

TO: The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

FROM: MaryEllen Elia

SUBJECT: Appointment of Assistant Commissioner for the

Office of Assessment

DATE: September 12, 2017

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Issue for Decision

Will the Board of Regents approve my appointment of Steven Katz to the position of Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Assessment?

Reason for Consideration

Steven Katz will bring to the Assistant Commissioner position extensive knowledge and experience in New York State's Assessment program and has over 25 years of experience with the Department. Steve started with the Department as an Assistant in Educational Testing where he advised school administrators, teachers, parents and students concerning the administration of Regents examinations. He then held the position of Bureau Chief and then as the Director of the Office of State Assessment, which he held for over 10 years. Steven's extensive experience and vast knowledge of test development and test administration will make him an asset as he serves in this role.

Proposed Handling

The Board of Regents will review Mr. Katz's credentials and experience in Executive Session on September 12, 2017.

Recommendation

I recommend that you take the following action:

VOTED, that the Board of Regents approve the appointment of Steven Katz to the position of Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Assessment.