



ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

HON. JOSEPH C. LORIGO
10TH DISTRICT LEGISLATOR
MINORITY LEADER

November 9, 2018

Legislator Patrick Burke
Erie County Legislature – Chairman of the Government Affairs Committee
92 Franklin Street – 4th Floor
Buffalo, New York 14202

Dear Chair Burke,

On October 2, 2018, the County Executive submitted to the County Legislature a recommendation for appointment to the Erie County Board of Ethics.

The appointment letter for Brian W. Downey was received and referred to the Government Affairs Committee for consideration. There were no meetings of the Government Affairs Committee in the month of October to discuss the item. Additionally, the item has not been voted on at a regular session of the legislature. To this day, the item remains in committee.

Section 3.09 of the Erie County Administrative Code states that county executive appointments not acted upon by the legislature is deemed effective after 30 days of notification. Because there has been no legislative action on this item as of the date of this communication, the appointment of Brian W. Downey was deemed effective November 2, 2018, for a term expiring December 31, 2022.

I'm requesting that we have a discussion with Mr. Downey at the next Government Affairs Committee to review his resume and what he brings to the Board of Ethics.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Joseph C. Lorigo".

Joseph C. Lorigo
Erie County Legislature Minority Leader