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Taa R. Grays, Esq., Appointed to Judicial Conduct Commission

Senate Minority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins has appointed Taa R. Grays, Esq., to the New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct for a term ending March 31, 2020.

Ms. Grays is a graduate of Harvard University, *cum laude*, and Georgetown University Law Center. She is Vice President & Associate General Counsel for Information Governance at MetLife, Inc., having served in other senior positions at MetLife since 2003. She previously served as an Assistant District Attorney in the Bronx. Ms. Grays is 1st Judicial District Vice President of the New York State Bar Association and serves on the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Black Bar Association, where she previously served as president. She has received numerous awards and recognition for her leadership in bar and diversity endeavors.

Ms. Grays succeeds Richard D. Emery, Esq., who recently left the Commission after serving for thirteen years.

Additional information on Ms. Grays and the other members of the Commission can be found on the Commission's website: www.cjc.ny.gov.

Background on the Commission

The Commission was established in 1978 by the New York State Constitution to review complaints of misconduct and disability against judges and justices of the State Unified Court System and, where appropriate, to discipline publicly those judges found to have engaged in misconduct.

The Commission is composed of 11 members, all of whom serve without pay. The Governor appoints four members (two of whom must be non-lawyers/non-judges), the Chief Judge of the State of New York appoints three members (all of whom must be judges) and the four leaders of the State Legislature appoint one each.

The Commission has a full-time staff operating from offices in New York City, Albany and Rochester.

MEMBERS OF THE STATE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Member	Appointing Authority	Term End
Joseph W. Belluck, Esq., Chair	Governor Andrew M. Cuomo	March 31, 2020
Paul B. Harding, Esq., Vice Chair	Assembly Minority Leader Brian M. Kolb	March 31, 2021
Hon. Rolando T. Acosta	Former Chief Judge Jonathan Lippman	March 31, 2018
Joel Cohen, Esq.	Former Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver	March 31, 2018
Jodie Corngold	Governor Andrew M. Cuomo	March 31, 2019
Taa R. Grays	Senate Minority Leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins	March 31, 2020
Hon. Thomas A. Klonick	Former Chief Judge Jonathan Lippman	March 31, 2017
Hon. Leslie G. Leach	Chief Judge Janet DiFiore	March 31, 2020
Richard A. Stoloff, Esq.	Former Senate President Pro Tem Dean Skelos	March 31, 2019
Hon. David A. Weinstein	Governor Andrew M. Cuomo	March 31, 2018
Akosua Garcia Yeboah	Governor Andrew M. Cuomo	March 31, 2021