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Camden County resident joins New Jersey Pinelands Commission as new gubernatorial appointee

NEW LISBON, N.J. – The New Jersey Pinelands Commission welcomed Lloyd Henderson Jr. of Lawnside, Camden County, as he attended his first meeting today as a new member of the Commission.

Governor Jon S. Corzine nominated Henderson to fill one of seven gubernatorial seats on the Commission, and the nomination was approved by the state Senate on Monday.

"I'm excited to serve the State of New Jersey as a member of the Commission, and I hope to fulfill the Commission's mission to preserve, protect and enhance New Jersey's great natural resources." Henderson said.

Henderson is a Project Engineer with experience in the engineering-design industry. He holds a bachelors of science in mechanical engineering from Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa., and he will be attending the Rutgers School of Law in Camden this fall. In addition, he is active with the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in Camden County and the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce.

Henderson fills a gubernatorial seat previously held by Stephen V. Lee III of Chatsworth, Burlington County. Lee is a partner in Lee Brothers, Inc., a 1,800-acre cranberry and blueberry farm in the Pinelands. He had served on the Commission since 1982.

"Steve Lee devoted countless hours of his time, expertise and insight as a member of the Pinelands Commission for nearly 30 years," said John C. Stokes, Executive Director of the Pinelands Commission. "His experience, commitment and attention to detail helped to improve many of our policies, thereby strengthening the Pinelands protection program."

Also on Monday, the state Senate approved the re-appointment of Robert Jackson as a gubernatorial appointee on the Pinelands Commission. A resident of Middle Township, Cape May County, Jackson joined the Commission in July 2008.

The Pinelands Commission is a state agency that oversees land-use, development and natural resource protection in the million-acre Pinelands Area, which covers part or all of 53 municipalities in Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester and Ocean counties.

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The Commission consists of 15 members: seven appointed by the Governor of New Jersey, one appointed by each of the seven Pinelands counties and one appointed by the U.S. Secretary of the Interior. Members of the Commission serve staggered, three-year terms and do not receive compensation for their service.

*** **ATTENTION EDITORS**: A digital photo of Commissioner Henderson can be obtained by contacting Paul Leakan at (609) 894-7300.



Lloyd Henderson Jr., pictured center, took the oath of office as a new Pinelands Commission member during the Commission's regular meeting today. The oath was administered by DAG Amy Donlon, pictured left, and was attended by Acting Chairman Norman Tomasello, pictured right.

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