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ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE

July 18, 2018

HON. LYNNE DIXON

LEGISLATOR
DISTRICT 9

Dan Hocoy, Ph.D.
President
SUNY Erie
121 Ellicott Street
Buffalo, NY 14202

Dear President Hocoy,

Attached is a release from Lemire LLC setting up a hot line asking for information relative to the allegations of rape brought against the former Department of Social Services Commissioner Al Dirschberger.

The hotline has been established for county employees, contractors and members of the public to anonymously report any information regarding claims or complaints against Mr. Dirschberger's behavior during his time as a public servant both as Social Services Commissioner and during his tenure as a professor at Erie Community College.

It has been brought to my attention that you have already opened an internal investigation with a local law firm to look into Mr. Dirschberger's conduct as an employee of Erie Community College. To aid in both investigations, I ask that you forward the attached information in a college wide email so that faculty, students and employees of ECC have the opportunity to report any claims or complaints they may have against Professor Dirschberger.

I appreciate your attention in this matter and look forward to your anticipated cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lynne M. Dixon", is written over the typed name.

Lynne M. Dixon
Erie County Legislator
Member of the Erie County Legislature's Special Investigation Committee

ERIE COUNTY SEXUAL HARASSMENT HOTLINE – (646) 979-4114

JULY 12, 2018

The Lemire Law Firm has been retained as Special Investigative Counsel to the Erie County Legislature and is providing legal and investigatory services concerning the alleged actions of Albert Dirschberger, the County's former Commissioner of Social Services.

In connection with this investigation, Lemire Law Firm has established a hotline through which County employees, County contractors, or members of the public are able to report any information about claims or complaints relating to Albert Dirschberger's behavior with County employees, including any claims regarding sexual harassment.

All calls to the hotline go directly to investigators at Lemire Law Firm.

All calls are confidential and callers may remain anonymous.

If you have any relevant information, please call the Hotline at (646) 979-4114.