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STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

ADM09-8001

In re Appointment of Judges Under Minn. Stat. § 209.045 for Election Contest Titled:

In the Matter of the Contest of General Election Held On November 4, 2008 for the Purpose of Electing a United States Senator from the State of Minnesota, Ramsey County District Court File No. 62-CV-09-56

ORDER

A notice of contest has been filed in Ramsey County District Court under Minn. Stat. § 209.021 (2008) regarding the November 4, 2008 election for United States Senator. Because this was an election regarding a statewide office, Minn. Stat. § 290.045 (2008) requires that the contest be heard and determined in Ramsey County District Court by three judges assigned by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

Based upon all the files, records and proceedings herein,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Honorable Elizabeth A. Hayden, Judge of the Seventh Judicial District, the Honorable Kurt J. Marben, Judge of the Ninth Judicial District, and the Honorable Denise D. Reilly, Judge of the Fourth Judicial District, be, and the same are, assigned to hear and determine the above-entitled election contest pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 209.045 (2008).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Ramsey County District Court shall provide the appointed judges with such courtroom, administrative, and logistical resources as are necessary for the efficient and expeditious processing of this election contest, with supplementation by State Court Administration if needed.

Dated: January 12, 2009

BY THE COURT:

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Alan C. Page/ Associate Justice

MAGNUSON, C.J., and ANDERSON, G. BARRY, J., took no part in the consideration or decision of this matter.