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DOI COMMISSIONER ANNOUNCES NEW APPOINTMENTS
--Individuals bring experience in probing wrongdoing and policy and management--

ROSE GILL HEARN, Commissioner of the New York City Department of Investigation (DOI), announced the hiring today of KIM A. BERGER as Deputy Commissioner of Investigations; ROBERT J. MCSWEENEY as Inspector General of the New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA)/Special Counsel to the Commissioner and KELVIN A. JEREMIAH as Deputy Inspector General of NYCHA. Commissioner Gill Hearn also announced the promotion of ROBERT JOYCE to Associate Commissioner.

"I am pleased that DOI has recruited such top-flight people. Last month DOI announced that in 2006, DOI had its most productive year with a record number of investigations and arrests. Each of these individuals has had a brilliant career thus far and their skills will enhance the work DOI does fighting corruption against the City," Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn said. "Additionally, DOI has extremely talented people within the agency and thus we will continue to promote outstanding members of our staff."

BERGER most recently worked in Paris as the lead attorney for Microsoft's digital integrity investigative team, which was responsible for tracking, investigating and dismantling counterfeit operations in Europe, Middle East and Africa. From 1998 to 2005 she worked in the U.S. Attorney's Office (USAO) for the Southern District of New York investigating and prosecuting a variety of cases including complex financial crimes, health care fraud and computer and environmental crimes. She also served as co-chief of the General Crimes and Major Crimes units at the USAO, where she supervised prosecutions, made decisions on cases from initiation to disposition and provided legal and strategic advice. In the 1990s, she was a litigation associate at the New York law firm of Willkie Farr & Gallagher and has pro bono experience representing victims of domestic violence and preparing applications for political asylum in connection with the Lawyers' Committee for Human Rights. She received her bachelor's degree in psychology from the State University of New York at Binghamton and her law degree from Brooklyn Law School.

McSWEENEY's career at the New York Stock Exchange has involved a variety of roles including market surveillance, investigations, policy and management. For the past seven years he served as Senior Vice President where he has been a member of the NYSE Management Committee and represented NYSE at the highest level including at meetings with the SEC Commissioners, Congressional oversight committee members and the media. Prior to that, for 12 years he supervised investigations at the NYSE. He received his law degree from New York Law School and his bachelor's degree from Villanova University.

JEREMIAH joins our NYC Housing Authority Inspector General's Office from the Springfield Housing Authority in Massachusetts where he was Deputy Director. His experience with the Springfield Housing Authority included working with HUD's Office of the Inspector General, establishing new administrative and programmatic policies and procedures. JEREMIAH has also worked at the Office of Child Care Services in Boston where he was the regional contracts manager and monitoring coordinator who oversaw child care provider contracts. Before that he was a compliance officer at the Commission Against Discrimination in Springfield, Mass. He has a master in public administration from American International College in Springfield, a master of arts in American social history from Rutgers University and a bachelor's degree in history/business administration from Pace University.

JOYCE has been with the agency for more than two decades, most recently as an Assistant Commissioner with Inspector General oversight responsibility for the Department of Citywide Administrative Services, Department of Consumer Affairs, Department of Records and Information Services, the Civil Service Commission, Department of Finance, Tax Commission, Tax Tribunal and Office of Payroll Administration. Joyce has also helped oversee DOI's Independent Private Sector Inspector General program, Vender Rehabilitation program and is Co-Chair of the DOI Training Academy. During his tenure with DOI, he has risen from the position of Investigator. He holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from St. John's University.

DOI is one of the oldest law-enforcement agencies in the country. The agency investigates and refers for prosecution City employees and contractors engaged in corrupt or fraudulent activities or unethical conduct. Investigations may involve any agency, officer, elected official or employee of the City, as well as those who do business with or receive benefits from the City.

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