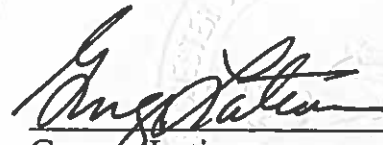


George Latimer
County Executive

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 Jeffrey Zitofsky, 1 Franklin Avenue, Apt. 2DD, White Plains, New York as a member of the Westchester County Advisory Council on People with Disabilities, for the term August 7, 2020 to December 31, 2021.

Given under my hand
and seal this 7th day
of August, 2020.



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County Executive

August 7, 2020

Mr. Jeffrey Zitofsky
1 Franklin Avenue, Apt. 2DD
White Plains, NY 10601

Dear Mr. Zitofsky,

It is my pleasure to appoint you to serve as a mental health disability advocate member of the Westchester County Advisory Council on People with Disabilities, effective today, Friday, August 7, 2020, 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

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

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TRAINER • ADVOCATE • CATALYST

Accomplishing a career that includes advertising, teaching, the creative arts, and peer work. Seeking people with whom I can continue applying my personal and professional experiences to evaluate, create, facilitate, and deliver services that support each other in the field, community, class and boardrooms, and on the stage.

Personal philosophy is informed by mutual support, "use everything, deny nothing", "curiosity before judgement," Newton's Third Law of Motion, and gratitude.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

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| • Training | • Developing Jobs and Internships | • Wellness Planning |
| • Curriculum & Lesson Designing | • Disability Benefits Consulting | • Care Coordinating |
| • Supervising and Co-Supervising | • Advocating for Social Services | • Advertising |
| • Improvising and Acting | • Speaking and Performing Publicly | • Singing/Songwriting |
| • Developing and Managing Programs | • Facilitating and Co-Facilitating | • Cooking Vegetarian |
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KEY ACCOMPLISHMENTS & CERTIFICATIONS

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- **TRAINED IN INTENTIONAL PEER SUPPORT, HEARING VOICES, MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID**
 - **New York State 2011 Case Management Employee of the Year AID • Art Lewis Award for Community Service 2017**
 - **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS** – International Association of Peer Specialists National Conference in San Antonio (2015), and in Philadelphia (2016) • Behavioral Health Peer Conference at Hunter College in New York City (2015)
 - **MEMBER OF THE BOARD FOR MID HUDSON REGIONAL PLANNING CONSORTIUM (RPC)**
 - **NEW YORK STATE CERTIFIED WORK INCENTIVES PRACTITIONER (CWIP)**
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

WESTCHESTER INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTER, White Plains, NY

4/2018 – Present

Started Consulting as a Trainer on Disability Pride and Cultural Competence. Moved into a full-time position.

Peer Advocate, Trainer, NY State CWIP

- Link people with and support them to find service providers for housing, employment, and their rights.
- New York State Certified Work Incentives Practitioner to deliver SSDI and SSI benefits counseling.
- Co-Develop and Co-Facilitate WILC's new Partners For Success Training.
- Deliver SSDI and SSI Benefits Training to Peer Programs.

SEARCH FOR CHANGE, Valhalla, NY

1/2017 - Present

Consultant

Lead and practice peer co-supervision and support with Peers in their agency.

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT SERVICES OF WESTCHESTER, Port Chester, NY

4/2016 - 5/2019

Collaborated with CEO and CPO to create a new position that allows me to use my experience in training, curriculum development, peer support, advertising, professional acting and singing, and program management.

PEER TRAINING SPECIALIST

- Develop new curriculum, create new advertising/public relations campaign, and facilitate HDSW's Peer Training.
- Facilitate and develop: one on one peer support, collaborative wellness and goal planning, community integration, crisis diversion, and peer respite.
- Lead the involvement of Peers into HDSW's new Living Room respite program.
- Co-facilitating HDSW's Trauma-Informed Practice Training and Mental Health First Aid.

COMMUNITY ACCESS/HOWIE THE HARP, New York, NY

2/2015 - 1/2016

Invited by the Director of Peer Services at Community Access to develop and co-teach a new training program.

CONSULTANT

- Facilitate the Academy of Peer Services (APS) training.
- Develop curriculum and lesson plans that add value to the APS curriculum.
- Train and support peers with technology.
- Collaborate with the Director of Peer Services to develop training and strategic initiatives.

MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION OF WESTCHESTER, Tarrytown, NY

10/2005 - 4/2016

Began as a part-time, evening receptionist and received three promotions before becoming a program coordinator and part of the agency's management team. Developed and facilitated the curriculum for a 28 lesson, 5 hour a week training program. Directed eight other staff to help facilitate the curriculum.

COORDINATOR OF PEER TRAINING

08/2013 - 4/2016

- Direct 8 staff to develop 14 weeks of peer training.
- Develop new relationships in and out of MHA Westchester for peer internships and employment.
- Co-design and co-facilitate new trainings to educate traditional service providers about the benefits of working with peers.
- Supervise peer trainee internships and MHA Adult Home Program's peer staff.
- Due to unique integration of the arts and best education practices into the training as well as personal philosophy, the training increased from 6 students to 22 and from 6 applicants per training to over 60.
- Co-develop and lead teach the Peer Training curriculum.
- Collaborate to obtain grants - awarded two grants after COO invited grantors to visit the training.

RECOVERY AND PEER SUPPORT SPECIALIST (6/2008 - 8/2013)

- Facilitate groups using artistic, educational and communication skills for adults using mental health services in a community center, adult homes, and throughout the community.

- Collaborate with the participants to conceive and achieve their wellness goals while connecting them with social services, and community, personal and educational supports.

RECEPTIONIST, Mount Kisco, NY

10/2005 – 6/2008

GRANVILLE COUNTY SCHOOLS/BUTNER STEM MIDDLE SCHOOL, Butner, NC

8/1999 – 6/2003

TEACHER OF SPEECH AND DRAMA, MUSIC

- Develop and implement lesson plans for storytelling, drama, reading, and music for Grades 5–8.
- Initiate and facilitate the Integration of lesson plans with other teachers.
- Create and facilitate after-school arts programming.
- Co-create Individual Education Plans for students with special needs.
- Awarded Granville County A+ Teacher Award and 1999 Rookie Teacher of the Year.

BRONNER SLOSBERG HUMPHREY DIRECT MARKETING, Boston, MA

1/1991–11/1998

BROUILLARD COMMUNICATIONS, DDB NEEDHAM WORLDWIDE ADVERTISING, New York, NY

CREATIVE ASSISTANT/COPYWRITER

- Conceive, write and produce print, television, radio, and direct marketing advertising for clients such as AT&T, IBM, Clairol, The American Gas Association, and Union Carbide.

EDUCATION & TRAINING

Graduate-Level Credits in Education

CITY UNIVERSITY OF NY BROOKLYN COLLEGE | Brooklyn, NY | 2009

Bachelor of Arts in Historical Studies

EMPIRE STATE COLLEGE–SUNY | Saratoga Springs, NY | 2008

Undergraduate and Graduate-Level Credits in Education

NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY | Durham, NC | 2008

Bachelor of Arts in Communication Studies

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT GREENSBORO | Greensboro, NC | 1990

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

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(Signature)

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.