



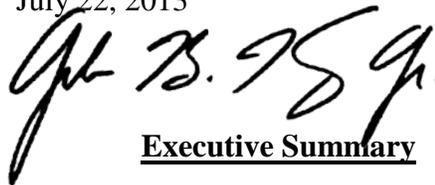
**TO:** The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

**FROM:** John King

**SUBJECT:** Appointment of Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Assessment, Standards and Curriculum

**DATE:** July 22, 2013

**AUTHORIZATIONS:**

  
Executive Summary

**Issue for Decision**

Will the Board of Regents approve my appointment of Candace Shyer to the position of Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Assessment, Standards and Curriculum?

**Reason for Consideration**

Candace Shyer will bring to the Assistant Commissioner position extensive knowledge and experience in New York State's testing program. Candace has developed a strategy and is leading the transition of the current NYS testing programs to the Common Core reform initiative. She is currently the Director, Transition to Common Core Assessments. Candace has been with the Department for over 20 years and prior to this role, she has served as the Interim Executive Director for the Office of State Assessment, Bureau Chief for the Office of Test Development, and various roles in the Office of Special Education which included Coordinator, Special Education Policy and Partnership. Candace began her career as a Special Education Teacher. She has a thorough understanding and knowledge of P-12 education and assessment and curriculum.

**Proposed Handling**

The Board of Regents will review Ms. Shyer's credentials and experience in Executive Session on July 22, 2013.

**Recommendation**

I recommend that you take the following action:

VOTED, that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Candace Shyer to the position of Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Assessment, Standards and Curriculum effective July 23, 2013.