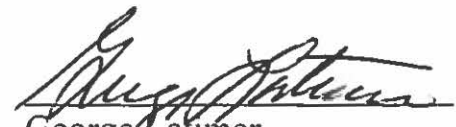


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WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the membership of the Westchester County Advisory Council on People with Disabilities, due to the newly created Council:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, George Latimer, County Executive of Westchester County, in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Westchester County Charter, appoint Carin Horowitz, LMSW, 18 Cross Way, Purdys, New York as a learning disability advocate member of the Westchester County Advisory Council on People with Disabilities, for the term April 21, 2021 to December 31, 2021.

Given under my hand
and seal this 21st day
of April, 2021.



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April 21, 2021

Ms. Carin Horowitz, LMSW
18 Cross Way
Purdys, NY 10578

Dear Ms. Horowitz,

It is my pleasure to appoint you to serve as a learning disability advocate member of the Westchester County Advisory Council on People with Disabilities, effective today, Wednesday, April 21, 2021, pursuant to Act No. 215-2019 of the laws of Westchester County. This appointment is for a term to expire on December 31, 2021.

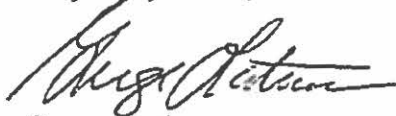
Your appointment is subject to confirmation by the Westchester County Board of Legislators, but your service begins immediately. You must complete the attached Oath of Office and file it with the County Clerk prior to the next Advisory Council on People with Disabilities meeting, and provide this office with a copy within 30 days. Please contact the Office for People with Disabilities at (914) 995-2957 for the date, place, and time of the next Advisory Council on People with Disabilities 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, which includes the annual filing of a financial disclosure statement with the County Board of Ethics. A financial disclosure form is attached.

Warmest wishes for a successful tenure.

Very Truly Yours,



George Latimer
Westchester County Executive

GL/ts

cc: Honorable Board of Legislators
Evan Latainer, Director – Office for People with Disabilities
Joan McDonald, Director of Operations

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CARIN HOROWITZ, LMSW

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EXPERIENCE

May 2019-present: Bedford Central School District, Bedford, NY

Transition Specialist

- Provide direct support to all students accessing special education services district wide to inform transition
- Information and referral to community services and post high school opportunities
- Develop policies and procedures to bring district into compliance with NYS Dept. of Education regulations
- Collaborate with school personnel and families to support students in transition
- Develop and lead educational workshops for staff and parents related to transition for students with disabilities
- Participant in NYS Inclusive Higher Education Initiative

May 2016-August 2019: The Arc Westchester, Hawthorne, NY

Transition Services Director

- Provided support, guidance, information and referral to families of transition aged students with disabilities
- Collaborated with school personnel to support families in transition
- Coordinate educational conferences and vendor fairs relating to the needs of transition aged individuals
- Led transition workshops for students, parents and school personnel
- Participant in NYS Inclusive Higher Education Initiative
- Active member of the RSE-TASC Transition Specialist Network

March 2015-May 2016: Ability Beyond, Bethel, CT

Project Manager - Temporary grant funded position

- Responsible for overall planning and implementation of two state grants (CT and NY) focused on technology for people with disabilities
- Led team of 10 administrators overseeing various work groups in targeted projects for each grant
- Coordinated transition program for families to prepare for shift from school to adult services

August 2010-May 2014: Manhattanville College, Purchase, NY

Director of Disability Services

- Evaluated educational, psychological and medical documentation of disability to determine eligibility for service and develop individualized support needs for 200 students
- Provided academic, career and personal counseling for registered students
- Hired and supervised thirteen person team of professional tutors, testing staff and student employees
- Trained faculty and staff on disability law and reasonable accommodation provisions
- Collaborated with campus support services to increase service availability and assistive technology to students with disabilities
- Developed campus policies related to current disability laws and best practices
- Supervised testing center for all accommodated testing for students with disabilities
- Served as campus Title IX Coordinator (August 2012-September 2013) investigating claims of sexual harassment and gender discrimination
- Led workshops for parents of high school students on disability rights accommodations in college

September 2005-June 2011: Hunter College School of Social Work, City University of New York, New York, NY

Adjunct Faculty Advisor (part-time)

- Provided academic and career advisement for ten graduate level students each semester
- Served as intermediary between student field placement and school

January 2007-July 2010: Richmond Community Services, Mount Kisco, NY

Program Manager

- Responsible for overall operation of mobility-focused day program supporting 17 adults with intellectual, developmental and physical disabilities
- Compiled and analyzed data to evaluate both individual and program growth; identified areas of need
- Hired and supervised team of ten direct support professionals, two supervisors and a physical therapist
- Served as agency investigator for claims of abuse and neglect by staff

August 2004-January 2007: Bronx Community College of The City University of New York, Bronx, NY
Acting Director of Disability Programs and Services (October 2005-January 2007)

Assistant Director of Disability Programs and Services (August 2004-October 2005)

- Provided accommodations and support services for 250 students with disabilities
- Provided academic, career and personal counseling for registered students
- Evaluated educational, psychological and medical documentation of disability to determine eligibility for service and develop individualized support needs
- Hired and supervised twelve person team of tutors, interns and college assistants

February 2003 – August 2004: New York Lawyers for the Public Interest, New York, NY
Disability Rights Advocate

- Provided information and advocacy for clients with varying disabilities
- Collaborated with attorneys on large scale disability policy change efforts

September 2001-January 2003: Blythedale Children's Hospital, Valhalla, NY
Hospital Social Worker

- Provided family support services, crisis intervention counseling and referrals to community resources
- Produced psychosocial assessments and case documentation as part of a multidisciplinary team

May 1998-August 2001: AHRC, New York, NY

Special Education Advocate

- Designed and implemented peer advocacy training program for parents of children with disabilities
- Advocated on behalf of children with disabilities at school and district level meetings
- Provided information on special education law and procedural regulations to parents and professionals

Early Intervention Service Provider; part-time January 2000-July 2006

- Wrote social history reports based on home visits as part of initial evaluation for services

June 1997-May 1998: Abbott House, Irvington, NY

Therapeutic Foster Care Social Worker

- Organized and managed complete client care for 12 children with emotional disabilities
- Developed and recorded extensive case plans, behavior plans, court reports and family assessments

July 1996-June 1997: The Salvation Army, Yonkers, NY

Director of Social Services

- Provided case counseling, crisis intervention and community educational workshops
- Supervised weekly food pantry serving 60 families, including training and supervision of 18 volunteers

EDUCATION

City University of New York, School of Professional Studies, New York, NY

Advanced Graduate Certificate in Disability Studies, 2017

City University of New York, Hunter College School of Social Work, New York, NY

Post-Master's Certificate in Nonprofit Administration, 2004

Master of Social Work, Dual Major – Community Organization and Group Work, 1996

University of Delaware, Newark, DE

Bachelor of Science in Education, Major - Special Education 1994

Phi Sigma Pi Honor Fraternity (community service chair), Kappa Delta Pi Education Honor Society

CERTIFICATIONS

Licensed Master of Social Work, New York State, 1996

Certified MSW Field Instructor, 1999

Certified School Social Worker, provisional, New York State, held 1996-2015

Certified Special Education Teacher, provisional, held 1996-2009

