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## **CCRB Welcomes Erica Bond as Mayoral Designee to Board**

*Former Special Advisor to First Deputy Mayor Appointed to City's Police Oversight Agency*

**New York, NY** – The Civilian Complaint Review Board, the nation's largest independent police oversight entity, today welcomed Erica Bond as a member of the Agency's Board. Bond, who previously served as Special Advisor for Criminal Justice to the First Deputy Mayor, is a mayoral designee appointed to the Board by Mayor Bill de Blasio.

During her time at City Hall, Bond advised and supported the First Deputy Mayor in management of the City's criminal justice agencies. The role also entailed collaborating with partners across government to advance significant criminal justice initiatives, including the plan for closure of Riker's Island and New York's landmark effort to raise the age of criminal responsibility.

Prior to joining city government, Bond was Director of Criminal Justice at the Laura and John Arnold Foundation, where she worked to develop new research, policy reforms, and evidenced-based innovations with the goal of transforming criminal justice systems nationwide.

After graduating from law school, Ms. Bond began a legal career as a Litigation Associate at Kaye Scholer (now Arnold & Porter Kaye Scholer LLP), an international law firm where she represented clients on a variety of matters, including government investigations, regulatory compliance issues, and commercial disputes.

**Statement from Mayor Bill de Blasio:**

"I'm proud to have strengthened the rights of all New Yorkers and the CCRB by appointing Erica Bond.

"Working with Erica firsthand at City Hall, I came to know her as someone whose expertise in criminal justice is matched by her passion to ensure justice is done in every case."

**Statement from CCRB Chair Fred Davie:**

"Erica Bond comes to the Civilian Complaint Review Board with a clear understanding of how city government functions and dedication to making New York a more equitable place for all of its residents.

"I look forward to working with Erica as our Board continues advancing the mission of holding the New York City Police Department accountable and improving police-community relations."

**Statement from Erica Bond:**

"I am pleased to have the opportunity to continue to serve the City and honored that Mayor de Blasio selected me for the Board. The CCRB plays an essential role in addressing New Yorkers' concerns about policing in their communities. By continuing to fairly and impartially hold police officers accountable, we'll deepen confidence in law enforcement and grow trust in the way our city is policed.

"I am eager to continue working toward creating a fairer and safer city as a member of the Board of the nation's largest independent police oversight entity."

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*The New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) is the largest police oversight entity in the nation and is empowered to investigate, mediate, prosecute, and recommend disciplinary action for complaints alleging misconduct by NYPD officers. See NYC Charter § 440(c)(1). The agency's jurisdiction includes excessive and unnecessary force, abuse of authority, discourtesy, and use of offensive language. To further this mission, CCRB issues monthly, biannual, and special statistical and qualitative reports analyzing trends and recurring issues arising from the many thousands of civilian complaints it receives.*