

Commissioner: Laura Bishop
Appointed: 2019

Salary: \$150,002

Commissioner Bishop has held senior roles in both the private and public sector, most recently as Chief Sustainability and Corporate Responsibility Officer for Best Buy Co., Inc. Prior to Best Buy, Laura spent much of her career in the public sector where she served in roles at the State of Minnesota, the White House, the U.S. Department of Education, and the State Department at the U.S. Embassy in Switzerland. She serves as Chair of the Dean's Advisory Committee at the Hubert Humphrey School for Public Affairs.

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Assistant Commissioner, Legislative: Greta Gauthier

Assistant Commissioner, Air & Climate Policy: Craig McDonnell

Assistant Commissioner, Land Policy & Strategic Initiatives: Kirk Koudelka
Director of Public Engagement & Tribal Liaison: Helen Waqui
Senior Advisor & Director of Communications: Darin Broton

Law provides: That the agency have a commissioner and a nine-member citizens' board to administer the laws relating to preservation of the environment and protection of the public health consistent with the economic welfare of the state. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 116)

Function: The agency's mission is to help Minnesotans protect the environment. The agency measures the quality of the state's environment, develops rules that protect human health and the environment and helps individuals and organizations meet their environmental responsibilities.

Industrial Division administers core regulatory programs affecting large industrial facilities to ensure they comply with air quality, water quality, and hazardous waste regulations, including those related to air and water permitting, waste management, and storage tanks. **Director:** Doug Wetzstein

Municipal Division works with localities to ensure proper management of wastewater, stormwater, and solid waste. Work includes technical assistance, development of rules and policy, permitting, compliance and enforcement. **Director:** Dana Vanderbosch

Remediation Division oversees the process of cleaning up pollution in the soil, water or air from accidental spills or from polluting activities that occur over a long period of time. Programs range from voluntary investigation and cleanup to the emergency response team. The Brownfields program cleans up abandoned land sites contaminated by industry so they can be redeveloped. **Director:** Kathy Sather

Watershed Division delivers environmental programs, products, and services for smaller, dispersed sources of pollution such as small cities, businesses and individuals. Many water quality programs are based in this division, including specific programs such as feedlot permitting, watershed monitoring, assessment and management and other programs targeting nonpoint source pollution. **Director:** Glenn Skuta

Environmental Analysis and Outcomes Division monitors and evaluates the physical, chemical and biological conditions of Minnesota's environment. This information is used to identify environmental threats and impacts to human and ecosystem health; help set environmental goals and measure progress in achieving them; establish standards; conduct risk assessments and effluent limit evaluations in support of regulatory programs; make data accessible to agency leadership, staff, stakeholders and citizens; and lead strategic planning for the agency. **Director:** Todd Biewen

Operations Division provides goods and services to other MPCA divisions and enables the management of resources (people, dollars and knowledge) to meet the agency's current and future priorities by providing a financial management and reporting framework. Examples of services include funding and budgets, data and performance management systems, human resources, news media/communications center and agency publications. **Director:** Reena Solheid

Resource Management and Assistance Division includes the Customer Assistance Center (CAC) and Small Business Assistance Program (SBAP). CAC staff answer questions from regulated parties and citizens about air quality, water quality, hazardous waste, and storage tanks. The SBAP provides free, non-regulatory, confidential environmental assistance to small businesses. **Director:** Dave Benke

MN.IT SERVICES



Commissioner: Tarek Tomes
Appointed: 2019

Salary: \$150,002

Tarek Tomes was the Chief Innovation Officer and Chief Information Officer at the City of St. Paul. In these positions, Tomes was responsible for ongoing process improvements, human-centered design, and overall effectiveness of city services, resource, support, and opportunity. Before joining the City of St. Paul, he served as Assistant Commissioner at Minnesota IT Services for six years and British Telecom for thirteen years.

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Deputy Commissioner: Jon Eichten

Assistant Commissioner, Project Portfolio Management: Zarina Baber

Assistant Commissioner and Chief Technology Officer: Jeff Nyberg

Assistant Commissioner and Chief Information Security Officer: Rohit Tandon

Law provides: The chief information officer is responsible for providing or entering into managed services contracts for the provision, improvement, and development of information technology systems and services to state agencies. The office shall provide oversight, leadership, and direction for information and telecommunications technology policy and the management, delivery, and security of information and telecommunications technology systems and services in Minnesota. The office shall manage strategic investments in information and telecommunications technology systems and services to encourage the development of a technically literate society, to ensure sufficient access to and efficient delivery of government services, and to maximize benefits for the state government as an enterprise. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 16E)

Function: Led by the state chief information officer, the department provides all information technology (IT) services for the executive branch. These services include standard IT services, applications and IT projects. In addition, the department sets state IT standards and policies, and provides an oversight role for IT purchasing and investments, program portfolio management, risk management and security.



OFFICE OF HIGHER EDUCATION SERVICES

Director: Dennis Olson
Appointed: 2019

Salary: \$144,991

Commissioner Olson was most recently the Executive Director of the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council. He also served as the Director of the Office of Indian Education for the Minnesota Department of Education and as Commissioner of Education for the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, and worked nearly 10 years in various capacities for the University of Minnesota – Institute on Community Integration. Dennis is an enrolled member of the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa. University of Minnesota

(B.A., American Indian Studies); University of Minnesota, Duluth (MLS, Liberal Studies, M.Ed., Education).

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Deputy Commissioner: Winnie Sullivan

Assistant Commissioner, Operations: Thomas Sanford

Law provides: The office performs several statewide services that support access to post-secondary education, including student financial aid. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 136A.01)

Function: The agency advances the promise of higher education to all Minnesotans and provides information that informs policy decisions. The agency provides financial aid programs to students, including the State Grant program (\$173 million to over 82,000 students), State Work Study program (\$21 million to about 10,800 students), SELF Loan program (\$66 million to about 8,500 students), and other state financial aid programs. The agency administers interstate reciprocity agreements with neighboring states.

The agency encourages families to save for higher education and administers the Minnesota College Savings Plan. Through the federally funded Get Ready program, the agency works in schools and communities with low-income students and families who are navigating higher education for the first time. The agency registers over 214 private and out-of-state public degree granting institutions, and licenses over 132 private institutions that offer non-degree programs in Minnesota. Minnesota developed the Minnesota Statewide Longitudinal Education Data System (SLEDS), matching student data from pre-kindergarten through completion of postsecondary education and into the workforce. By bridging existing data with other incoming data, a range of education, programmatic and delivery questions can be answered to gauge the effectiveness of current programs and design targeted improvement strategies to help students. The Minnesota P-20 Education Partnership governs the SLEDS system. The project is managed jointly by the Minnesota Office of Higher Education (OHE), Minnesota Departments of Education (MDE) and Employment and Economic Development (DEED).

The agency collects and shares statewide data on enrollments and financial aid and provides reports for the public and policymakers. The agency also oversees Minitex, an information and resource sharing program of the Minnesota Office of Higher Education and the University of Minnesota Libraries. Minitex makes library and information resources accessible to residents by operating the statewide library resource sharing network called MnLINK (Minnesota Library Information Network); administers the Minnesota Digital Library and provides statewide access to ELM, a collection of research and information databases available to students from kindergarten to graduate school and lifelong learners.

MINNESOTA PUBLIC POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA



President of the University: Joan T.A. Gabel
Appointed: 2019

Salary: \$640,000

Haverford College (B.A., Philosophy); University of Georgia (J.D.).

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Law provides: “(T)here shall be established in this territory an institute under the name and style of the University of Minnesota; the government of this university shall be vested in a board of regents elected by the legislature for six-year terms.” (Territorial Laws 1851, Chapter 3; perpetuated by the Minnesota Constitution, Article XIII, Section 3)

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Cultural programs: Cultural activities are featured on all campuses and include theater, dance, opera, musical organizations, art shows, library services, and student centers for social functions.

MINNESOTA STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES (Minnesota State)



Chancellor: Devinder Malhotra
Appointed: 2017

Salary: \$390,000

University of Delhi (B.A., with honors, Economics, 1967, M.A., Economics, 1969); Kansas State University (Ph.D., Economics, 1979); Indian Economic Service (1971-1974); Chair, Department of Economics, University of Akron (1994-1999); Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Akron (1999-2005); Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Southern Maine (2005-2009); Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, St. Cloud State University (2009-2014); Interim President, Metropolitan State University (2014-2016).

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Law provides: The statewide system of state universities, community colleges, and technical colleges is known as Minnesota State Colleges and Universities. These institutions provide programs of study that meet the needs of students for occupational, general, baccalaureate, and graduate education leading to certificates, diplomas, and degrees at the associate, baccalaureate and master's levels. The system benefits students through improved and broader course offerings, ease of transfer among schools and programs, integrated course credit, coordinated degree programs, and coordinated financial aid. (*Minnesota Statutes*, 136F)

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Background: The system became operational on July 1, 1995, bringing together three formerly separate systems of community colleges, technical colleges and state universities. The merger of three systems resulted from legislation passed by the 1991 Minnesota Legislature.

Institutions: The system serves 420,000 students including new high school graduates, adult learners, workers and professionals. Minnesota State colleges and universities educate 60 percent of Minnesota's undergraduates, and confer more than 40,000 degrees, certificates and diplomas each year.

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- Northwest Technical College**, Bemidji, (800) 942-8324 (aligned with Bemidji State University) President: Faith Hensrud
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