



November 8, 2019

The term of our current Superintendent of Insurance, John Franchini, expires on December 3, 2019. The term of office is four years.

The Superintendent is selected by a Nominating Committee whose members are chosen by the Governor and by the New Mexico House and Senate. Those eight members then select a chairperson who becomes the ninth member of the Committee. The Nominating Committee met on Monday, November 4, to select a chairperson and set the schedule for interviews of applicants. NMLTA had representatives present at this meeting.

The newly selected Chair of the Committee is Diane Denish, the former Lieutenant Governor. She has scheduled interviews with all of the applicants on November 16th at the State Bar office in Albuquerque. There are eleven applicants for the position and all but one are listed on the interview schedule below.

Interview Schedule	
Time	Name
9:00 AM	Baca, Roberta
9:30 AM	Causer, Laura
10:00 AM	
10:30 AM	Doucette, Robert
11:00 AM	Fierro, Joel
11:30 AM	Franchini, John
1:00 PM	Goodman, Justin
1:30 PM	Hall, Denise
2:00 PM	Lopez, Quinn
2:30 PM	Seaton, R. Foster
3:00 PM	Toal, Russell

The applicants include the current Superintendent, senior department of insurance employees, lawyers who specialize in insurance malpractice, insurance agents, actuaries and insurance professionals in other states.

The November 16 meeting is supposed to be open to the public and NMLTA will try to have representatives present to observe. At this point the NMLTA does not intend to make any comment

on the applicants. We do not yet know exactly when the Nominating Committee will make its selection, though it may be at another meeting convened on Sunday, November 17.

If you have any insight into any of the applicants, please provide your comments to the NMLTA for consideration.

Thank you.