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Executive Department



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**Governor Tim Walz**

President of the Senate

**NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT**

**David Koob**

Because of the special trust and confidence I have in your integrity, judgment, and ability, I have appointed you to the office of:

**Member**

**Minnesota Racing Commission**

Effective: March 7, 2022

Expires: June 30, 2027

This appointment carries with it all rights, powers, duties, and emoluments granted by law and pertaining to this position until this appointment is superseded or annulled by me or other lawful authority or by any law of this State.

Signed and sealed February 28, 2022.



Handwritten signature of Tim Walz in black ink.

Tim Walz

Governor

Handwritten signature of Steve Simon in black ink.

Steve Simon

Secretary of State

Replacing: James Lane III

Filed February 28, 2022  
Office of the Minnesota  
Secretary of State  
Steve Simon

# DAVID J. KOOB

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June 18, 2020

Colleen Hurlbert  
Minnesota Racing Commission  
1100 Canterbury Road, Suite 100  
Shakopee, MN 55379

Dear Ms. Hurlbert:

I am interested in the open Member position on the Minnesota Racing Commission. I have been an attorney in the Twin Cities since graduating from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1998. My career has focused on handling a wide variety of substantive legal issues and representation of a diverse clientele. I have handled all aspects of legal cases and have tried cases before judges, juries, and arbitrators. I have also provided day-to-day practical advice to private businesses, state-agency clients, and individuals.

Of particular note, when I worked at the Minnesota Attorney General's Office from 2006 -2010, the Minnesota Racing Commission was one of my state agency clients. I represented the Commission in numerous appeals hearings during my four years in that position. During that time, I became very familiar with the applicable rules and regulations that affect the integrity of horse racing and card playing, as well as licensing matters. I believe the main objective of any racing commission should be to eliminate fraudulent activity that undermines the public trust, and to preserve and promote horse racing and card playing by preventing and eliminating corrupt practices to ensure fairness in licensing and patron decisions. I believe that my background gives me the credentials to meaningfully contribute to the Minnesota Racing Commission.

Currently I work as National Counsel for several large corporations, including Buffalo Wild Wings and ADT Home Security. In this position, I provide knowledgeable and practical legal advice on all types of business and legal issues, and I represent my clients in litigation involving general liability, employment law, and workers' compensation matters, as well as conducting large-scale investigations. As a result, I have developed excellent risk-assessment, problem-solving, negotiation, and dispute-resolution skills. I can offer insightful guidance conducive to successful business negotiations and cost-effective actions. I can communicate effectively within all levels of an organization and between a diverse set of individuals.

I have a strong work ethic and approach all tasks with energy and enthusiasm. I have the ability to quickly gain the confidence of others, enhanced by my strong sense of team and excellent people skills. I always conduct myself with integrity and a commitment to the highest ethical standards and personal values.

I would appreciate the opportunity to discuss my qualifications with you. I look forward to hearing from you. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best regards,

*s/ David J. Koob*

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June 23, 2021

Steve May, Executive Director  
Minnesota Racing Commission  
1100 Canterbury Road, Suite 100  
Shakopee, MN 55379

Dear Mr. May:

I am interested in the open Member position on the Minnesota Racing Commission. I have been an attorney in the Twin Cities since graduating from the University of Minnesota Law School in 1998. My career has focused on handling a wide variety of substantive legal issues and representation of a diverse clientele. I have handled all aspects of legal cases and have tried cases before judges, juries, and arbitrators. I have also provided day-to-day practical advice to private businesses, state-agency clients, and individuals.

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**Part I: Position Sought**

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**Agency Name:** Mn Racing Commission

**Position:** Member

**Part II: Applicant Information**

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**Name:** Mr. David James Koob

**Phone:** (612) 803-0360

**County:** Dakota

**Mn House District:** 57B

**US House District:** 2

**Recommended by the Appointing Authority:** True

**Part III: Appending Documentation**

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**Cover Letter and Resume**

| Type         | File Type       |
|--------------|-----------------|
| Cover Letter | application/pdf |
| Resume       | application/pdf |

**Additional Documents (.doc, .docx, .pdf, .txt)**

| Type                           | File Name |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| No additional documents found. |           |

**Veteran:** No Answer

**Part V: Signature**

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**Signature:** David J. Koob

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