



George Latimer
County Executive

WHEREAS, a vacancy exists in the membership of the Westchester County Human Rights Commission, due to the resignation of Dr. George Castellanos:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, George Latimer, County Executive of Westchester County, in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Westchester County Charter, appoint Sam D. Gomez-Despain, 67 S. Division Street, New Rochelle, New York as a member of the Westchester County Human Rights Commission, for the term July 8, 2021 to December 31, 2023.

Given under my hand
and seal this 8th day
of July, 2021.



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July 8, 2021

Mr. Sam D. Gomez-Despain
67 S. Division Street
New Rochelle, NY 10805

Dear Mr. Gomez-Despain,

It is my pleasure to appoint you to serve as a member of the Westchester County Human Rights Commission, effective today, Thursday, July 8, 2021, pursuant to the Laws of Westchester County §700.08. This appointment is for a term to expire on December 31, 2023.

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, and provide this office with a copy within 30 days. Please contact the office of the Westchester County Human Rights Commission at (914) 995-7710 for the date, place, and time of the Human Rights Commission'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, 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/tts

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

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Sam D. Gomez-Despain

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(Fluent in Spanish)

COMMUNITY AFILIATIONS

Westchester County LGBTQ Advisory Board, Westchester County, NY 2018 – Present

New Rochelle Pride - President

New Rochelle Community Network

New Rochelle Council of Community Services

EXPERIENCE

City of New Rochelle Youth Bureau, New Rochelle, NY 2008-Present

Senior Youth Worker

- Administration
 - Service Planning/Service Coordination
 - Program Reimbursements
 - Department Budgets
 - Grant Management
 - Policy Development
 - Public Relations – Social Media
 - New Youth Initiatives
 - Staff Development

- Program Management:
 - New Rochelle Youth Council
 - New Rochelle Youth Court
 - Higher Aims
 - New Rochelle My Brother's Keeper
 - Summer Youth Employment Program
 - Mentors in Blue Police/Youth Program

- Event Management:
 - Black History Award Ceremony
 - #BoyTalk & #GirlTalk Forum
 - Holocaust Remembrance Forum
 - Intergenerational Programs
 - Hispanic Heritage Award Ceremony
 - Summer in the City Fundraiser

City of New Rochelle, New Rochelle, NY

2018-Present

LGBTQ Community Liaison

- Staff Liaison to Advisory Board
- Quarterly LGBTQ Events
- Staff Training
- Community Outreach
- Human Rights Campaign Municipal Score Index Submission (103 score)

OATH OF OFFICE

Hernandez-Despain Sammy D
(Print Last Name) First Name Initial)

State of New York }
County of Westchester } ss:

I do solemnly affirm that I will support the Constitution of the United States, the
Constitution of the state of New York, and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of the
office of Westchester Human Rights Com.

according to the best of my ability [Signature] (signed)

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 29th day of July 2021

[Signature]
(Notary signature and stamp)

TEJASH V. SANCHALA
NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF NEW YORK
Registration No. 02SA6395071
Qualified in Westchester County
My Commission Expires 07/22/2023