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Re: *Donice Noelle Smith v. Christine Kotek, SC No. S071902*

To whom it may concern:

I, **Theresa Hamilton**, am a citizen of Oregon with express interest in representation from Oregon Governor's office. I understand the burden of proof is on Christine Kotek; see *State ex rel. Brewster v. Ostrander*, 212 Or. 17, 318 P.2d 283 (1957) (Burden of proof for oust and induction considered separately, burden of proof shifts to [Respondent] for oust, burden of proof on [Petitioner] for oust is of nominal public interest.).

I hereby instruct this court to conclusively resolve all legal issues of first impression; see e.g. *State v. Johnson*, 329 Or. App. 57, 63, 540 P3d 73 (2023) ("To conclusively resolve this legal issue of first impression, we would have to engage in an in-depth analysis of statutory text, context, and legislative history...")

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