

County of Kenosha

Board of Supervisors

Resolution No. ____

Subject: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE APPOINTMENT OF JOSEPH M. CARDAMONE III AS CORPORATION COUNSEL			
Original <u>X</u>	Corrected ____	2 nd Correction ____	Resubmitted ____
Date Submitted: 7/7/15			
Date resubmitted: ____			
Submitted by: Executive Committee			
Fiscal Note Attached: ____			
Legal Note Attached: ____			
Prepared By: Executive Committee			

WHEREAS, Pursuant to County Executive Appointment 2015/16-5 the County Executive has appointed Joseph M. Cardamone III to the position of Corporation Counsel; and

WHEREAS, The Executive Committee has reviewed the County Executive's request for review and approval of his appointment of the above-names to serve in this position and is recommending to the County Board the approval of this appointment;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the Kenosha County Board of Supervisors approves the appointment of Joseph M. Cardamone III to the position of Corporation Counsel, effective immediately upon passage of this resolution.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE	<u>Aye</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Excused</u>
_____ Edward Kubicki, Chairman	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____ Kimberly Breunig, Vice-Chairman	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____ Terry Rose	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____ Dayvin Hallmon	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____ Daniel Esposito	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____ Douglas Noble	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
_____ Dennis Elverman	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



COUNTY OF KENOSHA

COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Jim Kreuser, County Executive

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APPOINTMENT 2015/16-5

RE: APPOINTMENT OF CORPORATION COUNSEL

TO THE HONORABLE KENOSHA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

Placing special trust in his judgment and based upon his qualifications, I hereby submit to the Honorable Kenosha County Board of Supervisors for its review and confirmation the name of:

Joseph M. Cardamone III
7408 36th Avenue
Kenosha, WI 53142

to serve as Corporation Counsel for Kenosha County.

Mr. Cardamone has held the position of First Assistant with the Kenosha County Corporation Counsel's office since September 1, 2012. Prior to being promoted to First Assistant, Mr. Cardamone held the position of Senior Assistant, beginning on February 25, 2009. Mr. Cardamone will receive \$91,276 as an annual salary.

Respectfully submitted this 12th day of June, 2015.

Jim Kreuser
Kenosha County Executive

JOSEPH M. CARDAMONE III
7408 36th Avenue
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(262) 925-8020

LEGAL EXPERIENCE

CORPORATION COUNSEL OFFICE, COUNTY OF KENOSHA

First Assistant Corporation Counsel, 2012 – Present

- Legal Counsel for County Executive, various County Departments/Divisions and Heads, and various elected officials
- Legal Counsel for Board of Supervisors; including advice on state and federal legislation, drafting county resolutions and ordinances, guidance on ethical considerations
- Parliamentarian for County Board Meetings
- Legal Counsel for Personnel Department; including representing the County in hearings on unemployment compensation, grievances, and prohibited practice matters
- Attorney for County real estate transactions

Senior Assistant Corporation Counsel, 2009 – 2012

- Lead Attorney for Guardianship, Protective Placement, and Mental Commitment proceedings
- Lead Attorney for Decennial Redistricting; including serving as advisor to the County Board Redistricting Committee and as architect of successful litigation strategy

Assistant Corporation Counsel, 2008 – 2009

- Contracted to handle Guardianship, Protective Placement, and Mental Commitment proceedings

JOSEPH M. CARDAMONE III, ATTORNEY AT LAW, LLC, Salem, Wisconsin

Solo private practitioner, 2005 – 2008

- Handled defense of felony, misdemeanor and traffic matters, both on a private retainer basis and accepting appointments from the Circuit Court and Public Defender's office

GAGLIARDI, O'BRIEN, BRADEN, OLSON and CAPELLI, Paddock Lake, Wisconsin

Associate, 2000 – 2005

- General Practice, including criminal defense, civil litigation, and small claims
- Lead appellate attorney
- Lead collections attorney

OFFICE OF THE KENOSHA COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Assistant District Attorney, 1999 – 2000

- Responsible for one half of a branch of criminal court
- Prosecuted felony, misdemeanor, and traffic matters from charging to sentencing
- Drafted criminal complaints and motions

EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin Law School – J.D. with Honors, December 1998

Carleton College – B.A. in Political Science, May 1994

MEMBERSHIPS/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

State Bar of Wisconsin

- Board of Governors and Executive Committee member
- Young Lawyers Division, Past President
- Government Lawyers Division, Board of Directors
- Various Committees, including Leadership Development, Continuing Legal Education, and Strategic Planning

Federal District Courts

- Admitted to practice in Eastern and Western Districts of Wisconsin

Wisconsin Law Foundation

- Fellow
- Board of Directors

Kenosha Bar Association

- Member and Past President

Kenosha Rotary Club

- Member and Board Member

Lakeside Players

- Actor/Director, Volunteer, and former Vice-President

Teaching

- Kenosha Bar Association CLE Presenter on Mental Commitments and Guardianships
- University of Wisconsin Law School – Lawyering Skills Program, guest faculty