



Energy Improvement Corporation

Board of Directors

OVERVIEW:

The Board of Directors, which consists solely of chief executive officers and chief fiscal officers of member municipalities, oversees EIC's management in the pursuit of the Corporation's mission to save money and energy, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and create multiple renewable energy sources through innovative community-based marketing and outreach and by providing affordable and accessible project financing

BOARD MEMBERS (serve a three year term):

CHARLES B. "CHUCK" STROME, III, CHAIRMAN, was unanimously approved the appointment of City Manager on November 12, 2002. Mr. Strome served as Acting City Manager since March, 2002, and as Deputy City Manager since 1995. Prior to that, he served as Director of Emergency Services from 1989 through 1992, and then became Assistant City Manager / City Coordinator. Mr. Strome has a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism and Communications from Washington and Lee University in Lexington, Virginia, and a Masters of Public Administration-Government from Pace University. Before joining government, Mr. Strome held positions at Hudson Westchester Radio where he was News Director, Vice President, and Program Director. Mr. Strome is a member of the International City Managers' Association, and former president of the New York State City / County Managers Association. He is also past President, Vice President, and Secretary of the Municipal Administrators Association of Metropolitan New York. *(Class II/Expires Annual Meeting, 2020)*

CHRIS BURDICK was elected Supervisor of the Town of Bedford in 2013, he took office 1/1/14. He is a Co-Chairman of the Board of Directors of Sustainable Westchester and on the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of East of Hudson Watershed Corporation. Prior to being elected Bedford Town Supervisor, he served as Councilman from 2008 through 2013. He served as Chairman on the Bedford Wetlands Control Commission from 1999 to 2007 and was a Commissioner from 1998 through 1999. He also served on Bedford's Comprehensive Plan Review Committee from 1999 through 2002, a 13-member panel appointed by the Supervisor and Town Board to re-write the Town's Comprehensive Plan. He has been involved in the community for many years. He has been a member of the Bedford Village Lions Club since 2008 and presently also is secretary; serves as Co-Chairman, Woodlands Commission, St. Matthew's Church, 2006 to present; Board of Directors, Westmoreland Sanctuary, 2007 through 2013; Board of Directors of the Mount Kisco Concert Association: 1998 to present. BAR ADMISSIONS: Maine, Massachusetts, New Jersey and New York. EDUCATION: School of Law, Seton Hall University (New Jersey): J.D. – 1983, Law Review; Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies: M.A. International Studies – 1976; The University of California at Berkeley: B.A. Economics and History with honors – 1974. *(Ex Officio/ Expires Annual Meeting, 2021)*

JASON GARNAR, County Executive, Broome County. County Executive Garnar was born in Greene, NY, and is a graduate of Broome Community College and Binghamton University. Jason worked as an American History Teacher for at risk youth for 15 years before serving as the Director of Public Communications for Family Planning of South Central, New York.

He first ran for office in 2006 and was elected to the Broome County Legislature representing Downtown, parts of the First Ward, Northside, and Eastside of Binghamton and parts of the Town of Dickinson. Jason and his wife Amanda live in Port Dickinson with their three boys Nolan, Miles and Ben. *(Class II/Expires Annual Meeting, 2020)*

DANA A. LEVENBERG was elected Supervisor of the Town of Ossining and took office on January 1, 2016. Prior to her election as Supervisor, Ms. Levenberg served as Chief of Staff for New York State Assemblywoman, Sandy Galef, (2009-2015) and as Galef's Communications Director (2008-2009). She also served as a Trustee of the Ossining School District Board of Education for nine years. Ms. Levenberg co-founded and served as President of the Ossining Micro Fund, a no-interest loan fund to serve as a safety net for community residents, from 2005 until 2015. Since 2012, Ms. Levenberg has served as an Advisory Board Member for The Benjamin Center at SUNY New Paltz (formerly CRREO-Center for Research, Regional Education & Outreach). She also serves as an Advisory Board Member for the Pattern for Progress Education and was a past Pattern for Progress Fellow. Ms. Levenberg also was a member of the Village of Ossining Comprehensive Plan Committee; President of the Ossining PTA Council; Brookside School PTA Co-President; and Ossining Safe Routes to School Committee and Walk Day Chairperson. From 1986 to 1995, Ms. Levenberg was a Producer/Production Manager for Showtime Networks, Lifetime Television and AC&R Advertising/Respond Productions. Ms. Levenberg received her B.A. in International Relations (1986) from Brown University. *(Class I/Expires Annual Meeting, 2019)*

WARREN J. LUCAS has over seven years of experience as Town Supervisor and over twenty-six years experience as Councilman for the Town of North Salem. Mr. Lucas also serves as Vice-President of the Westchester Municipal Officials Association (WMOA) and has been nominated and voted by municipal officials in Westchester County to serve as WMOA President starting in May 2016. He also is the President of the Westchester Putnam Association of Town Supervisors; Treasurer of the East of Hudson Watershed Corporation; and Chair of the WMOA Legislative Committee, spending time in Albany discussing the legislative agenda with State Legislators and specifically the Westchester Delegation. Mr. Lucas is also active with a number of community organizations, including serving as a member of the Board of Trustees and Treasurer of Kennedy Catholic High School in Somers, NY and as First Vice President of the North Salem Lions Club and a member for 25 years. Mr. Lucas previously served on the North Salem Zoning Board of Appeals and was President of the Bloomerside Cooperative in Peach Lake in North Salem. For 32 years from 1978 to 2010, Mr. Lucas was an IBM Business Unit Executive for Wall Street and New York/New Jersey Metropolitan territory with over fourteen years of upper management experience directing, developing and executing innovative software data product sales for IBM. Mr. Lucas received his Bachelor of Science from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, NY in Interdisciplinary Science – Comp Science, Microbiology, Virology -- and has completed graduate classes at Pace University. *(Class I/Expires Annual Meeting, 2019)*

ANDRE RAINEY, Mayor, City of Peekskill. Mayor Rainey represents the City of Peekskill, an EIC member with the largest amount of Energize NY PACE financings outstanding. Mayor Rainey graduated from Peekskill High School in 2002 and is a millennial, entrepreneur, owner and President of Noo Moves Entertainment, founded in 2010. He brings an understanding of arts and small business as an economic generator in the new economy. He believes in developing strong relationships with public schools, businesses, as well as county, state and federal agencies. As a skilled collaborator and community builder, he

knows the importance of collaboration and the power of partnerships in building a vital community with opportunity for all, especially youth, teens and young adults. *(Class III/Expires Annual Meeting, 2021)*

HEIDI SEELBACH has for the past six years been in government finance and is the Commissioner of Finance for Dutchess County and has held this position since May, 2014. Heidi held the position of First Deputy Commissioner of Finance from July, 2012 – May, 2014 and for the six months immediately prior to this was the Director of Central Services. Prior to joining the County in August of 2011 Heidi was the Director of Finance for St. Cabrini Home, Inc. in West Park, NY. She began her work at St. Cabrini in 1991 as an Accountant, then Controller and the last 4 years as Director of Finance. As Commissioner of Finance she oversees the Real Property Tax office of the county and has oversight of the tax rolls and tax bills for 10,200 parcels. This includes the addition of Energy Improvement charges(s) to the tax rolls. Heidi was also part of the Committee asked to review the merit of the EIC program and address concerns and has discussed these concerns with fellow Commissioner's and Treasurer's across the state. Duties as Commissioner include oversight of the Financial Statements for the county, in-house payroll for 1,800 employees, as well as treasury management of the \$470 million annual budget. Heidi earned a Bachelor's of Science in Finance from Siena College in 1985 and a Bachelor's of Science in Accounting from Marist College in 1991. *(Class III/Expires Annual Meeting, 2021)*

MARK SCIMONE, County Administrator at Madison County, has worked for Madison County for 13 years. He began his career at the County in the Personnel Department as Assistant Personnel Officer before continuing his career in Human Resources at SUNY Upstate and later as the Assistant Director of Human Resources at SUNY-ESF. Mark returned to Madison County in the summer of 2009 as the Research and Legislative Affairs Coordinator. Mark was appointed by the Board of Supervisors as the County Administrator in 2013 and is currently serving his second term administering policy set by the Board of Supervisors and overseeing the day to day operation of the County. Mark is a 2008 Graduate of Leadership Greater and has a bachelor's degree in human resources from SUNY Oswego. Mark resides in Madison County in the Town of Sullivan with his wife, 9 year old daughter and 4 year old son. *(Class III/Expires Annual Meeting, 2021)*

MARCUS SERRANO was born and raised in the Bronx, NY. He attended Cardinal Hayes High School and went on to Iona College in New Rochelle to receive his BBA in Business Administration and a Minor in Computer Science. He quickly moved into municipal government, where he has had 32 successful years. He has worked as Treasurer/Comptroller and Administrator/Manager most of his career in the Village of Irvington, Town/Village of Ossining, Village of Port Chester, City of Peekskill, Village of Dobbs Ferry and most recently the City of Rye. During his time in Peekskill he served as Acting City Manager in conjunction with the Comptroller position as well as the Director of IT. He served as Administrator/Treasurer for the Village of Dobbs Ferry for six years. Marcus has always involved himself in all aspects of government, which eventually led him to want to run a municipality. That brought him to his current position of Manager for the City of Rye, NY. Marcus has always emphasized tax savings and lists one of his greatest achievements as the consolidation of services between the Town and Village of Ossining. He achieved his goal of bringing together IT, Finance and Recreation. This created a substantial tax saving to both Town and Village taxpayers. Marcus has also been a member of the PERMA Board since 2015. Marcus's Management style is to focus on always keeping the residents in mind. His goal is to treat everyone as he would like to be treated and to help everyone whom he can help. *(Class II/Expires Annual Meeting, 2020)*