

Prison Redevelopment Commission
Meeting 1
May 23, 2022

Commission Member Biographies

Hope Knight, Co-Chair

President and CEO,
**Empire State
Development**

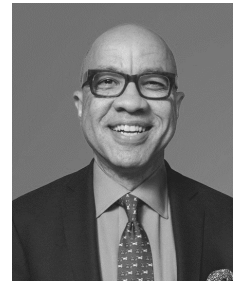


Hope Knight currently serves as President and CEO of Empire State Development (ESD). Prior to her appointment, Ms. Knight served as President and CEO of Greater Jamaica Development Corporation, where she advanced economic growth, community-building, and sustainable real estate development throughout the Southeast Queens region. Additionally, from 2015 to 2021 she served as a Commissioner on the New York City Planning Commission. She also previously served as Vice President at Morgan Stanley in the Institutional Equities Division, U.S and the Strategic Planning and E-Commerce Division, Japan.

Ms. Knight holds a BA from Marymount Manhattan College and an MBA from the Graduate School of Business of the University of Chicago.

Darren Walker, Co-Chair

President,
Ford Foundation



Darren Walker is President of the Ford Foundation, a \$16 billion international social justice philanthropy. He is a member of the Reimagining New York Commission and co-chair of NYC Census 2020. He chaired the philanthropy committee that brought a resolution to the city of Detroit's historic bankruptcy. Under his leadership, the Ford Foundation became the first non-profit in US history to issue a \$1 billion designated social bond in US capital markets for proceeds to strengthen and stabilize non-profit organizations in the wake of COVID-19. Darren has served on the Independent Commission on New York City Criminal Justice and Incarceration Reform. Before joining Ford, Mr. Walker was vice president at The Rockefeller Foundation.

Mr. Walker received BA, BS, and JD degrees from the University of Texas at Austin.

Roberta Reardon

Commissioner,
**NYS Department of
Labor**



Commissioner Reardon was appointed in 2015 to oversee the Department's more than 3,300 employees. Prior to her appointment, she served as President of the American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (AFTRA) from 2007-2012. She was the founding Co-President of SAG-AFTRA, a 165,000-member union for the entertainment industry, when the Screen Actors Guild (SAG) merged with AFTRA in 2012. She is also a Worker Institute Fellow at Cornell University and sits on the Board of Trustees for the Actors Fund of America.

Commissioner Reardon graduated from the Cornell Industrial and Labor Relations School's New York State AFL-CIO/Cornell Union Leadership Institute and holds a BA from the University of Wyoming.

Anthony Annucci

Acting Commissioner,
**NYS Department of
Corrections and
Community Supervision**



Anthony Annucci currently serves as Commissioner of the NYS Department of Corrections and Community Supervision (DOCCS). Mr. Annucci oversees the agency's 44 correctional facilities, approximately 30,500 incarcerated individuals, 27,000 parolees, and 26,000 staff. He has successfully implemented various new laws and is also committed to increased educational and vocational opportunities for incarcerated individuals.

Mr. Annucci earned his BS in Psychology at Fordham University, his MA in Criminal Justice at John Jay College of Criminal Justice, and his JD at Brooklyn Law School.

Jeanette Moy

Commissioner,
NYS Office of General Services

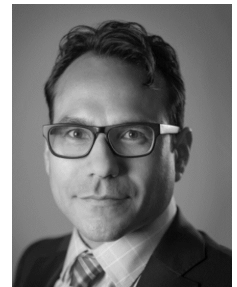


Appointed by Governor Hochul in October 2021 and unanimously confirmed by the New York Senate in February 2022, Commissioner Moy brings over a decade of executive experience transforming and modernizing public and non-profit institutions to her role as OGS Commissioner. Prior to her appointment, Commissioner Moy served as the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer for Public Health Solutions (PHS), an organization committed to reducing health inequities in New York City. She has also held roles as Chief Operating Officer at the NYS Office of the Attorney General and as the first Chief Strategy Officer at the Brooklyn Public Library.

Commissioner Moy received her BA in Political Science and MS in Management from the University of Rochester.

Robert Mujica

Director,
NYS Division of Budget

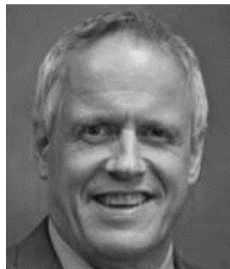


In his current role, Robert Mujica is responsible for the overall development and management of the State's fiscal policy, including overseeing the preparation of budget recommendations for all State agencies and programs, economic and revenue forecasting, tax policy, fiscal planning, capital financing and management of the State's debt portfolio. Mr. Mujica also serves on the boards of more than 30 organizations, including the Board of Trustees of The City University of New York, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority Board, and the Financial Restructuring Board for Local Governments.

Mr. Mujica received his Master's degree in Government Administration (MGA) from the University of Pennsylvania and holds a JD from Albany Law School.

Erik Kulleseid

Commissioner,
NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation



In his current role, Mr. Kulleseid has led State Parks through the challenges of the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as major capital initiatives. He has prioritized the expansion of diversity, equity, and inclusion objectives, including Shirley Chisholm State Park, the dedication and overhaul of Marsha P Johnson State Park in Brooklyn, the recently opened Sojourner State Park in Kingston, and the opening of the nation's first nature trail devoted to welcoming visitors with autism spectrum disorder. Previously, he served as Senior Vice President, Parks and Policy Program for the Open Space Institute. Erik has also served as Deputy Commissioner for Open Space Protection at State Parks and NYS Program Director for Public Land.

Mr. Kulleseid holds a JD from Stanford Law School.

Ryan Silva

Executive Director,
NYS Economic Development Council



Mr. Silva currently serves as Executive Director of the New York State Economic Development Council (NYSEDC), the state's principal organization representing economic development professionals with nearly 1,000 members. The NYSEDC promotes economic vitality in New York State through advocacy, education, and policy development. Previously, Mr. Silva served as Director of Government Relations in the Office of the President at the University at Albany. He also served as Vice President of Regional Economic Development for Empire State Development (ESD) and Deputy Director of New York State's Regional Economic Development Council (REDC) Initiative.

Mr. Silva holds a BA in public communications from The College of Saint Rose.

Heather Briccetti

**President and CEO,
The Business Council
of New York State**



Ms. Briccetti joined The Business Council in 2007 as vice president of government affairs and has since become President and CEO. Prior to The Business Council, she was a consultant and lobbyist for Powers and Company, where she supported a range of economic development projects such as the Javits Center expansion and the new Yankee Stadium. She has also served as an assistant counsel to the New York State Senate majority and legislative aide and counsel to the New York State Assembly majority committee on Racing and Wagering. Ms. Briccetti has also served on the Rensselaer County Alternatives to Incarceration Board.

Ms. Briccetti holds a JD from Albany Law School.

Steve Acquario

**Executive Director,
NYS Association of
Counties**



Mr. Acquario has served as Executive Director of the New York State Association of Counties (NYSAC) since 2004. NYSAC's mission is to educate, represent and advocate in a bi-partisan political manner for New York's 62 counties. Prior to this appointment, Acquario served as the association's legislative director and general counsel. He also serves as a board member for several organizations, including the Government Law Center at Albany Law School and the Public Employer Risk Management Association (PERMA).

Acquario holds a BA from the State University of New York College at Potsdam and a JD from Albany Law School.

Penny Hill

**Dean of Economic Dev't
& Workforce Initiatives,
Hudson Valley
Community College**



Ms. Hill was named Dean of Economic Development and Workforce Initiatives at Hudson Valley Community College in 2018 after serving as the lead administrator at the college's Training and Education Center for Semiconductor Manufacturing (TEC-SMART). She previously held positions as associate dean of TEC-SMART at the NYSERDA Saratoga Technology and Energy Park in Malta and as the Capital District Regional Director of the Workforce Development Institute of New York.

Ms. Hill holds a BA in biology from the University at Albany and an MBA from Russel Sage College.

Elizabeth Gaynes

**Senior Advisor,
Osborne Association**



Elizabeth Gaynes recently stepped down as President and CEO of the Osborne Association, a multiservice nonprofit that implements and champions solutions that reduce the damage caused by crime and incarceration. During her 38-year tenure, Osborne has grown to offer diversion, prison, treatment and reentry programs, with programs in NYC, Newburgh, Buffalo, and 30 state prisons and Rikers Island. Osborne acquired the decommissioned Fulton Correctional Facility in 2015, redeveloping it into a community reentry center, set to open 135 beds of transitional housing for recently released adult men this summer.

Ms. Gaynes is a graduate of Syracuse Law School, and began her legal career in Buffalo as a criminal defense lawyer.

Christa Hines

**Executive Director,
Hudson River Housing**



Ms. Hines has served as Executive Director of Hudson River Housing since 2017. She has also held positions as Chief Accountant, Director of Finance, Chief Financial Officer, and Associate Executive Director at Hudson River Housing over the past 24 years. Hudson River Housing, as a real estate developer and manager, has developed over 1,500 units of various types of housing through new construction, historic preservation and rehab. The organization also operates supportive housing units dedicated to facilitating community re-entry among formerly incarcerated individuals. In addition, Hudson River Housing currently operates an emergency shelter facility on the grounds of Dutchess County jail.

Ms. Hines holds a BS in Accounting and Finance from the State University of New York at Binghamton.

Deanna Van Buren

**Founder,
Designing Justice and
Designing Spaces**



Deanna Van Buren is an award-winning architect and co-founder of Designing Justice + Designing Spaces, an architecture and design firm with the mission of dismantling the punitive infrastructure of the prison system by producing new concepts, designs, and buildings informed by restorative justice principles. The firm is an Oakland, California-based multi-disciplinary organization. Van Buren is recognized as a national leader in the development and building of restorative justice centers, innovative mobile architecture for re-entry housing as well as local workforce development, holistic needs hubs, and infrastructure that unbuilds the architecture of today's criminal legal system.

Ms. Van Buren holds a BS in Architecture from the University of Virginia and an M. Arch from Columbia University.

Deborah Berke and Arthi Krishnamoorthy

**Founding Partner and Partner,
Deborah Berke Partners**



Deborah Berke Partners is a New York-based architecture firm led by a 11-person partnership. Their architecture captures the values and aspirations of the institutions and communities they serve; strives to enrich the world around it through enduring design; and is mindful of the distinctive qualities of each place. Following an international competition, Deborah Berke Partners was selected to design The Women's Building, a new global hub for the women's and girls' rights movements. The project planned to transform the former Bayview Correctional Center, an abandoned women's prison in Manhattan, into a place of activism and action.

Arthi has led the firm's largest and most complex projects. Her work is most often mission-driven. Together with Deborah and an impassioned team, she led the design for The Women's Building. Arthi has designed all the firm's projects for foundations, including for International Planned Parenthood Federation and the Wallace Foundation. Arthi serves on the board of the Queens community-based historic organization, The Forest Hills Gardens Foundation. Deborah founded the practice in 1982. In 2016, Deborah became the first woman dean of the Yale School of Architecture, where she has been a professor since 1987. Additionally, she was a founder and vice president of DesignNYC, a founding trustee of the Design Trust for Public Space, and vice president of the AIA New York Chapter. She currently serves as a member of the Pritzker Architecture Prize jury.

Jeff Buell

Principal,
Redburn Development



Jeff Buell is a Principal with Redburn Development Partners, which has completed more than \$250 million in development in Upstate New York since 2018. The company focuses on urban cores, building out and reconnecting communities in predominately historic places. Mr. Buell is also the Chairman of the Capital Region Chamber of Commerce and is a board member at a multitude of educational institutions including the University of Albany Center for Leadership and Catholic Central High School. Prior to working in real estate, he was the Director of Economic Development for the City of Troy. He is also the founder of “Do The Next Good Thing,” a philanthropic kindness project that has received national media attention.

Mr. Buell holds a BS of Communications and History from the College of Saint Rose.

David Buicko

President and CEO,
Galesi Group



Mr. Buicko was appointed COO of the Galesi Group in 1986 and elected as President and CEO in 2016. He oversees all the real estate company’s divisions including commercial real estate, industrial parks, distribution, and logistics. He is also a Director and former Chairman of the Center for Economic Growth, a regional economic development organization. In 2013 Mr. Buicko was selected by Governor Cuomo to serve as a member of the Capital Regional Economic Development Council and the Reimagine Canal Task Force.

Mr. Buicko holds a BBA in Accounting from Siena College.

Stanley Richards

Deputy CEO,
The Fortune Society



Stanley Richards is the Deputy Chief Executive Officer of The Fortune Society, a service and advocacy non-profit organization in New York City. The Fortune Society’s mission is to support successful reentry from prison and promote alternatives to incarceration. Stanley is a formerly incarcerated man of color with decades of experience in the criminal justice field. In 2014, Stanley was recognized by the Obama administration as a Champion of Change for his commitment to helping individuals impacted by the justice system. He also became the first formerly incarcerated person to be appointed to the NYC Board of Correction.

Stanley is a graduate of Medaille College, Columbia University’s Graduate School of Business: Institute for Not-For-Profit Management Executive Level Program, and the Robert Wood Johnson Fellowship Program.