

## **GOVERNOR MAKES NEW STAFF APPOINTMENTS:**

Governor Cuomo made the following new Senior Staff and Cabinet appointments:

Bill Mulrow - Secretary to the Governor (replacing Larry Schwartz). Mulrow was with Blackstone Asset Management on Wall Street, and is a former Democratic Candidate for State Comptroller (losing out to Alan Hevesi in the Primary).

Alphonso David - Counsel to the Governor (replacing Seth Agata and Mylan Denerstein). David is currently Deputy Secretary & Counsel for Civil Rights.

Mary Beth Labate - Director of the Division of the Budget (replacing Bob Megna, who is Acting Director of the NYS Thruway Authority). Labate was First Deputy Budget Director.

Jim Malatras - Director of State Operations (replacing Howard Glaser). Malatras returned to the Executive Chamber from SUNY.

Joe Percoco - Executive Deputy Secretary to the Governor. Percoco remains as one of the Governor's closest personal advisors.

Melissa DeRosa- Communications Director and Strategic Advisor to the Governor. DeRosa's portfolio has been expanded to include Strategic Advisor.

Howard Zucker - Commissioner of Health. Dr. Zucker has been Acting Health Commissioner.

Dennis Rosen - Medicaid Inspector General. Rosen has been Chair of the State Liquor Authority.

Howard Zensky - President & CEO of the Empire State Development Corporation. Zensky was Co-Chair of the Western NY Regional Economic Development Council.

Kenneth Adams - Commissioner of Taxation & Finance. Adams was head of ESDC.

***\*Note that Commissioner appointments are subject to NYS Senate confirmation.***