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STATE OF MINNESOTA IN SUPREME COURT (formation C9-85-1506) ADM/0-8017

<u>ORDER</u>

In Re Judicial Vacancy and Rechambering Eighth Judicial District

WHEREAS, Minnesota Statute 2.722, subdivision 4, requires the Supreme Court to determine whether a judicial office is necessary for effective judicial administration or for adequate access to the courts upon the death, resignation, retirement, or removal of a district judge from office; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Peter A. Hoff retired on January 31, 2011; and

WHEREAS, the judges of the Eighth Judicial District have proposed a rechambering plan; and

WHEREAS, the Weighted Caseload Study delineation of judicial need indicates the need for this judgeship in the Northern Assignment Area; and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court has considered the weighted caseload information regarding the relative judicial needs of the Eighth Judicial District and the rechambering request of the Eighth Judicial District judges;

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The vacancy created by the Honorable Peter A. Hoff's retirement be and hereby is certified to the Governor as necessary for effective judicial administration and adequate access to the courts.
- 2. The judge appointed to fill this vacancy shall be chambered in the Northern Assignment Area of the Eighth Judicial District which includes the counties of Big Stone, Grant, Pope, Stevens, Traverse, and Wilkin.
- 3. Where a judge is officially chambered in more than one county, the chambers closest to the residence f the judge shall be used as the location from which mileage is calculated for purposes of reimbursement.

Dated March **7**, 2011

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Lorie S. Gildea Chief Justice