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December 7, 2022

His Excellency, Governor Christopher T. Sununu  
And the Honorable Council  
State House  
Concord, New Hampshire 03301

Your Excellency and Members of the Council:

REQUESTED ACTION

That approval be and hereby is given to the Attorney General to appoint Ellen Bramwell, Position #9U582 (Appropriation #02-20-20-200510-2611-014-500134), as a Criminal Investigator at a salary level of \$74,386 (LG BB, Step 5) effective upon Governor and Executive Council approval, or December 30, 2022, whichever is later, through a term ending July 1, 2026.

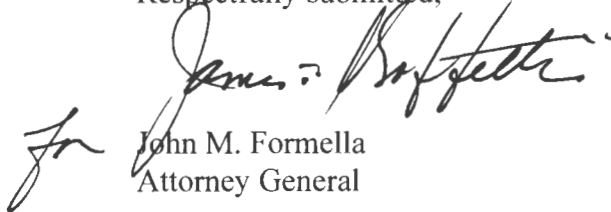
EXPLANATION

Ms. Bramwell, a Windham resident, earned a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Colorado State University in 1999. She joined the Colorado Springs Police Department in 2000 as a Patrol Officer. From 2012 to 2021 she was assigned to the Department's Investigations Bureau where she focused on financial crimes, serious assaults, and homicides. She assumed the duties of Patrol Sergeant in 2021, which role she performed until she retired from the Department earlier this year. Ms. Bramwell joined the New Hampshire Employment Security as an Investigator in its Unemployment Compensation Bureau in August 2022. She will be assigned to the Criminal Justice Bureau's Youth Development Center Prosecution Task Force. Given her years of experience and expertise, a salary of \$74,386 (LG BB, Step 5) is requested. Her resume is attached for your consideration.

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I am very pleased to offer Ms. Bramwell for this appointment and respectfully urge your favorable consideration. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John M. Formella". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

John M. Formella  
Attorney General

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# ELLEN BRAMWELL

## Education

**B.A. in Political Science**  
Colorado State University  
1999

## Key Skills

Supervision / Management  
Microsoft Office  
Data Analysis  
Written/Verbal Communication  
Problem Solving  
Led Cross-Functional Teams  
Teamwork/Collaboration  
Report Writing  
Interviewing Skills  
Case Management  
Decision Making  
Customer Service  
Public Speaking  
Community Outreach

## Achievements

- Bachelor's Degree in Political Science
- 21 year veteran of the Colorado Springs Police Department
- Subject Matter Expert in vulnerable adult/elder financial exploitation cases
- Seasoned investigator with advanced training in Interview and Interrogation Techniques, Crime Scene Processing, Identity Theft, Insurance Fraud, Forgery, Money Laundering, and Check/Credit Card Fraud
- Led cross-organizational work groups, which resulted in a higher number of successful prosecutions of Elder Exploitation and Identity Theft cases at the state and federal level
- Engaged with internal and external customers to identify areas of improvement and establish processes to improve group performance
- Created and presented fraud training to the public and law enforcement officers
- Member: Association of Certified Financial Crime Specialists

## Experience

08/2022 – present

**State of New Hampshire, Employment Security  
Investigator, Benefit Payment Control**

- Conduct investigations relating to suspected benefit payment fraud
- Question suspects, employers and witnesses relating to alleged violations and prepare evidential material for potential prosecution by the Attorney General's Office.
- Investigate data discrepancies and verify personal information provided by claimants and employers to prevent identity theft
- Prepare and present the Department's case of willful misrepresentation against a claimant before the Appeal Tribunal to ensure that all relevant evidence is made part of the record

05/2021 – 05/2022

**Colorado Springs Police Department  
Patrol Sergeant**

- Evaluate direct reports and coach officers in job performance areas
- Respond to calls for service, investigate offenses, and process evidence

## Awards

10 Commander Commendations  
Employee of the Month  
Special Recognition Award  
3 Certificates of Appreciation  
1 Life Saving Award

- Review offense, incident, intelligence, and traffic accident reports as well as warrant affidavits for accuracy, completeness and timeliness
- Provide guidance and direction consistent with department goals and objectives to include making field decisions regarding arrests, searches, and uses of force
- Conduct analysis of vehicle pursuits, uses of force, and weapons deployments
- Remain current on case law and pass on changes to subordinates
- Intake all allegations of misconduct, complete personnel investigations, and document performance of subordinates
- Participate in oral boards for entry level, promotions, and transfers
- Oversee / manage crimes scenes and major incidents

02/2012 – 05/2021

### **Colorado Springs Police Department Investigations (Financial Crimes and Serious Assault/Homicide)**

- Investigated complex financial crimes (elder financial exploitation/identity theft/forgery/money laundering/check fraud/credit card fraud)
- Led cross-organizational initiatives to develop policies, procedures, and training, resulting in a higher prosecution rate
- Analyzed financial/medical/court records to complete investigations
- Interviewed victims, witnesses, and suspects
- Presented affidavits to judges for search and arrest warrants as well as court orders for production of records
- Taught community members about fraud prevention
- Prepared written incident reports/summaries/spreadsheets; testified and presented evidence in court
- Lead investigator on homicide and serious assault cases
- Advisory witness for the prosecution on two homicide cases

08/2000 – 02/2012

### **Colorado Springs Police Department Patrol Officer**

- Investigated end-to-end criminal activity as required
- Conducted citizen contacts, crime prevention, victim assistance, and public education
- Responded to calls for service and investigated complaints
- Interviewed victims, witnesses, and suspects
- Addressed quality of life issues (traffic enforcement, criminal activity in high crime areas, domestic violence prevention)
- Prepared written incident reports; testified and presented evidence in court
- Mediated conflicts