

George Latimer  
County Executive

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the membership of the Westchester County Human Rights Commission, due to the resignation of Hon. David Imamura:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, George Latimer, County Executive of Westchester County, in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Westchester County Charter, appoint James S. Lin, 146 Mt. Joy Place, New Rochelle, New York as a member of the Westchester County Human Rights Commission, for the term March 8, 2023 to December 31, 2025.

Given under my hand  
and seal this 8<sup>th</sup> day  
of March, 2023.

  
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**George Latimer**  
County Executive

March 8, 2023

Mr. James S. Lin  
146 Mt. Joy Pl.  
New Rochelle, 10801

Dear Mr. Lin,

It is my pleasure to appoint you to serve as a member of the Westchester County Human Rights Commission effective today, Wednesday, March 8, 2023. This appointment is for a term to expire on December 31, 2025.

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 within 30 days, either by appearing at the County Clerk's office or mailing the signed and notarized form to our office.

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. Please contact the Human Rights Commission office at (914) 995-8287, for the date, place, and time of the upcoming meeting for your participation.

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 filing of a financial disclosure statement with the County Board of Ethics. Your financial disclosure information along with filing instructions, has been included.

Warmest wishes for a successful tenure.

Very Truly Yours,

George Latimer  
Westchester County Executive

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cc: Honorable Board of Legislators  
Tejash Sanchala, Exec. Director, Human Rights Commission  
Joan McDonald, Director of Operations

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# James S Lin

## Attorney

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### Experience

#### ***KINGS COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE BROOKLYN, NY***

***May 2017-October 2021***

Bureau Chief • Trial Bureau IV/Green Zone • February 2019 – October 2021

Supervised 25 to 30 attorneys – misdemeanor, grand jury, and felony prosecutors, and deputies – and 12 support staff – paralegals, clerks, and administrative assistants. The bureau handled the prosecution of general crimes for five New York City police precincts. The most serious offenses were attempted murders, vehicular manslaughters, armed robberies, assaults, burglaries, arsons, and gun possession. Evaluated and assigned felony cases/investigations. Managed and trained legal staff as they prepared cases for the grand jury and trial. Was responsible for determining plea offers, reviewing plea negotiations, and authorizing dismissals. Engaged in community outreach on behalf of the office, and worked with the NYPD to develop, maintain, and coordinate crime suppression initiatives.

First Deputy Bureau Chief • Trial Bureau III/Grey Zone • Trial Bureau IV/Green Zone •

May 2017 - January 2019

Assisted Bureau Chief in managing and training the legal staff and in monitoring, supervising, and enhancing the prosecution of felony cases, from arraignment to final disposition. Duties ranged from reviewing grand jury transcripts, editing legal motions and search warrants, to second-seating court proceedings (including trials) or helping to interview & evaluate witnesses/defendants/confidential informants. Supervised “on-call” senior prosecutors on night and weekend/holiday shifts, finding answers to legal questions or solutions to investigative problems on new crimes/investigations.

**NEW YORK COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE NEW YORK, NY  
August 1989-April 2017**

Homicide Prosecutor • Trial Bureau 60 • Summer 1989 – December 2006;  
April 2009 - April 2017

Lead prosecutor for investigations and prosecutions of homicides, police-related shootings, suspicious deaths, and various violent offenses. Secured convictions – via trials or plea negotiations – for murder, manslaughter, vehicular manslaughter, attempted murder, police misconduct, robberies, and assault. Supervised junior prosecutors in the complaint/intake bureau, and the cross-examination of defendants in the Grand Jury. Trained felony prosecutors regarding homicide investigations.

Assistant District Attorney • Investigative Division Bureau (IDC) Member •  
January 2007 – April 2009

Investigated money laundering, tax fraud, welfare fraud, and trademark counterfeiting. Collaborated with the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance, the New York State Banking Department, the Mayor's Office of Special Enforcement, and various Federal agencies, including the Joint Terrorism Task Force. Obtained over \$400,000 settlement in corporate tax fraud case and a judgment of restitution of over \$48,000 in a welfare fraud case

Task Force Member • Asian Gang Unit • November 2003 – December 2006

Worked with the NYPD and out-of-state agencies in efforts to locate suspects and potential informants/witnesses in unsolved homicides.

Criminal Court Supervisor • Trial Bureau 60 • August 2000 – August 2002

Supervised approximately 16 – 20 misdemeanor prosecutors within a Trial Bureau. Triaged, assigned, and oversaw misdemeanor cases handled by new attorneys. Taught and trained new prosecutors how to investigate and evaluate cases, how to interview witnesses & determine credibility, and how to prepare for hearings/trials. Prepared second year prosecutors for felony caseloads and coached them on Grand Jury practice.

Domestic Violence Coordinator • Trial Bureau 60 • January 1999 – March 2001

One of the first prosecutors appointed to spearhead a focus on Domestic Violence cases. Supervised 20 – 25 misdemeanor and felony domestic violence prosecutors within the Trial Bureau. Oversaw charging and plea-bargaining decisions. Trained prosecutors in domestic violence investigative techniques – with a focus on victim cooperation and support. Supervised Grand Jury presentations and trials.

Assistant District Attorney • Trial Bureau 60 • August 1989 – Summer 1999

General crimes prosecutor starting with misdemeanor offenses and then handling general felonies and Grand Jury presentations for offenses including armed robberies, attempted murders, assaults, burglaries, gun possession, car thefts, narcotics -related offenses, grand larcenies, and various domestic violence offenses. Was lead prosecutor on both jury and bench trials.

## Education

1989

Juris Doctor • Hofstra University School of Law • Hempstead, New York

Honors: Labor Law Review; Moot Court Board

Activities: Environmental Law Digest; founder of Hofstra University's chapter of the Asian Pacific American Law Students' Association (APALSA) – Spring 1989

1983

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science • University of Pennsylvania • Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

### Activities

Advisory Committee on Criminal Law and Procedure New York State

2010-Present

The committee is supervised by the New York State Office of Court Administration (OCA). Meetings are held from September through May. It recommends legislative proposals to the Chief Administrative Judge of New York State.

The Asian American Bar Association of New York (AABANY)

AABANY Anti-Asian Violence Task Force, Advocacy Member (March 2022 – Present)

Task Force members reach out to local Asian crime victims to explain the criminal justice system to them; establish communication between the victim and law enforcement; and recommend steps to enhance the victim's safety. The Task Force is also attempting to raise law enforcement's and the Courts' awareness of anti-Asian violence. It is also exploring ways to strengthen hate crime laws.

Board of Directors, Director (2011 – 2015)

Board's Compensation Committee, Member (2014)

Prosecutors' Co-Chair (2008 – 2013; 2015 – 2016)

Prosecutors' Committee, Co-Founder (2008)

Boy Scouts of America • Troop 15 • New Rochelle, New York

Scoutmaster (2017-Present)

Assistant Scoutmaster (2013- 2016)

**COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER  
OATH OF OFFICE**

**For Appointees to County Boards and Commissions**

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

I, JAMES S. LIN 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 HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION in and for the  
(Print or Type Board Name)

County of Westchester, according to the best of my ability.

Date: 3/30/2023 [Signature]  
(Signature)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 30 day of March,  
2023.

[Signature]  
(Signature)

TIMOTHY C. EDEN  
(Print or Type Name)

COURTNEY LEAK  
(Title of Official Administering Oath)

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.