

STATE OF MINNESOTA

DISTRICT COURT

COUNTY OF RAMSEY

SECOND JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Court File No. 62-C9-61-315222

In the Matter of OTTO BREMER  
TRUST (formerly known as the Otto  
Bremer Foundation)

**AFFIDAVIT AND ACCEPTANCE OF**  
**JUDGE PAMELA ALEXANDER**  
**(RETIRED)**

STATE OF MINNESOTA )  
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COUNTY OF HENNEPIN )

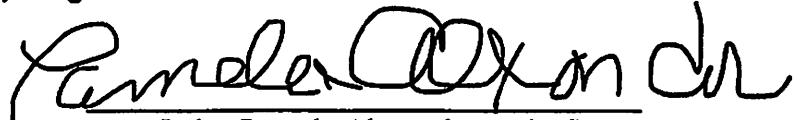
Pamela Alexander, being first duly sworn under oath, states as follows:

1. My name is Pamela Alexander. I am a resident of Hennepin County, Minnesota.
2. I am available to serve as a fiduciary of the above-captioned Trust, both as a special fiduciary to take possession of the trust property and administer the trust pursuant to Minnesota Statutes section 501C.1001(b)(5), and as a replacement Trustee under section 501C.0704.
3. I have attached as **Exhibit 1** a curriculum vitae setting forth my qualifications to serve in these capacities. I am a retired Judge for the Hennepin County District Court. My experience includes, but is not limited to, previously presiding over the Juvenile Division and serving as Assistant Chief Judge for Hennepin County District Court.
4. Subject to mutually agreeable terms and conditions to be determined by this Court, I am willing to accept the appointment to serve in these capacities.
5. Upon such acceptance, I agree to administer the trust in accordance with its applicable terms and to be bound by the provisions of applicable statutes relating to the office.

6. If appointed to serve in such capacities, I will submit to the jurisdiction of the Court in any proceeding relating to this trust; and swear to faithfully perform all duties of the office to the best of my ability.

FURTHER YOUR AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

I declare under penalty of perjury that everything I have stated in this document is true and correct. Minn. Stat. § 358.116.

  
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Judge Pamela Alexander (retired)

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# PAMELA GAYLE ALEXANDER

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

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2008 to 2013      Council on Crime and Justice      Minneapolis, MN  
*President*

- *CEO of a non-profit agency with 40 employees that specializes in improving the criminal justice system in the state of Minnesota.*

1986 to 2008 - 2013-2018 Hennepin County District Court Minneapolis, MN  
*Trial Judge*

District Court Trial Judge - Juvenile Division 2004 to 2008  
District Court Trial Judge Civil and Criminal 2000 to 2004  
Presiding Judge - Juvenile Division 1998 to 2000  
Assistant Chief Judge 1996 -1998  
District Court Trial Judge - Civil and Criminal 1992 to 1996  
Family Court Trial Judge 1992  
District Court Trial Judge - Civil and Criminal 1986 to 1992

I also served on a number of Court Committees: The Executive Committee, Joint Bench/Board Committee, Criminal Justice Coordinating Council, Equal Justice Committee, Criminal Committee, Juvenile Technology Committee, Children's Justice Initiative, Racial Bias Task Force, Equal Fairness in the Courts Committee, Court Unification Committee, Family Violence Coordinating Council and the Juvenile Justice Task Force.

1983 to 1986      Hennepin County Municipal Court  
*Trial Judge*

Criminal, Civil and Appeals

1981 to 1983      Hennepin County Attorney Office - Criminal Division  
*Assistant Hennepin County Attorney*

Prosecuted major felony cases specializing in sexual assaults and crimes involving children.

1978 to 1981      Legal Rights Center, Inc.  
*Criminal Defense Lawyer*

Defended Criminal cases including traffic, minor and major criminal cases for indigent defendants.

I was also a Law Clerk at the Legal Rights Center from 1975 to 1977 and the Neighborhood Justice Center in 1974.

## EDUCATION

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1974-1977 University of Minnesota School of Law Minneapolis, MN  
*Juris Doctorate Degree*  
• Law School Council, Women's Caucus, Third World Caucus, Board of Directors - Student Legal Services, Teachers Assistant - Women in the Law.

1970-1974 Augsburg College Minneapolis, MN  
*Bachelor of Arts/ Political Science*

1968-1970 Minneapolis Central High School  
*High School Diploma*

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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Byrne Drug Policy Task Force - Studies trends and overall criminal justice policy in order to make recommendations to the governor.

Minnesota Supreme Court Racial Fairness in the Courts Committee - Studies and implements policy as it relates to equal treatment of all persons who come into the Court system.

Minnesota Supreme Court Committee on Equality and Justice – Recommends policy change and procedures to make the Courts fair and just for all.

Hennepin County District Court Equal Justice Committee - Founder and Co-Chair of this committee which had the task of implementing the recommendations of the Supreme Court Studies on Racial Fairness and Gender Fairness.

Pre-Trial Services Resource Center Board of Directors - Made policy and recommendations to the Center on national trends affecting pre-trial release and diversion.

Family Violence Coordinating Council - Studies and makes policy recommendations on how to better serve victims of Domestic Violence and treat abusers. Served as Co-Chair and Chair of the Juvenile Sub-committee.

Children's Defense Fund Juvenile Judges Leadership Council - Advises Judges across the Country on issues involving children.

Youth Coordinating Board - Coordinates all Youth Initiatives within the city and county to better serve Hennepin County's children.

Center for Excellence in Urban Teaching - served on its advisory board to look at training teachers to serve inner city youth.

Juvenile Assessment Center Planning Committee - Attempted to fashion a Juvenile Assessment Center for Hennepin County to better assess and serve youth in the County.

National Bar Association Judicial Council

Minnesota Association of Black Lawyers - Charter Member

Minnesota Minority Lawyers Association - Charter Member

Minnesota Black Women Lawyers Network

## COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

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### Past

Minneapolis Foundation Board of Trustees - Served as Chair of the Governance Committee, the Executive Committee and Chair of the Search Committee for the new CEO and President.

Ford Foundation Center for Urban Partnerships - Advisory Board  
Helped shape policy to serve "at Risk" youth to keep them in school from grade school to college.

Sounds of Blackness Board of Directors - Helped promote, inform and educate through music African and African American history.

Children's Defense Fund Black Community Crusade for Children - Promote a good, healthy and safe start for all children.

Nobel Peace Prize Forum Board of Directors - promotes peace by bringing the Nobel Peace prize recipients to the five LCA Lutheran Colleges every year.

American Heart Association Advisory Council – Helped to bring heart healthy living practices to communities of color.

Augsburg College Board of Trustees

Way to Grow Board of Directors - promotes school readiness and prepares children for kindergarten.

The Network for Better Futures Board of Directors – helps with re-entry, housing and employment for former offenders.

The Children's Hospitals & Clinics of Minnesota Board of Directors – Quality health care delivery for children.

Minnesota Council on Non-Profits Board of Directors

Adjunct Professor - University of St. Thomas School of Law

Adjunct Professor – William Mitchell College of Law

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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Girls Basketball Coach

Youth Motivational Speaker

Teach Workshops and Seminars on a variety of subjects

Reading

## AWARDS

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I have received over 50 Community Service Awards, listed are a sampling of those received:

Girl Scouts Centennial 100 "Trailblazer" Award 2012

Woman of Courage Award – Emmett Till Legacy Foundation 2011

National Black Prosecutors Association Thurgood Marshall Award 2011

MN Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers Equal Justice Award 2011

Sigma Pi Phi Omicron Boule "Archoussa of the Year." 2010

Minority Business Award for Outstanding Non-Profit Leadership 2010

The Hennepin County Bar Association "Walter Mondale Public & Community Service" Award. June 2009

St. Thomas Dean's Award for Outstanding Teaching 2007

Minnesota State Bar Association David Graven Public Service Award 2006

Toastmasters International Communications and Leadership Award 2006

NAACP Profiles in Courage Award - St. Paul Branch 2005

"This is your Life" Award - Viking Council Boy Scouts of America 2004

National Bar Association Profiles in Courage Award 2001

Rainbow PUSH Coalition Torchbearer's Award 2000

Hennepin County Star Performer Award 1998

Iota Phi Lambda Woman of the Year Award 1998

National Bar Association Jurist Award - Women Lawyers Division 1997

Minnesota Minority Lawyers Association Profiles In Courage Award 1995

Minneapolis Community College Humanitarian Award 1995  
AKA 5A Black Achiever's Award 1995  
NAACP Freedom Fund Award - Minneapolis Branch 1993  
Southern Christian Leadership Conference Distinguished Barrister Award 1993  
Minneapolis Girl Scouts Esther V. Crosby Award 1993  
Omega Psi Phi Citizen of the Year Award 1993  
NAACP Freedom Fund Award - Rochester Branch 1992  
Minnesota Women's Consortium Certificate of Merit 1988

#### SPEECHES AND WORKSHOPS

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I generally deliver about 20 to 40 Speeches per year to various groups and organizations below is a sampling of those given:

Minnesota Council on Non-Profits Annual Meeting – “How Government and Non-Profits support one another.” Oct. 2008

Science Museum of Minnesota – “Race and the Justice System.” Feb. 2007

College of St. Benedict – Martin Luther King Celebration Keynote: “What would Dr. King say if he were here today.” Jan. 2002

West Group – Keynote: “Perspectives from the Bench: Eliminating Bias.” Nov. 2001

St. Thomas College - MN Constitution Day, Keynote: The Judicial Branch. Oct. 2001

Minneapolis Community & Technical College Commencement Keynote: “You are what life is.” May 2001

The Blake School Diversity Symposium Keynote: “Building Community in an Electronic Age.” April 2001

United States Department of Justice, MN Keynote: African-Americans in History, Feb; 2001

American Bar Association Convention, New York City – July 2000  
Workshop: “Racial Preferences, Unspoken Bias and Ethical Concerns.”

Park Nicollet Medical Center Pediatricians Workshop Keynote: “Privacy and Kids.” April 2000

Park Nicollet Pediatric Update – Legal Issues “Children’s Rights and Medical Services/Confidentiality.” April 2000.

MSSA Annual Training Conference & Expo Keynote: “Sharing Stories and Shaping Communities.” March 2000

**Building Justice for Children Conference, Syracuse, New York, Keynote: Improving Community Response to Child Abuse Victims.” May 2000**

**Children’s Justice Symposium, Midway Utah. Keynote: “How Judges can help Child abuse victims through Leadership and Coordination.” June 2000**

**Solid Gold Soul Business Luncheon. Keynote: “Delinquents under 10 and the impact on the Community.” May 2000.**

**MILE Juvenile Justice Seminar: Workshop “To certify or not to certify, that is the question.” May 2000.**

**Macalester College Black History Month Celebration, Keynote: “It takes a whole village to raise a Child.” Feb. 2000**

**Minnesota Legislature Leaders of Today & Tomorrow – Women Judges Panel Jan 2000.**