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Chief Judge Announces Compensation Commission Appointees

NEW YORK—Chief Judge Janet DiFiore has appointed Michael A. Cardozo, Esq. and Hon. Randall T. Eng to the New York State Commission on Legislative, Judicial and Executive Compensation, an independent statutory body established every four years to examine and make recommendations regarding appropriate levels of salary compensation for New York State’s judges, state legislators and statewide elected officials. The Commission is made up of seven appointed members—three designated by the Governor, two by the Chief Judge, one by the President of the Senate and one by the Speaker of the Assembly. Mr. Cardozo will serve as Chair of the Commission.

“We are most fortunate to have two such highly esteemed, accomplished individuals to assume these important posts. Each brings tremendous expertise, wisdom and integrity to the critical work of the Commission,” said Chief Judge DiFiore.

Michael A. Cardozo is a litigation partner at Proskauer Rose LLP and former New York City Corporation Counsel who has vast experience in the workings of the New York State court system. He presently sits on the boards of Citizen’s Union and Sanctuary for Families. Mr. Cardozo previously served as President of the New York City Bar Association, as chair of both the Fund for Modern Courts and the Columbia Law School Board of Visitors, and as head of two court system task forces.

Justice Eng is Of Counsel to Meyer, Suozzi, English & Klein, P.C., and a member of the Litigation Department. Previously, he served as Presiding Justice of the Appellate Division, Second Department. Early in his legal career, he was an Assistant District Attorney in Queens County. He later served as Inspector General of the New York City Correction Department. In 1983, he became the first Asian-American judge in New York State, upon his appointment to the New York City Criminal Court bench. He was subsequently designated an Acting State Supreme Court Justice, and later elected and re-elected to terms on the State Supreme Court bench. He also served as Administrative Judge of Queens County's Supreme Court-Criminal Term. He is a former President of the Association of Supreme Court Justices of the City of New York.

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