



# City of Concord, New Hampshire

## OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

**Byron O. Champlin**

TO: Members of City Council

FROM: Mayor Byron O. Champlin

DATE: April 7, 2025

RE: Transportation Policy Advisory Committee Appointment

I propose the appointment of the following individual to the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee.

- Peter C.L. Roth, 20 Winter Street, Concord. If approved, Peter Roth will serve as an At-Large Representative for a three-year term expiring May 31, 2028. Peter Roth's letter of interest and resume are attached.

In accordance with Section 18 of the City Council Rules, this proposed appointment is being distributed to City Council as information in advance of formal action at the May 12, 2025 City Council meeting.

20 Winter Street  
Concord, New Hampshire 03303

April 3, 2025

Hon. Byron Champlin  
Mayor  
City of Concord  
41 Green Street  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Re: Transportation Advisory Committee Nomination

Dear Mayor Champlin,

Please accept this letter and my accompanying resume as an application for nomination to serve as an at-large member of the Transportation Policy Advisory Committee.

I have been a Concord resident and property owner since 1999. Since 2010, I have lived in Penacook. I have worked in Concord and raised my children here. I have driven many of Concord's streets, walked its downtown, and utilized its parking infrastructure.

As an assistant attorney general I spent a fair amount of time concerned with impacts of energy facility operation and construction on the environment and on cities and towns including Concord. In these projects I engaged professionals to study and evaluate the impacts of projects on transportation infrastructure including roads and rail, and presented their reports and testimony to the Site Evaluation Committee which considered those issues in its permitting consideration.

I am committed to working as a volunteer to make Concord a better, safer place and to preserving and enhancing the quality of life that we enjoy here. I look forward to serving.

Please let me know if you have any questions about my interest and qualifications.

Sincerely yours,

Peter C.L. Roth

## **PETER C.L. ROTH**

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Penacook, New Hampshire 03303  
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### **Experience**

#### **State of New Hampshire Department of Revenue Administration**

*Revenue Counsel/Attorney; 2017 to present (ret'd)*

Served as general counsel to DRA and advised officials on matters concerning taxation, municipal law, bankruptcy, personnel, legislation & rules, and contracts. Represented agency in administrative and court proceedings.

#### **State of New Hampshire Office of the Attorney General Environmental Protection Bureau**

*Senior Assistant Attorney General; 1999 to 2017*

- Environmental enforcement litigation, including hazardous waste, oil tanks, solid waste, air, dams, drinking water, and water pollution cases, in state and federal courts and in administrative settings.
- Energy facility site selection proceedings—Counsel for the Public to address impacts of energy facilities, including environmental, safety & traffic, and economic.
- Complex land reuse and environmental liability disputes and settlement transactions, including real property acquisitions, cash recoveries, property management, sales & leases, and grants of releases.
- Designated counsel to Brownfields program—approve applications, plans, grants and loans, draft covenants not to sue.
- Legislation—served as designee to Secure Landfills Commission, drafted statutes and rules, appeared before committees.
- Personnel matters including PAB, Human Rights Commission, and tort defense.
- Environmental bankruptcies—manufacturers, pulp and paper, real estate development and oil distribution businesses.
- Commercial fisheries, ESA, wildlife, and taking.
- Dam removal and water user fee litigation and negotiation.

#### **Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, Washington, D.C.**

*Attorney; July 1997 to October 1999*

Represented federal agency in ERISA litigation, bankruptcy proceedings, and related complex transactions. Counsel insurance and financial clients on retirement plan termination and liability of sponsors and related members of corporate groups.

#### **Hebb & Gitlin, Hartford, Connecticut**

*Associate; May 1995 to June 1997*

Represented corporate clients in commercial litigation. Co-developed and presented program on Latin American investment for US insurance company executives in Mexico City.

#### **Bingham, Dana & Gould, Boston, Massachusetts**

*Associate; September 1990 to May 1995*

Represented individuals and entities in commercial and bankruptcy litigation and corporate finance secured lending transactions.

**United States Information Agency, Asuncion Paraguay**  
*Academic Advisor and English Language Teacher; 1984*

**Peace Corps Guatemala**  
*Volunteer at Sta. Catarina Barahona, Guatemala, Central America; 1982-1983*

## **Education**

**Suffolk University Law School**  
J.D., *Cum laude*; 1990  
Class rank 11th of 300 (top 3%)

- Suffolk University Law Review  
Writer & Editor, 1988-90
- Awards  
Civil Procedure, Torts, 1988  
First Year Moot Court, 1988  
Business Associations, 1989

**University of Illinois - Chicago**  
B.A., *Political Science*; 1983

## **Select Publications and Reported Environmental Decisions**

- *Munce's Superior Petrol. Prods., Inc. v. Department of Env'tl. Servs.*, 736 F.3d 567 (1st Cir. 2013)
- *Department of Env'tl. Servs. v. Mottolo*, 155 N.H. 57 (2007)
- *Connecticut ex rel. Blumenthal v. Crotty*, 346 F.3d 84 (2d Cir. 2003)
- *Massachusetts ex rel. Div. of Marine Fisheries v. Gutierrez*, 594 F. Supp. 2d 127 (D. Mass. 2009)
- *Conservation Law Foundation v. Evans*, 211 F. Supp. 2d 55 (D.D.C. 2002)
- *In re Smith*, 325 B.R. 498 (Bankr. D.N.H. 2005)
- *Discretionary Function Sovereign Immunity for Environmental Regulation and Administration*, 42 NEW HAMPSHIRE BAR JOURNAL 20 (2001)
- *The Emerging Role of the Extractive Reserve in the Enforcement of Brazilian Deforestation Controls*, 2 COLO. J. INT'L ENVTL. LAW & POLICY 247 (1991)

## **Bars**

New Hampshire state and federal  
First Circuit Court of Appeals  
D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals