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Michael A. Stanker Named Executive Director of the Law Revision Commission

On April 15, 2013, Michael A. Stanker was named Executive Director of the Law Revision. He replaces Heather L. Kennedy, who moved to the District Court for the Northern Mariana Islands. Michael, licensed to practice law in California and temporarily admitted in the CNMI, was previously with the Office of the Attorney General. Michael came to the Commonwealth in 2009 as a law clerk for the CNMI Supreme Court. Prior to law school Michael was a business analyst for Washington Mutual in their fraud division. Michael graduated from Santa Clara University's School of Law. He is married with a son.



Michael's responsibilities as the Executive Director of the Law Revision Commission include codification of public laws, administrative regulations and creating a reporter system for CNMI Supreme Court cases. Michael is excited about assuming the role of Executive Director, stating, "I look forward to continuing to provide the CNMI community with access to CNMI laws and legal publications. I encourage community members to contact the Law Revision Commission about ways to enhance our products and improve access to the Commonwealth's laws through our website."

Chief Justice Alexandro C. Castro states, "Michael was one of the Supreme Court's best law clerks. He gained the respect of the CNMI and Guam Supreme Court justices, and when he left the Court, the Guam justices expressed interest in hiring him based on his work with them while they sat as justice pro tems in the Commonwealth. I am thrilled to have him back in the Judiciary."

The Law Revision Commission has numerous CNMI legal publications available. For more information, please visit www.cnmilaw.org or call 236-9820.

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