### COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF CORINTH WATER	)
DISTRICT AND INDIVIDUAL	)
COMMISSIONERS FOR AN EXTENSION OF	)
TIME TO COMPLETE REQUIRED WATER	)
DISTRICT MANAGEMENT TRAINING	)
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CASE NO. 2024-00094

### **APPLICATION**

Pursuant to KRS 74.020(9), Corinth Water District, and individual commissioner, Ashley Lauderman, by counsel, hereby submits this Application for an Enlargement or Extension of KRS 74.020(6) authorizing a less than six-month extension of time, until June 30, 2024, for Commissioner Lauderman to complete required water district training required for commissioners pursuant to KRS 74.020(6) to qualify for more than \$3,600.00 in salary for the calendar year ending December 31, 2023. In support of this Application, the parties state as follows:

1. The full name and address of Corinth Water District is, 215 Thomas Lane, P.O. Box 218, Corinth KY 41010.

2. Commissioner Lauderman's full name and address is: Ashley Lauderman, 2540

Stringtown Rd., Corinth, KY 41010.

3. Copies of all orders, pleadings, and other communications related to this proceeding should be directed to:

Derek Miles Attorney for Corinth Water District DBL LAW 321 W. Main Street Suite 2100 Louisville, KY 40202 4. Corinth Water District is not a corporation, limited liability company, or limited partnership. It has no articles of incorporation or partnership agreements.

5. Corinth Water District is a water district created pursuant to KRS Chapter 74.

 KRS 365.015 does not require Corinth Water District to file a Certificate of Assumed Name.

7. Pursuant to KRS 74.020(6), Commissioner Lauderman is permitted to receive an annual salary of \$3,600 for her service as a commissioner for the Corinth Water District and may receive additional salary not more than \$6,000 if she completes a minimum of six instructional hours of water district management training approved by the Public Service Commission.

8. Commissioner Lauderman was appointed to the Corinth Water District on April 23, 2021. A copy of her appointment to the Corinth Water District's Board of Commissioners by the Grant County Judge Executive and the Grant County fiscal court minutes in which her appointment was approved is attached to this Application as **Exhibit 1**. On December 5, 2023, Commissioner Lauderman was re-appointed for a term to expire on December 31, 2027. A copy of her re-appointment to the Corinth Water District's Board of Commissioners by the Grant County Judge Executive and the Grant County fiscal court minutes in which her re-appointment was approved is attached to this Application as **Exhibit 1**.

9. In the calendar year 2023, Commissioner Lauderman received more than \$3,600.00 in salary for her service as a commissioner for the Corinth Water District.

10. Because of her salary, Commissioner Lauderman was required to complete six (6) hours of commissioner training no later than December 31, 2023, pursuant to KRS 74.020(6). However, extenuating circumstances prevented her from doing so.

11. Specifically, Commissioner Lauderman's daughter suffered from health issues in 2023

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that required her to be hospitalized for a period and that required her full attention.

12. Commissioner Lauderman's failure to complete commissioner training in 2023 was not willful and when Corinth Water District and Commissioner Lauderman realized she had not completed her requisite training, they took steps to rectify the issue.

13. To this end, Commissioner Lauderman is registered for a PSC training to take place on April 23-24 at Lake Barkley State Park. At this session, Commissioner Lauderman aims to complete 12 hours of training. Half of these training hours will be completed to satisfy her 2024 educational year training requirements, with the other half intended to retroactively satisfy her 2023 educational year training requirements, pending the outcome of this Application.

14. Pursuant to KRS 74.020(9), the Commission "may grant a reasonable extension of time, not to exceed six (6) months for completing the training requirements of [KRS 74.020] subsection (6)..."

15. Because Commissioner Lauderman will complete 12 hours of training on April 23-24, the extension of time she requests now falls within the parameters set forth in KRS 74.020(9) of reasonable extensions the Commission may grant to complete training.

16. Corinth Water District and Commissioner Lauderman believe that they have shown good cause to allow for this extension and that the amount of time requested for the extension is reasonable.

17. Corinth Water District and Commissioner Lauderman request that the Public Service Commission grant Commissioner Lauderman an extension of time until June 30, 2024 to complete her commissioner training with the understanding that her intent is to complete such training no later than April 24, 2024.

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**WHEREFORE**, Corinth Water District and Commissioner Lauderman respectfully request that the Public Service Commission:

1. Place this Application at the head of the Commission's docket;

Issue an Order extending the time in which Commissioner Lauderman must complete six (6) instructional hours of water district management training to qualify for a salary above \$3,600.00 for the year ending December 31, 2023;

3. Issue an Order extending time in which Commissioner Lauderman is permitted to complete her 2023 commissioner training until June 30, 2024;

4. Grant any and all other relief to which Corinth Water District and Commissioner Lauderman may be entitled.

Respectfully submitted,

<u>/s/ Derek Miles</u> Derek Miles DRESSMAN BENZINGER LAVELLE, PSC 321 West Main Street, Suite 2100 Louisville, KY 40202 Phone: (502) 572-2500 Facsimile: (502) 572-2503 <u>dmiles@dbllaw.com</u> Counsel for Corinth Water District And Individual Commissioners

#### **Certification**

I hereby certify that a copy of this Application has been served electronically on all parties of record through the use of the Commission's electronic filing system on this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 2024, and there are currently no parties that the Commission has excused from participation by electronic means. Pursuant to the Commission's July 22, 2021 Order in Case No. 2020-00085, a paper copy of this filing has not been transmitted to the Commission.

/s/ Derek Miles
Derek Miles

State of Kentucky ) County of Grant )

The undersigned, Ashley Lauderman, after being first duly sworn, states that she is a commissioner of the Corinth Water District, that she has read this Application and understands its contents, and that the same is true and correct to the best of her knowledge.

In Testimony WHEREOF, witness the signature of the undersigned on this 21 day of April, 2024

SHLEY LAUDERMAN

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Subscribed and sworn to me by Ashley Lauderman on this  $\frac{9^{+7}}{2}$  day of April, 2024.

My commission expires: January 19, 2025 Million Russian



MONICA B. DAY Notary Public, Kentucky State At Large My Commission Expires January 19, 2025 Notary ID# KYNP18730

Notary Public,

ID No.:

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# **EXHIBIT 1**



Office of CHUCK DILLS Grant County Judge/Executive

## APPOINTMENT

I, Chuck Dills, Grant County Judge/Executive do hereby appoint Ashley Lauderman, 2540 Stringtown Road, Corinth, Ky. 41010, to serve on the Corinth Water District Board of Commissioners effective April 20, 2020 and to expire on December 31, 2023.

Given under my hand this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2021, at Williamstown, Ky.

Chuck Dills Grant County Judge/Executive



## To all to Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greetings:

## KNOW YE, THAT THIS DAY CAME ASHLEY LAUDERMAN

who was by me duly sworn to the oath of office of \_Corinth Water District Board

by being administered the oath required of Section 228 of the Constitution of Kentucky, in words as follows:

"I do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of this Commonwealth, and be faithful and true to the Commonwealth of Kentucky, so long as I continue a citizen thereof, and that I will faithfully execute, to the best of my ability, the office aforesaid according to law; and I do further solemnly swear that since the adoption of the present Constitution, I, being a citizen of this State, have not fought a duel with deadly weapons within the State nor out of it, nor have I sent or accepted a challenge to fight a duel with deadly weapons, nor have I acted as second in carrying a challenge, nor aided or assisted any person thus offending, SO HELP ME GOD."

and the following additional oath, to-wit:

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have caused this certificate to be executed. Done at <u>Grant County Courthouse</u>, this the <u>23rd</u> day of <u>April</u> 2021.

Judge

Chuck Dills Grant County Judge Executive

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The Grant County Fiscal Court met in regular session on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. in Williamstown, Kentucky. Those in attendance include the Honorable Judge/Executive Chuck Dills, Magistrate Roger Humphrey, Magistrate Jacqalynn Riley, and Magistrate Shawna Coldiron, County Attorney Steven Bates, Deputy Judge/Executive Colton Simpson, and Fiscal Court Clerk Cherish Kennedy. Also joining was David Rose, Steve Tatum, Bill Oliver, Patrick Goodman, and Brian Maines

Invocation was led by Colton Simpson Deputy Judge/Executive and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Judge/Executive Chuck Dills.

Motion was made by Magistrate Humphrey and seconded by Magistrate Coldiron to approve the minutes of April 6, 2021. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Magistrate Riley and seconded by Magistrate Coldiron to approve all claims drawn in the general fund, road fund, and jail fund along with all transfers presented dated April 20, 2021. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Magistrate Humphrey and seconded by Magistrate Riley to approve Isaiah Magee as a seasonal employee with Parks and Recreation at a salary of \$13 an hour and to be retroactive April 5, 2021. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Magistrate Riley and seconded by Magistrate Coldiron to adopt and approve Judge/Executive Chuck Dills to sign the Cooperative Program Agreement and to approve Resolution of County Road Aid. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Magistrate Riley and seconded by Magistrate Humphrey to approve Ashley Lauderman to finish said term of Shannon Long as Secretary at the Corinth Water District. Motion was made by Magistrate Riley and seconded by Magistrate Humphrey to surplus items on "Attachment A" to the Corinth Fire Board. The items include a single axle trailer, military generator, and a Humvee utility vehicle.

Motion was made by Magistrate Riley and seconded by Magistrate Humphrey to approve the Shady Lane Bridge Bid to JAVE, LLC. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Magistrate Humphrey and seconded by Magistrate Riley to approve all Stone needs to Crupper Transport for fiscal year 2021-2022. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Magistrate Riley and seconded by Magistrate Coldiron to approve Liquid Asphalt to Marathon for fiscal year 2021-2022. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Magistrate Humphrey and seconded by Magistrate Coldiron to approve Hot Mix base and surface to Riegler Blacktop and Cold Mix to Eaton Asphalt for fiscal year 2021-2022. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Magistrate Riley and seconded by Magistrate Humphrey to approve Diesel Fuel #2 to Lykins and Valor to continue sending daily rates for fiscal year 2021-2022. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Magistrate Humphrey and seconded by Magistrate Riley to approve all Salt needs to Crupper Transport for fiscal year 2021-2022. All in favor, motion carried.

Reports were presented from the Judge/Executive, and each Magistrate. These reports are for review only and no action is required.

Judge/Executive Chuck Dills asked the audience if they wished to address the court. There being none, a motion was made by Magistrate Humphrey and seconded by Magistrate Coldiron to adjourn after Judge/Executive Dills reminded the court that the next meeting will be held Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 6:30 P.M at the Courthouse.

Chuck Dills, Grant County Judge/Executive

# **EXHIBIT 2**



Office of CHUCK DILLS Grant County Judge/Executive

### APPOINTMENT

I, Chuck Dills, Grant County Judge/Executive do hereby re-appoint Ashley Lauderman, to serve as a member for the Corinth Water District; said term to begin January 1, 2024 and to expire December 31, 2027.

Given under my hand this the 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2023, at Williamstown, KY

Chuck Dills Grant County Judge/Executive

Appointment approved by the Grant County Fiscal Court on the meeting of December 5, 2023.

Attest:

enna Johnson, Fiscal Court Clerk



Grant County Fiscal Court Regular Meeting Minutes December 5, 2023 @ 4:30 P.M.

The Grant County Fiscal Court met in special session on Tuesday, December 5, 2023, at 4:30 P.M. at the Courthouse in Williamstown, Kentucky. Those in attendance include the Honorable Judge/Executive Chuck Dills, Magistrate Jacqalynn Riley, Magistrate Shawna Coldiron, Magistrate Roger Humphrey, County Attorney Stephen L. Bates II, Deputy Judge/Executive Colton Simpson, and Fiscal Court Clerk Jenna Johnson. Guest David Rose, EMA Director Les Whalen, Deputy EMA Director Tyler Garnett, Ken Little, Debby Lucas Angel, Treasurer Peggy Updike, Mayor Greg Brockman, Mayor Dalaney Bishop, Mayor Mark Christopher and Phil Crumpton with KACo.

Motion was made by Magistrate Humphrey and seconded by Magistrate Coldiron to approve the regular meeting minutes of November 21, 2023. All in favor, motion carried.

Motion was made by Magistrate Riley and seconded by Magistrate Coldiron to approve all claims on the general fund, road fund, and jail fund, along with all transfers presented dated December 05, 2023. All in favor, motion carried.

First Reading on Ordinance No. 0010-2023-0267 regarding Fire Protection Taxing District. This is for review only, no action required.

Motion was made by Magistrate Riley and seconded by Magistrate Humphrey to re-appoint Ashley Lauderman, Corinth Water Board, effective January 1, 2024 and to expire on December 31, 2027. All in favor, motion carried.

Reports were presented from Treasurer, Animal Shelter, Road Supervisor, Building Inspector, Coroner, Jailer, Sheriff, Judge/Executive Chuck Dills, Magistrate Riley, Magistrate Coldiron, and Magistrate Humphrey. These reports are for review only and no action is required.

Judge/Executive Chuck Dills asked the audience if they wished to address the court. There being none, a motion was made by Magistrate Riley and seconded by Magistrate Humphrey to adjourn. Judge/Executive Chuck Dills reminded the court that the next meeting will be held Tuesday, December 19, 2023 at 4:30 P.M in the courtroom or until the call of the chair.

Chuck Dills, Grant County Judge/Executive