

George Latimer
County Executive

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the membership of the Westchester County Domestic Violence Council:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, George Latimer, County Executive of Westchester County, in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Westchester County Charter, appoint Komal Choksi, 12 Baldwin Lane, Scarsdale, New York as an at-large member of the Westchester County Domestic Violence Council, for the term March 8, 2022 to December 31, 2024.

Given under my hand
and seal this 8th day
of March, 2022.



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March 8, 2022

Ms. Komal Choksi
12 Baldwin Lane
Scarsdale, NY 10583

Dear Ms. Choksi,

It is my pleasure to appoint you to serve as an at-large member of the Westchester County Domestic Violence Council, effective today, Tuesday, March 8, 2022, pursuant to the Laws of Westchester County §277.601. This appointment is for a term to expire on December 31, 2024.

Your appointment is subject to confirmation by the Westchester County Board of Legislators, but your service begins immediately. You must complete the attached Oath of Office and file it with the County Clerk prior to the next Domestic Violence Council meeting, and provide this office with a copy within 30 days. Please contact the Westchester County Office for Women at (914) 995-5972 for the date, place, and time of the Domestic Violence Council's upcoming meeting for your participation.

When you have filed your Oath of Office, a Resolution to confirm your appointment will be submitted to the County Board of Legislators. As part of the confirmation process, you may be called before the Board to be interviewed.

Pursuant to Local Law, as a member of a Westchester County Board and/or Commission, you are responsible for adhering to the requirements of our Code of Ethics.

Warmest wishes for a successful tenure.

Very Truly Yours,

George Latimer
Westchester County Executive

GL/ts

cc: Honorable Board of Legislators
Robin Schlaff, Director – Office for Women
Joan McDonald, Director of Operations

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September 17, 2021

Robin Schlaff
Director of Office for Women
Westchester County, NY

Re: Office of Women Advisory Committee

Dear Ms. Schlaff,

I am writing to express an interest in serving on the Domestic Violence Council. I have been a resident of Westchester County for 17 years. I run my own small business with my husband and also work with the Scarsdale Adult School. I have been involved mainly with Southeast Asian (Indian) women across Westchester County in various capacities. I have been a member of Indian American Cultural Association of Westchester (IACAW) and the India Center of Westchester.

I am a founding member and an administrator of a Facebook group, "Women for Social Change" which has over 6000 members from all over the US and the world. The objective of this group is-

- to focus on women's empowerment.
- work towards improving the quality of life of women by creating awareness about the rights of women and encourage them to advocate for themselves.
- give women a judgement-free safe space to express themselves and ask questions.
- provide information for self-improvement – in education, health, career and family life.
- organize collection drives during Thanksgiving and Christmas, for women and children living in shelters.
- organized ZOOM events where healthcare professionals answered questions and offered advice on women's health focusing mainly on menopause, mental health and other women related health concerns.

- act as a conduit for women who need help in finding the right resources like doctors, lawyers, therapists, psychiatrists etc.
- organized events where women who are in abusive marriages or relationships, talk with others who have been through similar situations but have managed to overcome and improve their lives.
- organized lectures (both in person and on ZOOM) where we invited psychologists and psychiatrists to talk about recognizing and understanding domestic abuse, how to ask for help, and how to work towards improving their lives.
- organized events – both in-person and on online (on ZOOM) with organizations like AWAKE (Asian Woman’s Alliance for Kinship & Equality) that specialize in helping Southeast Asian-American women of domestic abuse learn their rights, options and seek guidance.

I have worked diligently to unite the Southeast Asian women community and help them assimilate with the local community. In doing so, I started the first ever local Facebook group, “Desi Women of Westchester & Fairfield” for women of Southeast Asian heritage. The objective of this group is to promote cultural awareness, provide information to various resources, connect women owners of small businesses and help build a strong sense of community and service.

I understand the needs of women, especially those of Southeast Asian heritage. I am confident that I can be a valuable asset to the Advisory Board – Domestic Violence Council and work to the best of my abilities and experience to bring about positive changes in the community.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely Yours,



Komal Choksi

COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER
OATH OF OFFICE 47-22
For Appointees to County Boards and Commissions

STATE OF NEW YORK)
) ss.:
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER)

I, KOMAL CHOKSI do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support
(Print or Type Name)

the constitution of the United States, and the constitution of the State of New York, and that I will
faithfully discharge the duties of the office of AT-LARGE MEMBER OF THE in and for the
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COUNCIL
County of Westchester, according to the best of my ability.

Date: 03-16-22

[Signature]
(Signature)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16th day of March,
2022.

[Signature]
(Signature)

Bridget A. Dequan
(Print or Type Name)

Notary Public
(Title of Official Administering Oath)

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MAR 16 2022
TIMOTHY G. DDONI
COUNTY CLERK
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

Bridget A. Dequan
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 04DE6246735
Qualified in Westchester County
Commission Expires August 15, 2023

Mail original Oath of Office to Office to Andrew Ferris, Office of the County Executive, 148 Martine Ave., Room 916D, White Plains, NY 10601 for filing within thirty (30) days of the commencement of the term of office or the notice of appointment.