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MICHAEL B. ROSENBLATT OF ROSENBERG & ESTIS, P.C. JOINS WESTCHESTER COUNTY RENT GUIDELINES BOARD

*Fill Public Member Vacancy for Next 4 Years;
Previously Served for 13 Years as General Counsel*

Rosenberg & Estis, P.C. announced that Michael B Rosenblatt, Of Counsel with the firm's Administrative Group, was appointed to fill a four-year term as a Public Member of the Westchester County Rent Guidelines Board. Rosenblatt had previously served as the board's General Counsel from 2000 to 2013.

The WRGB comprises nine members, two tenant representatives, two owner representatives and five public members, with one of the public members appointed by the state housing commissioner to serve as chairperson. The board sets annual rates of rent adjustment for rent stabilized housing accommodations in suburban Westchester County. The WRGB holds evening meetings and hearings approximately eight or nine times each year, with six of those events occurring during the month of June.

"I view my responsibilities as a Public Member of the board very seriously, having previously served as its General Counsel for many years," said Rosenblatt. "After 13 years of advising board members on legal issues, I have a deep background in what the board does and how it fulfills its mission. I am honored to be able to take a more active role in serving the people of Westchester County."

Rosenblatt joined Rosenberg & Estis, P.C. in 2014 as Of Counsel in the firm's Administrative Group. Widely regarded as an expert in landlord/tenant and rent regulatory law, he was appointed in 2004 by Gov. George Pataki as Deputy Counsel for the New York State Division of Housing and Community Renewal, where, as Assistant Commissioner, he served as Counsel to the state's Office of Rent Administration. Rosenblatt also served as Bureau Chief of the Rent Control Bureau and as General Counsel to the Westchester County Rent Guidelines Board.

Immediately prior to his appointment as Assistant Commissioner at the DHCR's Office of Rent Administration, he served with the agency's Office of Legal Affairs, representing the Commissioner in Article 78 proceedings in the New York State Supreme Court, and

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before that, was of counsel to two major landlord/tenant law firms in Manhattan. This followed a five-year tenure as Deputy Counsel to the Rent Stabilization Association of NYC Inc., where Rosenblatt counseled RSA members on rent regulatory law compliance and related issues.

Rosenblatt went directly to RSA following his initial tenure at DHCR, from 1987 to 1992, when he served as a senior attorney in the agency's Enforcement Bureau. He began his legal career as a trial attorney with the New York City Legal Aid Society, and has been an administrative law judge with both the NYS Public Employment Relations Board and the NYS Department of Labor.

Rosenblatt holds a J.D. from New York Law School and a B.A. in psychology from Pennsylvania State University. He is a member of the New York State Bar Association.

About Rosenberg & Estis, P.C.

In 1975, Gary Rosenberg founded the law firm that would later become Rosenberg & Estis, P.C., a firm that provides expert legal services to the New York real estate community. During the past 40 years, the firm has expanded from a small two-attorney office into a legal powerhouse with more than 70 attorneys and it continues to grow. Rosenberg & Estis represents clients in all aspects of real estate development, transactions, financing, litigation, rent regulation and governmental affairs.

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