



Wisconsin Ethics Commission

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Brian Bell Selected as Ethics Commission Administrator

MADISON, WI – The current Members of the Wisconsin Ethics Commission announced they have unanimously selected Brian Bell of Madison, Wisconsin to serve as the Administrator of the new Wisconsin Ethics Commission. Mr. Bell will begin work on July 25th, but plans to be in contact with Commission staff in the coming days to prepare for the transition. Mr. Bell currently serves as a Budget and Policy Analyst for the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services.

The Commissioners voted to hire Mr. Bell at a meeting Monday. “After reviews of many resumes and interviews with three highly qualified candidates, the Commission reached consensus to appoint Brian Bell as Administrator,” said Ethics Commission Chairperson Peg Lautenschlager.

“Mr. Bell has solid qualifications to serve as Administrator,” said Chairperson Lautenschlager. “Moreover he has a lifelong commitment to public service that has guided his actions in his roles in state government and the military.”

“I am honored to be selected for this position and for the opportunity to serve the State of Wisconsin,” Bell said. “I am grateful for the Commissioners confidence in my capabilities, and I am excited to serve with them in carrying out the Commission’s responsibilities.”

Brian Bell will serve a 4-year term. His appointment is subject to confirmation by the State Senate. His initial salary will be \$92,500.

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The Wisconsin Ethics Commission is responsible for administration and enforcement of ethics, lobbying and campaign finance laws in Wisconsin. The Commission is made up of six Commissioners – four appointed directly by the State Senate Majority Leader, Speaker of the Assembly and the Minority Leaders in the State Senate and Assembly. The remaining two Commissioners are appointed by Governor Walker with confirmation by the State Senate from lists of former judges submitted by the legislative leadership in each party.

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