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Governor Doyle Appoints Roger LeGrand as Tax Appeals Commissioner

MADISON – Governor Jim Doyle announced today the appointment of Roger LeGrand as Tax Appeals Commissioner. The three-member Tax Appeals Commission is an independent agency that hears and decides disputes between persons or entities and the Department of Revenue involving all major, state-imposed taxes. LeGrand will begin serving on April 14, 2008 and will serve a term ending March 1, 2009.

"Roger LeGrand is a well-respected member of the legal community and will be a true asset to the Commission," Governor Doyle said. "Roger has been a great public servant throughout his career, and I am pleased he will continue to serve the residents of Wisconsin in this new role."

"I'm pleased to have the opportunity to serve the citizens of Wisconsin again," LeGrand said. "I look forward to deciding disputes fairly, impartially, and under the rule of law."

Roger LeGrand was La Crosse County Circuit Court Branch 3 Judge from 2006-2007. Before he served on the bench, LeGrand was the Family Court Commissioner of La Crosse County since 1992. He served as the La Crosse County District Attorney and has served on the La Crosse City Council, La Crosse School Board, and the La Crosse Park Board. LeGrand also serves as Chairman of the Board of the La Crosse Community Foundation, the La Crosse International Committee, the Downtown Rotary Club, and New Horizons Shelter. LeGrand has received the Domestic Abuse Task Force Award, State Bar of Wisconsin Education Attorney of the Year Award, and the Hmong Mutual Assistance Association Certificate of Recognition. He attended St. Louis University for his undergraduate degree and then returned to the University of Wisconsin Law School to receive his Juris Doctorate. Roger and his wife, Sondra, live in La Crosse and have two children.