



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

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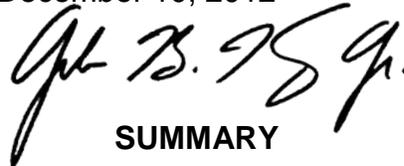
**SUBJECT:**

Appointments to the New York State Rehabilitation Council

**DATE:**

December 10, 2012

**AUTHORIZATION(S):**

  
SUMMARY

**Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)**

Vacancies have occurred on the New York State Rehabilitation Council (SRC). Board of Regents approval of proposed appointments and reappointments of members to the SRC.

**Reason(s) for Consideration**

The 1992 Amendments to the Rehabilitation Act, as amended, require the Board of Regents to appoint members to the New York State Rehabilitation Council (SRC).

**Proposed Handling**

Approval by the Full Board of Regents.

**Procedural History**

Each year, as vacancies occur, the Board of Regents approves recommendations to fill such vacancies.

**Background Information**

Information on the proposed appointees is noted in Attachment 1 and a list of the entire SRC is noted in Attachment 2.

### **Recommendation**

**VOTED:** that Martha Kearns Jackson, Beatrice Schmidt, C. William Schultz and Chad Underwood, be appointed for a three-year term beginning January 1, 2013 and ending December 31, 2015.

**VOTED:** that Patricia Dowse and Brett Eisenberg be reappointed for a three year term beginning January 1, 2013 and ending December 31, 2015.

### **Timetable for Implementation**

Upon approval by the Regents of the recommended candidates, appointments will go into effect January 1, 2013.

Attachments

Attachment 1

**New York State Rehabilitation Council  
(New Appointments for the term January 1, 2013 to December 31, 2015)**

**Representatives of the Disability Advocates Groups:**

**Beatrice Schmidt**

150 Argyle Road  
Brooklyn, NY 11218  
(718) 807-5668

- New York State Developmental Disabilities Planning Council (DDPC) Council Member formulating policies and programs according to the state plan that allow children and adults with developmental disabilities to be productive members of society and educating the public about the needs of individuals with developmental disabilities

**Representative of Community Rehabilitation Service Providers:**

**Chad W. Underwood**

3818 Deerfield Heights  
Cortland, New York 13045  
(917) 756-1775

- Current Chief Operating Officer, Program Manager Access to Independence of Cortland County, Inc. – Cortland, New York
- Serves on community, regional and State Boards of Directors, Advisory Boards and Committees (Treasurer of New York State Independent Living Council - NYSILC)

**C. William Schultz**

217 Crosby Avenue  
Kenmore, New York 14217  
(716) 874-5378

- PEOPLE, Inc., Program Director - Vocational/Employment Programs
- Responsible for overall/day to day operations of the Delaware Day Skills and CAPP Programs, Supported Employment Programs, Transition (School to Work) and Job Placement and Vocational Evaluations. Responsible for local WIB and other Assessment, Job Placement and Retention Services.

**Representative of Business, Industry and Labor:**

**Martha Kearns Jackson**

210 West 101<sup>st</sup> Street  
New York, New York 10025  
(718) 777-4209

- Goodwill Of Greater New York and Northern New Jersey, Currently: Director New Initiatives and Business Partnerships NY NJ

- Recipient of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for Innovate Training and Placement Program. Created onsite training and customer service call center in LIC; partnered with employers in travel and hospitality industries to hire individuals who are blind or visually impaired

**New Interagency Ex-Officio Representatives:**

**Anna Lobosco**

- New York State Developmental Disabilities Planning Council, 99 Washington Avenue, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Suite 1230, Albany, NY 12210

**Ceylane Myers Ruff**

- New York State Office for Persons with Developmental Disabilities, 44 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY 12229

## Attachment 2

### **State Rehabilitation Council (Term Expirations)**

#### **Representative of the Statewide Independent Living Council (NYSILC)**

2013 Wendy Strobel, Director, Northeast ADA Center Disability and Business Technical Assistance Center (DBTAC) Cornell University, 203 ILR Extension Building, Ithaca, NY 14853

#### **Representative of the Client Assistance Program (CAP)**

2015 Lisa Rosano, Coordinator, NYS Client Assistance Program, 401 State Street, Schenectady, NY 12305

#### **Representative of a Parent Training and Information Center established pursuant to the Individuals with Disability Education Act (IDEA)**

2013 Susan Barlow, Director of Parent Training, Parent Network of WNY, 5 Frontenac Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14216

2014 Lourdes Rivera-Putz, Executive Director, United We Stand Of New York, 91 Harrison Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11206

#### **Certified vocational rehabilitation counselors**

2014 Tamar Asedo-Sherman, Employment Specialist, Nassau BOCES, 24 Fransal Court, Northport, NY 11768-2901

2013 LaWanda H. Cook, M.S., CRC, 317-A Troy Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850

#### **Representatives of community rehabilitation program service providers**

2013 Lisa Bayer, Deputy Director of Community Services, LDA Life and Learning Services, 339 East Avenue, Suite 420, Rochester, NY 14625

2014 Michael Irwin, Program Director, Greater Syracuse Works, 516 Burt Street, Syracuse, NY 13202

2014 Fredda Rosen, Executive Director, Job Path, 22 West 38<sup>th</sup> Street, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, New York, NY 10018

2013 Mira L. Bowin, One Columbia Place, Albany, NY 12207

#### **Representatives of business, industry, and labor**

2014 Angella Luyk, Owner, Midnight Janitorial, Inc., 96 Doris Road, Rochester, NY 14622

2014 Kyle Goodridge, Vice President, Equal Employment/Affirmative Action Manager, Citigroup, 77-11 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 1R, Jackson Heights, NY 11372

2014 Craig Wolfson, Esq., Rosicki, Rosicki & Associates, 44 Manhattan Avenue, Westbury, NY 11590

### **Representatives of disability advocacy groups**

2014 Gregory Bell, Executive Director, Insight for New Housing, 905 Eagle Avenue, Apt. #4M, Bronx, NY 10456

2014 Shameka Andrews, Co-Administrative Director of Policy, Self Advocacy Association, 500 Balltown Rd, Building 12, Schenectady, NY 12304

2015 Patricia Dowse, Chief Operating Officer, New York State Rehabilitation Association, 203 Shereen Court, Schenectady, NY 12304

2014 Roger Purdy, Director, Disability Support Services, LeMoyne College, 4158 Cherrywood Drive, Syracuse, NY 13215

2014 Cynthia C. Printup-Harms, OAHIO Director 3108 Main Street Buffalo, NY14214-1384

2014 Lourdes Rosa-Carrasquillo, Esq., Director of Advocacy/Community Organizer, Center for Independence of the Disabled, 17 Gates Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Montclair, NJ 07042

### **Current or former applicants for, or recipients of, vocational rehabilitation services**

2015 Brett Eisenberg, Executive Director, Bronx Independent Living Services, 2600 Netherland Avenue, Apartment 202, Bronx, NY 10463

### **Representative of Native American Projects (Section 121)**

2014 Nicole David, Administrative Assistant, St. Regis Mohawk Tribe, P.O. Box 362, Rooseveltown, NY 13683

### **Representative of the state educational agency responsible for the public education of students with disabilities who are eligible to receive services**

2013 Sophie McDermott, New York State Education Department, Special Education, 89 Washington Avenue, Albany, NY 12234

### **Representative of the State Workforce Investment Board**

Vacant

## **Continuing Ex-Officio**

Rosemary Lamb, Director, Division of Interagency Affairs, New York State Commission on Quality of Care and Advocacy for Persons with Disabilities, 401 State Street, Schenectady, NY 12305

Douglas Ruderman, Rehabilitation and Recovery Services, New York State Department Office of Mental Health, 44 Holland Avenue, Albany, NY 12229

MaryAnn Van Alstyne, Associate Rehabilitation Counselor, New York State Office of Children and Family Services, Commission for the Blind and Visually Handicapped, Capital View Office Park, South Building, Room 201, 52 Washington Street, Rensselaer, NY 12144