

January 17, 2012

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE  
REPORT NO. 1

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT, EXCEPT LEGISLATOR RATH.  
CHAIR GRANT PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following items are hereby received and filed:

- a. COMM. 16E-6 (2011)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
“Non-Partisan, Independent Committee on Reapportionment”  
(5-0)
- b. COMM. 20E-4 (2011)  
**COMPTROLLER:** “Copy of Letter to County Attorney Concerning Waste, Fraud & Abuse Tip Line Communication”  
(5-0)
- c. COMM. 20D-1 (2011)  
**COMPTROLLER'S OFFICE:** “Copy of Letter to Commissioner McLaughlin Concerning Waste, Fraud & Abuse Tip Line Communication”  
(5-0)
- d. COMM. 20D-2 (2011)  
**COUNTY ATTORNEY:** “Copy of Letter to Comptroller Concerning Waste, Fraud & Abuse Tip Line Communication”  
(5-0)
- e. COMM. 20D-5 (2011)  
**COUNTY ATTORNEY:** “Transmittal of New Claims Against EC”  
(5-0)
- f. COMM. 20D-7 (2011)  
**COUNTY ATTORNEY:** “Transmittal of New Claims Against EC”  
(5-0)
- g. COMM. 20D-8 (2011)  
**COUNTY ATTORNEY:** “Transmittal of New Claims Against EC”  
(5-0)

- h. COMM. 20M-4 (2011)  
**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, FULTON COUNTY:** “Copy of Resolution Requesting State Comptroller to Reform the Funding Policy for the NYS Common Retirement Fund”  
(5-0)
- i. INTRO 22-2 (2011)  
**MILLER-WILLIAMS:** “Requesting a Complete Accounting Regarding Recent Events at the Board of Elections that Call into Question the Integrity of Elections in EC”  
(5-0)
- j. COMM. 22D-1 (2011)  
**COUNTY ATTORNEY:** “Transmittal of New Claims Against EC”  
(5-0)
- k. COMM. 23D-1 (2011)  
**COUNTY ATTORNEY:** “Transmittal of New Claims Against EC”  
(5-0)
- l. COMM. 23M-2 (2011)  
**ASSIGNED COUNSEL PROGRAM:** “Copy of Quarterly Report for the 3rd Quarter of 2011”  
(5-0)
- m. COMM. 27D-1 (2011)  
**COUNTY ATTORNEY:** “Transmittal of New Claims Against EC”  
(5-0)
- n. COMM. 27D-2 (2011)  
**COUNTY ATTORNEY:** “Transmittal of New Claims Against EC”  
(5-0)
- o. COMM. 1E-32 (2012)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE:** “Appointment of EC Director of Central Data Processing”  
(5-0)
- p. COMM. 1D-3 (2012)  
**COUNTY ATTORNEY:** “Transmittal of New Claims Against EC”  
(5-0)

- q. COMM. 1D-4 (2012)  
**COUNTY ATTORNEY:** “Transmittal of New Claims Against EC”  
(5-0)
- r. COMM. 1D-5 (2012)  
**COUNTY ATTORNEY:** “Transmittal of New Claims Against EC”  
(5-0)
- s. COMM. 1M-17 (2012)  
**LEWIS COUNTY LEGISLATURE:** “Copy of Resolution Calling Upon NYS Association of Counties' Executive Committee to Prepare & Disseminate an Action Plan to Bring Mandate Relief to NYS Counties”  
(5-0)
2. COMM. 24E-17 (2011)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
WHEREAS, the Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo Inc. has a 2010 general fund surplus of \$32,216.24;  
and
- WHEREAS, the County contract with said agency allows for retention of any operating surplus in the next fiscal year, subject to approval of the Legislature; and
- WHEREAS, the Legal Aid Bureau will utilize said funds to provide State mandated indigent defense services.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT
- RESOLVED, that the Erie County Legislature does hereby authorize the Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo Inc., to retain their 2010 general fund surplus of \$32,216.24 for 2011 operational needs in the Indigent Defense Program; and be it further
- RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Office of the County Attorney, the Office of the Comptroller, the County Executive’s Office and the Division of Budget and Management.  
(5-0)

3. COMM. 1E-13 (2012)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of Michael Siragusa as Erie County Attorney.  
(5-0)
4. COMM. 1E-16 (2012)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of David Palmer as Erie County Commissioner of Labor Relations.  
(5-0)
5. COMM. 1E-20 (2012)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature hereby confirms the reappointment of Sawrie Becker as Erie County Commissioner of Public Advocacy.  
(5-0)
6. COMM. 1E-22 (2012)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of Vallie Ferraraccio as Erie County Director of Purchase.  
(5-0)
7. COMM. 1E-24 (2012)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature hereby confirms the reappointment of Steven Schwartz as Member of Erie County Board of Ethics for a term expiring 12/31/2014.  
(5-0)
8. COMM. 1E-29 (2012)  
**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**  
RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of Carlos Benitez as Erie County Veterans Service Officer.  
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9. COMM. 1E-31 (2012)

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE**

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature hereby confirms the appointment of Jesse Burnette as Director of Equal Employment Opportunity.

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**THOMAS J. MAZUR  
CHAIR**