LOCAL LAW INTRO. NO. 2025

A LOCAL LAW amending Chapter 186 of the Laws of Westchester County relating to the qualifications for an Assigned Counsel Administrator in the Independent Office of Assigned Counsel.

BE IT ENACTED by the County Board of the County of Westchester as follows:

Section 1. Section 186.61 (a) of the Laws of Westchester County is amended to read as follows:

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Sec. 186.61. Assigned Counsel Administrator; appointment, qualifications, term

- a. The Board of Directors shall appoint an Assigned Counsel Administrator subject to the approval of the County Executive and confirmation of the Board of Legislators. Any person so appointed shall be an attorney in good standing, licensed in the State of New York and admitted to practice for at least ten (10) years, who possesses administrative experience, skill in the prosecution and/or defense representation of criminal defendants, respondents in juvenile delinquency matters and/or adults in Family law matters and who demonstrates integrity and commitment to quality representation of public defense clients;
- b. The Administrator shall serve full time and shall not engage in the private practice of law during their appointment;
- c. The Administrator shall serve a term of four (4) years subject to reappointment at the discretion of the Board of Directors;
- d. The Administrator may be removed for cause by the Board of Directors, after notice and an opportunity to be heard pursuant to procedures established by the Board of Directors.

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§2. This Local Law shall take effect immediately.

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