

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 21-29

RE: C.R. NO. 21-61/J&GO

SUBJECT: CONFIRMING MR. JOSES R. GALLEN, ESQ. TO SERVE AS
THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OF THE
FSM.

SEPTEMBER 24, 2019

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina
Speaker, Twenty-First Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Second Regular Session, 2019

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations, to
which was referred C.R. No, 21-16 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR.
JOSES R. GALLEN, ESQ. TO SERVE AS THE SECRETARY OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OF THE FEDERATED STATES
OF MICRONESIA.",

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of this resolution are expressed in
its title.

The nominee began his legal career at a prosecutor at the
Pohnpei District Attorney's Office from 1980-1986. From
there, he moved to the Pohnpei State Legislature as a Staff
Attorney from 1986-1987. In 1987 the nominee had his first
tenure at the FSM Attorney General's Office, where he
remained through 1991. He then worked as the Deputy Chief
of Mission for the FSM Mission to the United Nations. In
1993 he returned to the FSM Attorney General's Office.
From 1995-1996 he was the Acting Legislative Counsel for

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the FSM Congress. The nominee then worked in the Kosrae Public Defender's Office from 1996-1998. In 1998 he became the Chief of Litigation for the Chuuk State Attorney General's Office, where he remained until 2000. From 2000-2003 the nominee was the Chief of Litigation in the Pohnpei State Attorney General's Office. He returned to the Chuuk State Attorney General's Office from 2003-2012 as the Attorney General. In 2012 he returned to the Department of Justice as an Assistant Attorney General. The nominee worked as General Counsel for the Pohnpei Utilities Corporation - Pohnpei State from 2013-2014. He then returned to the FSM Department of Justice as an Assistant Attorney General from 2014-2015. In 2015 the nominee became the Secretary/Attorney General in the FSM Department of Justice, where he remained until 2019.

The nominee is well known to your Committee. He is well qualified for the position. Your Committee is satisfied that the President has made a good choice and recommends confirmation of the nominee.

You Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 21-61 and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted,

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