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Senator Stedman Hires 2005 Session Staff

Former Aide to Representative Bill Williams Joins Stedman Staff

(Ketchikan) – Senator Bert Stedman (R-Sitka) announced today his staff for the 2005 legislative session. On January 5th, new hires Tim Barry and Andrea Keikkala will be joining existing Stedman aide Miles Baker in Juneau.

Ketchikan resident Tim Barry is moving to the Senate from the House, where he spent the past two years working for Representative Bill Williams (R-Saxman). Williams is retiring at the end of this year.

“We’re very lucky to have Tim Barry”, remarked Sen Stedman. “He knows the issues, is well respected in Juneau and brings a wealth of experience to the job. He’s done a good job for Ketchikan and will be an asset for the entire Senate district.”

Barry said, “I was honored to be asked to join Senator Stedman’s legislative staff. I have enjoyed serving the people of Ketchikan and House District 1 for the past two years and look forward to continuing that work for all our constituents in District A.”

Andrea Keikkala joins Senator Stedman’s staff from Gonzaga University where she recently completed her Masters in Religious Studies. Raised in Southeast Alaska, Keikkala studied at the University of Alaska Southeast before earning her BA in Political Science from Gonzaga in 2003.

Senator Stedman was elected to a new four year term November 2nd, 2004. This session Senator Stedman will serve on the Finance Committee, Resources Committee and continue to serve on the Senate Community & Regional Affairs Committee and the Alaska Information Infrastructure Policy Taskforce.

Senate District A includes the Southeast communities of Ketchikan, Sitka, Wrangell, Petersburg, Pelican, Elfin Cove, Port Alexander, Saxman, Meyers Chuck, Thorne Bay, Coffman Cove and Hollis.

See attached Staff Biographies for additional information.

DISTRICT A

Ketchikan • Sitka • Petersburg • Wrangell

Pelican • Elfin Cove • Port Alexander • Saxman • Meyers Chuck • Thorne Bay • Coffman Cove • Hollis

STAFF BIOGRAPHIES

Tim Barry – Legislative Aide

Tim Barry was born in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, and has been a resident of Ketchikan since 1989. He has worked as a legal assistant, a commercial fisherman and a journalist. Prior to joining Representative Bill Williams' staff in 2003, Tim spent 3 years as General Manager of KRBD Radio in Ketchikan. He has served on the Board of Directors of the Ketchikan Chamber of Commerce, and as President of the Valley Park Elementary School PTA. Tim holds a BA in international relations from Stanford University.

Andrea Keikkala – Administrative Aide

Andrea Keikkala was raised in Juneau, Alaska. She has worked as a customer service representative for Alaska Coastal Airlines and as a tutor at Career Path Services. Andrea is a 1999 graduate of Juneau-Douglas High School. She holds an AA from the University of Alaska and a BA in Political Science and MA in Religious Studies from Gonzaga University.

Miles Baker – Legislative Aide

Miles Baker moved to Juneau, Alaska in 1969. After graduating from West High School in Anchorage, he spent several years working outside Alaska before returning to join Senator Stedman's staff in 2003. Most recently, he worked as a business development consultant in the media and communications industry in Los Angeles. He has been Director of Strategic Initiatives for NBC Entertainment, National Sales Director for Bertelsmann Music Group and a Client Partner at technology consulting firm iXL Enterprises. Miles is a former US Marine Captain and holds a BS in Ocean Engineering from the U.S. Naval Academy and an MBA from UCLA's Anderson School of Business.