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**TO:** The Honorable the Members of the Board of Regents

**FROM:** Douglas E. Lentivech

**SUBJECT:** Appointment of Adjunct Member of the Regents Review Committee

**DATE:** December 30, 2011

**AUTHORIZATION(S):**

### Summary

#### Issue for Decision (Consent Agenda)

Should the Regents approve the appointment of Frank Muñoz as an Adjunct Member of the Regents Review Committee?

#### Proposed Handling

This question will come before the full Board at its January 2012 meeting where it will be voted on and action taken.

#### Procedural History

Pursuant to statute, the Regents Review Committee, when it sits to conduct professional discipline hearings, consists of three members, with at least one member being a current member of the New York State Board of Regents. The balance of the Committee is obtained from the roster of those appointed by the Board of Regents as Adjunct Members of the Regents Review Committee. Adjunct Members of the Regents Review Committees are appointed to serve for fixed terms.

#### Background Information

Frank Muñoz served the State Education Department as the Deputy Commissioner for the Office of the Professions from December 2009 until his retirement in March 2011. He formerly served as Associate Commissioner for the Office of the Professions and Assistant Commissioner of the Office of Professional Responsibility. Previous to joining the Education Department, he served as General Counsel of the Division of Substance Abuse Services, Deputy Commissioner for Enforcement at the

NYS Department of Taxation, and as an Assistant District Attorney in the New York County District Attorney's Office. He also served as a teacher in the New York City schools. His professional judgment and experience would make him an ideal candidate for serving with the Regent Chairperson of the Regents Review Committee in hearings and for making recommendations in professional misconduct proceedings.

#### Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Regents appoint Frank Muñoz as an Adjunct Member of the Regents Review Committee for a term to begin on January 10, 2012 and end on December 31, 2013.

#### Timetable for Implementation

The term of service for the recommended appointment of Frank Muñoz would begin on January 10, 2012 and end on December 31, 2013.