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Ruth Johnson

(FORM UPDATED: 08/11/2010)

## WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE ... PUBLIC HEARING - COMMITTEE RECORDS

### 2007-08

(session year)

### Senate

(Assembly, Senate or Joint)

### Committee on ... Environment and Natural Resources (SC-ENR)

#### COMMITTEE NOTICES ...

- Committee Reports ... **CR**
- Executive Sessions ... **ES**
- Public Hearings ... **PH**

#### INFORMATION COLLECTED BY COMMITTEE FOR AND AGAINST PROPOSAL

- Appointments ... **Appt** (w/Record of Comm. Proceedings)
- Clearinghouse Rules ... **CRule** (w/Record of Comm. Proceedings)
- Hearing Records ... **HR** ... **bills and resolutions** (w/Record of Comm. Proceedings)
  - (**ab** = Assembly Bill)                      (**ar** = Assembly Resolution)                      (**ajr** = Assembly Joint Resolution)
  - (**sb** = Senate Bill)                              (**sr** = Senate Resolution)                              (**sjr** = Senate Joint Resolution)
- Miscellaneous ... **Misc**

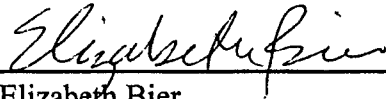
\* Contents organized for archiving by: Mike Barman (LRB) (August 2012)

June-2014



Noes: (0) None.

CONFIRMATION RECOMMENDED, Ayes 5, Noes 0

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Elizabeth Bier  
Committee Clerk

**Vote Record**

**Committee on Environment and Natural Resources**

Date: 2/13/07

Bill Number: Ruth Johnson

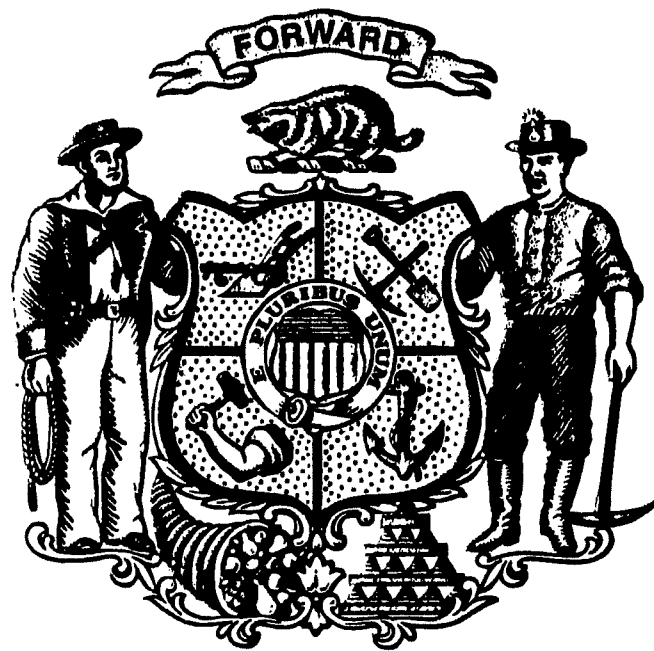
Moved by: Wirch Seconded by: Schultz

Motion: Recommendation for confirmation

<u>Committee Member</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Absent</u>	<u>Not Voting</u>
Senator Mark Miller, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Robert Jauch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Robert Wirch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Neal Kedzie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Senator Dale Schultz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Totals:	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>    </u>	<u>    </u>

Motion Carried

Motion Failed



RUTH G. JOHNSON  
802 Blue Ridge Parkway  
Madison, WI, 53705  
(608)238-0019

(A Personal Resume)

4/17/06

*Education*

Washington University – Occupational Therapy Major

*(Not registered)*

Specialty short courses taken later – more psychology, psychiatry, computing courses

Additional courses – French, art, public speaking, parliamentary procedure

Non-academic courses – Garden Club flower judging courses, piano lessons

Travel – I have traveled extensively in the United States and throughout the world. This has been very educational for me.

*Working Experience*

Worked in a Madison accounting office for a short period of time.

Worked at Boston Psychopathic Hospital (it is now part of Massachusetts General Hospital) in Department of Occupational Therapy, working with experimental programs along with Harvard University personnel.

Downey Veterans Hospital – Occupational Therapy ward supervisor and head of a clinic.

Playground supervisor – (as a young person)

Camp counselor (as a young person)

*Volunteer Experience*

Have served on four state commissions – Bicentennial of U.S. Commission; Highway Safety Commission; Engineers, Architects, Landscape Architects, Designers and Surveyors commission and Geology, Hydrology and Soil Sciences

President of University League, UW Madison (900 members) – 1996-1997

Volunteer Election Official

Red Cross volunteer leader (award received)

P.T.A. activities throughout the years of my children's early education (including Cultural Arts Chair of the Middleton school system)

President of Middleton-Cross Plains Garden Club (won many awards, including "highest award of the show" receiving a tri-color award; also involved with garden therapy for nursing home residents.

Legislative Chair for environmental causes, WI Federation of Garden Clubs, Madison District Garden Clubs and the Middleton Garden Club (at different times)

President of "Pentagon Club" – University of WI engineering wives and female engineering association

Publicity Chair and Program Chair (four times), of UW Madison University League. In these positions, I organized and published at two different times, a 16 page tabloid newspaper for which I sold advertising – with my volunteers (WI State Journal printed this at zero cost for me). This was in conjunction with my planning, managing and presenting a REAL LIVE CIRCUS at the UW Madison stock pavilion. This production raised many thousands of dollars for student scholarships. I used dozens of volunteers (including professors and other UW personnel) for this project. I had all kinds of live animals and free performers from around the state to add to the performance and the Circus World Museum loaned me many things including a clown, huge canvas hangings, a circus ring and a calliope and a musician to play the calliope. Mike Leckrone, the UW band director provided the live music for the circus.

Heart Fund Drive Chair – Middleton

Publicity Chair of Homecrafters Association – (craft outlet for disabled people)

Occasionally appear at "hearings", local city or state - for or against various causes. My most common cause is an environmental one.

Chair of the Appalachian Ridge Neighborhood Association from 1981 to present

Chair of University League Finance and Investment Interest Group (now disbanded)

*Civic and Club Associations*

Middleton Garden Club

Olbrich Garden Club

University League

Friends of Arboretum

Nature Conservancy

Madison Civics Club

Sustaining Member of Junior League of America

League of Women Voters (former member)

### *Public Speaker*

Give talks on "The Environmental Dilemma and The Law" (emphasizing groundwater); "How and Why You Should Be Involved, in Civic Matters, in Making Our Democracy Work"; "How Bills Become Laws" and other selected subjects. These talks have been given to grade school and high school students, to garden clubs and other groups occasionally. I give talks to groups regularly when I am chair or president of an organization. / I have also done much writing for newsletters etc.

### *Personal*

Husband - Millard W. Johnson (emeritus professor of Mathematics and Engineering Physics, UW Madison)

Four children -

Millard W. Johnson III - Certified Public Accountant, President of Johnson Block, Inc.

Jeannette Johnson Brooks - Neurological nurse

Charles G. Johnson - Engineer and co- founder of Opennet Core engineering

Peter A. Johnson - musician

Seven grandchildren

### *Other Interests and Activities*

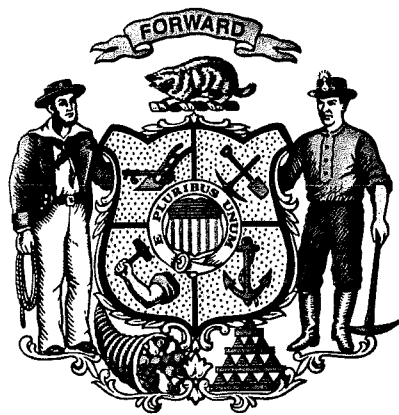
Skiing, hiking golfing (when I have time), canoeing, camping, computing, love to work on art projects, gardening, prolific reader, bridge, study French (when I have time), took a few piano lessons (loved it and wish that I had had music as a kid). I fish every day when we are at our Canadian cabins and I'm a very good fisherman.

We own and maintain five log cabins, just for the family, back in the Canadian bush country. Our family built four of the cabins and part of the furniture in these cabins, starting from cutting the trees down and peeling the logs. That is a REAL experience, living and surviving in the Canadian wilderness with no roads, T.V. or communication. We fly back to our island (Johnson Island) in a pontoon bush plane. I was a licensed Canadian prospector.

### *Just a Comment*

The above indicates a lot of personal activity. In order to do it all, I have an office in my home and do most of my work there. I am highly organized, decide what the important things to do are and I use a lot of volunteers. Also with good planning and preparation, the projects usually end with satisfactory results - and the process can be very enjoyable. *For more information, an extended and even more detailed resume will be provided upon request.*







**JIM DOYLE**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN**

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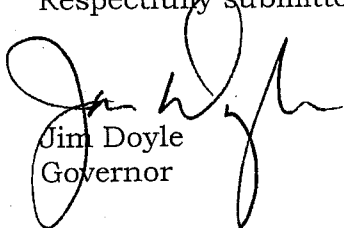
September 1, 2006

To the Honorable, the Senate:

I am pleased to nominate and with the advice and consent of the Senate, do reappoint Ruth Johnson to be a Public Member - Hydrologist Section on the Examining Board of Professional Geologists, Hydrologists and Soil Scientists to serve a term expiring July 1, 2010.

Mrs. Johnson will be available to the Senate for hearings and my staff will assist in any way they can.

Respectfully submitted,



Jim Doyle  
Governor



**JIM DOYLE**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN**

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September 1, 2006

Mrs. Ruth G. Johnson  
802 Blue Ridge Parkway  
Madison, Wisconsin 53705

Dear Mrs. Johnson:

I am pleased to reappoint you to the Examining Board of Professional Geologists, Hydrologists and Soil Scientists, effective September 1, 2006. Your experience, knowledge, and dedication continue to be a true asset to my administration and a great benefit to the people of Wisconsin.

I look forward to working with you to find creative ways of delivering services and implementing positive change for the citizens of our state.

Sincerely,

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Jim Doyle  
Governor



**JIM DOYLE**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF WISCONSIN**

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GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT

**NAME:** Ruth Johnson

**MAILING ADDRESS:** 802 Blue Ridge Parkway  
Madison, WI 53705

**E-MAIL ADDRESS:** snowboundgif@aol.com

**RESIDES IN:** Madison, WI

**TELEPHONE:** (608) 238-0019 (h)

**OCCUPATION:** Retired

**APPOINTED TO:** Examining Board of Professional Geologists,  
Hydrologists and Soil Scientists  
Public Member

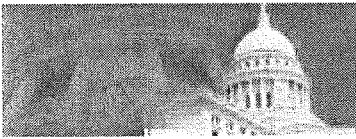
**TERM:** A term to expire July 1, 2010

**SUCCEEDS:** Self

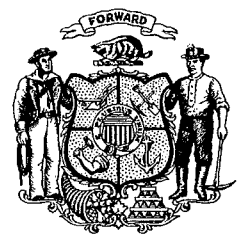
**SENATE CONFIRMATION:** Yes

**DATE OF APPOINTMENT:** September 1, 2006

**DATE OF NOMINATION:** September 1, 2006



# WISCONSIN STATE LEGISLATURE





STATE OF WISCONSIN  
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Roth Judd  
Director

Senate Committee Members:

The attached Statement of Economic Interests is provided with regard to the individual's nomination to a State Public Office by Governor Jim Doyle.

Sincerely,  
STATE OF WISCONSIN ETHICS BOARD

Nominee: Ruth Johnson  
Date: September 7, 2006

# Statement of Economic Interests

Filed in 2006 for calendar year 2005 by

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**Ruth G. Johnson**

Professional Geologists, Hydrologists & Soil Scientists, Examining Board of  
Member-

FOR EXPLANATIONS, EXAMPLES AND EXCEPTIONS SEE THE INSTRUCTIONS OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT <http://ethics.state.wi.us>  
Still have questions? For priority service send an e-mail to: [ethics@ethics.state.wi.us](mailto:ethics@ethics.state.wi.us); otherwise leave a detailed message at (608) 266-8115.  
ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAGES AS NEEDED

## Part A

**As of December 31, 2005**

**1. INVESTMENTS. List stocks, bonds, limited partnerships, Wisconsin governmental securities, and mutual and money market funds you or your family held (minimum \$5,000).**

Stocks/options/futures	"✓" one	
	\$50,000 or less	More than \$50,000
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<b>Bonds</b>		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Limited partnerships</b>		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Wisconsin governmental securities</b>		
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Mutual or money market funds</b>		
Scudder Money Market	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vanguard Money Market	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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**2. BUSINESS ACTIVITIES. List businesses, farms, rental, commercial, and income-producing real estate; and business activities in which you or your family had at least a 10% or greater interest.**

a) Enterprise(s) operating under a business or trade name, list here.

Name of business	Municipality or Town	County	State	Describe nature of business

b) Enterprise(s) NOT operating under a business or trade name, list here.

Street address or fire number	Municipality or town	County	State	Describe nature of business

**3. COMMERCIAL CUSTOMERS, CLIENTS, AND TENANTS. For each unincorporated business, subchapter S corporation, service corporation (SC), limited liability company (LLC), partnership, or income-producing real estate reported in Item 2, list businesses, organizations, and lobbyists that paid the enterprise \$1,000 or more in calendar year 2005.**

Businesses, organizations, lobbyists that were customers, clients, or tenants	City	State

4. **BUSINESS PARTNERS.** For each enterprise reported under Item 2, list its co-owners, partners, officers, and directors (other than yourself), unless the information is already registered with the Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions.

Business	Partners, or officers and directors	City	State

5. **NON-COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE.** List the specific location of WISCONSIN REAL ESTATE in which you or your family had an interest (except your principal residence and real estate whose location you listed in item 2).

Location of property	Municipality or town	County	Nature of interest (e.g., own, lease, option, easement, land contract)
Street address or fire number			
Washington Island Lot	Door	Door	Land owner

6. **OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS.** List organizations of which you or a family member were an officer or director.

Business or organization	City	State	Position
Republican Party 2nd Congressional Dist	Madison	WI	Treasurer

7. **AGENT, REPRESENTATIVE OR SPOKESPERSON.** List organizations that authorized you or a family member to represent them in their dealings with others as an attorney-at-law, agent, spokesperson, or representative (unless listed in item 6 or 9).

Business or organization	City	State

8. **CREDITORS.** List creditors to which you or your family owed \$5,000 or more.

Creditor	City	State	"✓" one	
			\$50,000 or less	More than \$50,000
Washington Mutual Insurance	Milwaukee	WI	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
			<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Part B**

For calendar year 2005

9. **EMPLOYERS.** List your and your family's EMPLOYERS (\$1,000 or more of income) in 2005.

Name of employer (If State of Wisconsin, also identify agency or institution)	City	State	Nature of employer's business

10. **ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF INCOME.** List other sources from which you or your family received income of \$1,000 or more in 2005.

Source of income	City	State
Pension	Madison	WI
Social Security Administration	Madison	WI



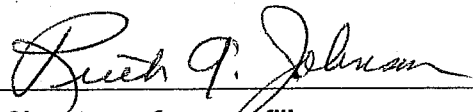
**11. ENTERTAINMENT AND GIFTS.** List individuals and organizations that provided you with entertainment or gifts (more than \$50) in 2005.

Name of provider	City	State

**12. HONORARIA AND EXPENSES.** List, for 2005, sources of honoraria and payment of expenses related to your state government duties (more than \$50).

Payer	Approximate value of expenses	Amount of honorarium	Circumstances of receipt

I have read the accompanying instructions and certify that the information contained in this Statement of Economic Interests is true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief. If any part has been left blank, I have done so intentionally because there is nothing to report.



Signature of person filing

Daytime phone # (608) 238-0019

3/21/06

Date

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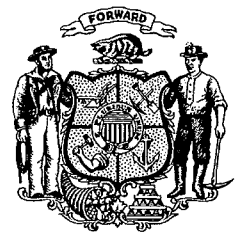
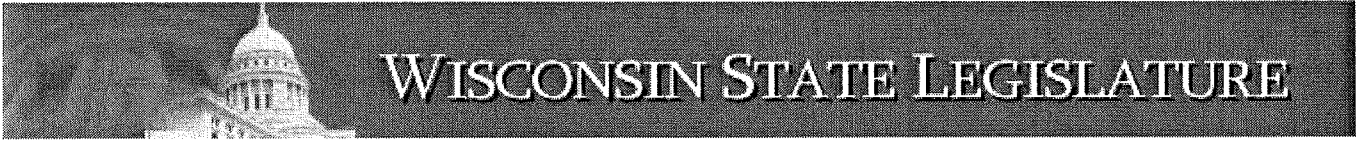
The information sought in this form is required by §§19.43 and 19.44, *Wisconsin Statutes*. Failure to file a completed form may result in a forfeiture of up to \$500. Statements of Economic Interests are open for public inspection. The Ethics Board will notify you of the identity of any person who examines your Statement. In accordance with §15.04(1)(m), *Wisconsin Statutes*, the Ethics Board states that no personally identifiable information is likely to be used for purposes other than those for which it is collected.

Mail or fax to: Wisconsin Ethics Board, 44 E. Mifflin St., Suite 601, Madison, WI 53703-2800; Fax: (608) 264-9319

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**Ethics Board's comments about the Statement you filed last year to help you complete this one.**

- No Comments





Ruth G. Johnson • 802 Blue Ridge Pky. • Madison, WI 53705 • 608-238-0019

*To: Senator Mark Miller, Chairperson  
Committee on Environment and Natural Resources*

*Dear Senator Miller,*

*My name is Ruth G. Johnson and I have been re-nominated by Governor Doyle to the Examining Board of Professional Geologists, Hydrologists and Soil Scientists as a Public Member. My section is Hydrology.*

*I will be appearing at 10: am on Tuesday, February 13, 2007, before the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, which is chaired by Senator Mark Miller.*

*You have my resume, so I will not repeat anything that is in it. The reason that I feel that I am beneficial to the Board is that I have an extensive resume involving environmental matters and I continue to learn and study about this issue.*

*What is more important than air and water for our existence? There are many water problems worldwide and the Hydrologists, with their very important expertise, are critical in helping to make sure that we have enough usable water for whatever purpose.*

*I will be willing to answer any questions at the Hearing that you desire to ask.*

*Also, I would ask that you please contact other Senate Members to support my nomination.*

*Most Sincerely,*

*Ruth G. Johnson*  
Ruth G. Johnson

*P.S. This is a letter that I have sent to all committee members.*