

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Relay Missouri                     )  
Advisory Committee's Appointment                 )     TO-2017-\_\_\_\_\_  
of New Board Members                                 )

**MOTION TO EXTEND MEMBERS' TERMS AND TO APPOINT CHAIR**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, by and through counsel, and for its *Motion to Extend Members' Terms and to Appoint Chair* in this matter hereby states:

1.     The Relay Missouri Advisory Committee was created by this Commission to assist in providing effective dual party relay services in Missouri. It has fourteen members, six permanent and 8 term-limited.

2.     The bylaws of the Committee outline which members hold permanent positions and which members hold term-limited positions. Members serve three year terms. Upon the expiration of a member's tenure, they may request to serve another term, up to three terms total. New members are appointed by the Commission, and term extensions approved. The members also vote to have one member serve as chair of the Committee for that individual's tenure.

3.     The Committee presently has three members seeking approval to extend their terms and one member seeking approval as Chair. The Committee has discussed and voted their approval to appoint a new chair and extend the terms of the three members. Therefore, the Committee requests that the Commission approve to extend the terms of members Claire Mengwasser for the speech pathologies/audiologist position, Ernest E. Garrett III for the deaf community position and Dr. Stephanie Logan

for the late-deafened community position. The Committee also asks that the Commission approve the appointment of April Mason Donovan as the new Chair of the Committee, for her tenure.

**WHEREFORE**, Staff recommends that the Commission approve Claire Mengwasser, Ernest E. Garrett III and Dr. Stephanie Logan to serve additional three-year terms and April Mason Donovan to serve as Chair of the Relay Missouri Advisory Committee; and grant such other and further relief as the Commission considers just in the circumstances.

**/s/ Whitney Payne**

Whitney Payne  
Associate Counsel  
Missouri Bar No. 64078  
Attorney for the Staff of the  
Missouri Public Service Commission  
P. O. Box 360  
Jefferson City, MO 65102  
(573) 751-8706 (Telephone)  
(573) 751-9285 (Fax)  
[whitney.payne@psc.mo.gov](mailto:whitney.payne@psc.mo.gov)

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by electronic mail, or First Class United States Postal Mail, postage prepaid, on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May, 2017, to all counsel of record.

**/s/Whitney Payne**