



CHAIRMAN'S MEMORANDUM

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**TO: SHERIFFS, COMMISSIONERS OF CORRECTION, JAIL ADMINISTRATORS,
TRAINING COORDINATORS**

RE: ADDITIONS TO THE COMMISSION'S STAFF

The Commission is pleased to announce the appointment of seven new staff members to the Bureau of Field Operations and the Support Services Unit. All were carefully recruited and screened for their experience, their exceptional skills and their ability to work smoothly with correctional and juvenile justice executives and staff throughout New York State. The Commission believes that they will be an excellent resource for New York's correctional establishment for many years to come.

Kelly Clark

Kelly Clark began her career with New York State in 1981 with the State University of New York at Albany. She brings a wide range of skills to the Commission and extensive experience, having also worked at the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation and the New York State Office of Real Property Services. She is a graduate of Albany Business College. Kelly will serve in the Support Services Unit.

Elisha 'E.L.' Hamilton

E.L. Hamilton comes to the Commission from the Washington County Correctional Facility, where he served as a Sergeant and the Training Coordinator. He was a senior member of the Washington County Correctional Facility Transition Team, charged with responsibility for planning, opening and managing the transition to full operations of the new Washington County Correctional Facility. His criminal justice career began as a correction officer in 1993 at the Washington County Correctional Facility with progressively responsible positions held there through to the present. E.L. also serves as a village Police Officer.

Janet Judge, R.N.

Janet Judge is a highly trained and experienced registered professional nurse who began her career in hospital nursing in 1975. More recently Janet served as a consultant to the New York State Department of Health as a Health Care Surveyor. Janet was appointed in 2000 as a Nurse Administrator in the New York State Department of Correctional Services, where she participated in oversight of nursing practices, quality improvement, chronic disease management and interpretation of health service policy in the state prison system. Janet also served as a medical investigator for the Department of Correctional Services in the forensic medical aspects of unusual incidents and inmate mortality. Janet holds a Masters of Science - Nursing. She will join the Forensic Medical Unit.

Joyce McCullough

Joyce McCullough has enjoyed a long and successful career with Alcoa Fastening Systems in Kingston, New York. During her 26 years with that firm she served as an accounting clerk and later an administrative specialist reporting to the company director. Joyce joins the Commission's Support Services Unit in her first New York State appointment.

Erin Purdy

Erin Purdy embarks on her second tour of service with the Commission. She originally joined the agency from the Schenectady County Sheriff's Department, having served there since 1994 as a Correction Officer, Correction Sergeant and Training Supervisor. Erin most recently left her position as Community Service Program Coordinator at the Law, Order and Justice Center to rejoin the Commission.

Angel Rivera

Angel Rivera joins the Commission after completing a long and successful career with the New York City Department of Correction. Angel started his career with the Department of Correction in 1987 as a Correction Officer and after promotion to Captain, served as Administrative Assistant to the Chief of the Department, then Executive Assistant to the Chief of the Department. He was then appointed Special Assistant to the Commissioner in 2000 and became a Team Leader-Auditor in the Inspectional Services and Compliance Division in 2003. Angel has been a certified auditor and has attended Utica College and New York University. He will join the staff of the New York City field office.

Kathleen Shea

Kathleen Shea comes to the Commission after a successful career at the executive level of Albany Medical Center and Albany Medical College. First employed there in 1980, Kathleen provided administrative support services to a Division Head. After 18 years of progressively responsible experience, Kathleen moved on to become executive assistant to the President of the New York State Building Officials Conference. Kathleen comes to the Commission from the New York State Department of State. Kathleen joins the Commission in its Support Services Unit.

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