MEDIA ADVISORY

New York State Commission on Legislative, Judicial and Executive Compensation

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NEW YORK- The New York State Commission on Legislative, Judicial and Executive Compensation will hold a public meeting on **October 14, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.**. The meeting will take place via Skype in light of the on-going COVID-19 pandemic. The Commission does not plan on hearing any live witness testimony at the meeting.

The Commission has not made **any** determination as to whether legislative, judicial or executive compensation should be increased, particularly in light of the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. Rather, the Commission is holding this meeting because the governing statute requires that it make a report to the New York Legislature and Governor by November 15, as to whether such compensation should be increased, and if so by what amount.

All Commission meetings are open to the public. Accordingly, the public will be able to listen to the meeting remotely, and a recording of the meeting as well as a transcript will be posted to the commission website. Information on listening to the Skype call will be posted at http://nyscommissiononcompensation.org shortly before the call.

You may contact the Commission by email at nyscompensation@gmail.com.

The Commission is an independent body tasked with examining, evaluating and making recommendations with respect to compensation for New York State's judges, members of the state legislature and state officials named in section 169 of the Executive Law. The recommendations shall have the force of law unless modified or abrogated by legislation prior to taking effect. The Commission must make a recommendation as to judicial, legislative and executive compensation, by November 15, 2020.

Every four years, the Commission is established with seven appointed members, three designated by the Governor, one by the President Pro Tempore of the New York State Senate, one by the Speaker of the New York State Assembly and two by the Chief Judge of the New York State Court of Appeals, one of whom serves as chair of the Commission.