

RESOLUTION 2021-21
HIGHLANDS WATER PROTECTION AND PLANNING COUNCIL
APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF COUNSEL

WHEREAS, the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Act (Highlands Act) empowers the Highlands Water Protection and Planning Council (Highlands Council) to appoint, retain and employ personnel, including attorneys, as it may require without regard to the provisions of Title 11A of the New Jersey Statutes but within the limits of funds appropriated or otherwise made available for those purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Act authorizes the Highlands Council to conduct its business as needed, subject to the statute, to effectuate the purposes of the enabling legislation; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to II. Section 5.b. of the Highlands Council adopted bylaws, the Executive Director can recommend for approval by the Personnel Committee one candidate to fill management positions as identified in the organization chart; and

WHEREAS, the position of Chief Counsel is a management position as identified in the organization chart; and

WHEREAS, the Highlands Council posted the position of Chief Counsel and received resumes from several candidates; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director presented two finalists to the Personnel Committee to interview for the position of Chief Counsel; and

WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee conducted interviews with the two candidates and unanimously agreed to recommend one of the two candidates to be appointed as Chief Counsel and the Executive Director agrees with the Personnel Committee's recommendation; and

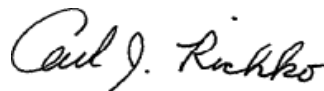
WHEREAS, the Personnel Committee and the Executive Director request affirmation of this recommendation by the full Highlands Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED

1. The Highlands Council hereby affirms the appointment by the Executive Director of Gabrielle Gallagher as Chief Counsel, at an annual basis of \$105,000.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by the Highlands Council at its meeting held on the 23rd day of September 2021.



Carl J. Richko, Chairman

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Vote on the Approval of The Resolution	Motion	Second	Yes	No	Abstain	Absent
Councilmember Alstede			√			
Councilmember Dougherty						√
Councilmember Dressler			√			
Councilmember Francis			√			
Councilmember Holtaway			√			
Councilmember James	√		√			
Councilmember Sebetich			√			
Councilmember Van Abs			√			
Councilmember Visioli		√	√			
Councilmember Vohden			√			
Chairman Richko			√			