

WISCONSIN STATE  
LEGISLATURE  
COMMITTEE HEARING  
RECORDS

1997-98

(session year)

Senate

(Assembly, Senate or joint)

Committee on  
Education  
(SC-Ed)

File Naming Example:

Record of Comm. Proceedings ... RCP

- 05hr\_AC-Ed\_RCP\_pt01a
- 05hr\_AC-Ed\_RCP\_pt01b
- 05hr\_AC-Ed\_RCP\_pt02

NOTICES ...

- Committee Hearings ... CH (Public Hearing Announcements)
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- Executive Sessions ... ES
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- Committee Reports ... CR
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- Record of Comm. Proceedings ... RCP
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INFORMATION COLLECTED BY COMMITTEE  
CLERK FOR AND AGAINST PROPOSAL

- Appointments ... Appt
- **97hr\_SC-Ed\_Appt\_pt03b**

Name: Joanne Brandes

- Clearinghouse Rules ... CRule
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- Hearing Records ... HR (bills and resolutions)
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- Miscellaneous ... Misc
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**JoANNE BRANDES**  
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**EMPLOYMENT &  
DIRECTORSHIPS:**

Current: Vice President, General Counsel - Worldwide Professional with S. C. Johnson & Son, Inc., Racine, Wisconsin, October, 1996 to present. Responsibilities include all legal matters involving SC Johnson Professional and SC Johnson Polymer and over 40 international and domestic subsidiaries. This includes litigation, mergers and acquisitions, trademarks and patents and employee relations issues. Also responsible for worldwide employee and external communications and public relations.

Prior Position: Vice President - Corporate Communications Worldwide with S. C. Johnson & Son, Inc., Racine, Wisconsin, and its 50 international subsidiaries, May, 1992 to October, 1996. Responsibilities included corporate public affairs, media communications, corporate advertising, corporate identification, employee communications, internal and external publications, corporate charitable giving, community relations and corporate diversity.

Senior Counsel, S. C. Johnson & Son, Inc., 1981-1992. Responsible for legal matters including general corporate, contract and employee relations and litigation.

Attorney, law firm of Herz, Levin, Teper, Chernof & Sumner, S.C., Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 1978-1981, Law practice focused primarily on commercial litigation, real estate, banking and general corporate work including securities, corporate formation and acquisition.

Director, Alternative Resources Corporation (a publicly held corporation) headquartered in Chicago, August, 1994 -present.

Director, CorporateFamily Solutions, Nashville, Tennessee, 1996-present.

Director, St. Luke's Medical Center, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 1995-present.

**EDUCATION:**

Graduated from Willamette University College of Law, Salem, Oregon in May, 1978, with Doctorate of Jurisprudence degree. Comment editor, Law Journal.

Graduated from University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire in May, 1975; B.A. degree in Journalism and Political Science GPA 3.85).

**HONORS  
AND  
AWARDS:**

Recipient, 1995 University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Alumni Distinguished Service Award; Named *Working Mother Magazine's* 1994 "Working Mother of the Year"; Recipient, 1994 YWCA's Women of Distinction Award for Business & Industry; Recipient, 1993 Milwaukee Sacajawea Award; Recipient, 1991 UW-Parkside Focus on Women Award; 1991 Recipient of H. F. Johnson Community Service Award; Named State of Wisconsin Outstanding Young Career Woman 1984-85 by the Wisconsin Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.

**CURRENT  
COMMUNITY  
ACTIVITIES:**

Member, Wisconsin Sesquicentennial Commission; Member, Board of Directors of Forward Wisconsin, Inc.; Member, Governor's Commission on the Glass Ceiling and Commission Chairperson, Education and Outreach; Pchairperson, Wisconsin Child Care Council; Past President, Board of Directors of Racine Area United Way; Member, Board of Directors of the National Child Care Action Campaign; Member, Franklin Education Foundation; Speaker to various business groups nationally regarding legal ethics and issues affecting employment, diversity, and corporate work/family programs.

**PAST  
COMMUNITY  
ACTIVITIES:**

Member, Association of Funding Organizations; Member, Alverno College Board of Trustees; Member, Franklin Library Foundation; Member, Board of Directors of Racine Area Child Care Resource and Referral; Member, Search Committee for Franklin Superintendent of Schools; Founding member and officer, Franklin 2000, Inc., a community foundation; Treasurer and member, Board of Directors of Racine Family Planning; Member, Franklin Economic Development Commission; Past President and member, Board of Advisors of Catholic Social Services and Program Services Committee; Member, Board of Directors of Racine CSS Child Care, Inc.; Member, Board of Directors of All Saints Visiting Nurses, Inc.; Member Board of Directors of Faith Development program to create a Racine inner city child development center; Member, Greater Milwaukee Corporate Work/Family Committee; UW-Eau Claire Chancellor's Advisory Council.

**PROFESSIONAL  
MEMBERSHIPS:**

State Bar of Wisconsin; American Bar Association: Professional Dimensions.

**PERSONAL DATA:**

Married to Fred Klimetz, Attorney and Mayor of Franklin, Wisconsin; daughter, Julianne; son, Adrian.