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#### **WESTCHESTER COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY-ELECT TRANSITION TEAM**

RIVERDALE, NY: (November 17, 2020) Joy Solomon, Esq., Director and Managing Attorney of the Weinberg Center for Elder Justice, was named to the transition team of Mimi Rocah, Westchester County District Attorney-Elect. In this role, Ms. Solomon will lend her voice for elder justice within Rocah's Victim Support & Advocacy committee.

The purpose of the team is to ensure a smooth transition as Rocah takes office on January 1, 2021, and to develop innovative approaches to public safety, increased transparency and community involvement.

"I am honored and humbled to be asked to join this committee of criminal justice experts and community representatives," said Solomon.

Ms. Solomon founded The Weinberg Center for Elder Justice at the Hebrew Home at Riverdale in 2004. She was previously Director of Elder Abuse Services at the Pace Women's Justice Center and an Assistant District Attorney in Manhattan, where she served for eight years.

The Weinberg Center for Elder Justice is comprised of a multi-disciplinary professional team that brings together expertise in the law, therapeutic and social services and public health to identify existing knowledge and service gaps and develop nuanced techniques and strategies. All with the voices of older adults informing their work.

Ms. Solomon is a frequent speaker and writer on the issue of elder justice, including to the United States Senate, Special Commission on Aging. Screening for elder abuse detection in health care and legal systems has been her priority. In addition to developing evidence-based screening protocols in long-term care, Weinberg Center Risk and Abuse Prevention Screen (WC-RAPS), she co-authored and published two research papers relating to evidence-based screening for elder abuse. Ms. Solomon was a founder of the Elder Abuse Committee on the Elder Law Section of the New York Bar Association, and in 2017, was awarded the National Crime Victims Service Award by the United States Department of Justice. Ms. Solomon was recognized with an Award of Distinction in Public Service by the New York Law Journal, and in 2010 received The New York State Bar Association award for Excellence in Public Service.

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