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CCRB ANNOUNCES APPOINTMENT OF RAHUL AGARWAL TO THE BOARD

NEW YORK – Today, the New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board (CCRB) announced the Mayoral appointment of Rahul Agarwal to the board.

Agarwal joins the board with a legal career spanning the public and private sectors. He currently serves as a white collar and litigation partner at Friedman Kaplan Seiler Adelman & Robbins. He previously served for 10 years as a federal prosecutor in the U.S. Attorney’s Office for the District of New Jersey, where he led and supervised major prosecutions involving securities and healthcare fraud, public corruption, and civil rights violations, ending his tenure as the second in command. He also served as Deputy Chief Counsel to Mayor Eric Adams, where he advised the Mayor and City Hall on a wide range of legal, ethical, and strategic matters. He is a graduate of Brown University and Columbia Law School.

“Public trust is the foundation of public safety, and the CCRB plays a vital role in strengthening that trust,” said **New York City Mayor Eric Adams**. “Rahul Agarwal brings years of experience in public interest law and government, including his service as Deputy Chief Counsel at City Hall and as a commissioner on the City Council’s Charter Revision Commission. I’m confident that his deep commitment to justice and accountability will help the CCRB continue delivering fairness for all New Yorkers.”

“I am honored to be appointed to the Civilian Complaint Review Board, and I thank the Mayor for giving me the opportunity to again serve the people of New York City,” said **Board Member Rahul Agarwal**. “I look forward to working alongside my fellow Board Members to vindicate the mission of the CCRB and to evaluate allegations and complaints in an unbiased and impartial manner.”

“We are thrilled to have Rahul Agarwal join us on the Civilian Complaint Review Board,” said **Interim Chair Dr. Mohammad Khalid**. “The CCRB’s purpose is to help give the people a voice in the oversight of police. Rahul has worked on behalf of the people throughout his career, first as a prosecutor and later in City Hall. I am thankful to see his perspective added to our outstanding board.”

Agarwal will also attend today’s monthly Board Meeting at CCRB headquarters. Members of the public will be able to stream and participate in the meeting online or in person. We welcome all

New Yorkers to attend and share their experiences with police-community relations. To stream the meeting via Webex, be sure to register [here](#).

WHO: The Civilian Complaint Review Board Members

WHAT: CCRB Public Board Meeting

WHEN: Wednesday, July 30, 2025; 4:00 PM

WHERE: In Person: 100 Church St. 10th Floor, New York, NY 10007

Virtually: Register for Webex [here](#).

About the New York City Civilian Complaint Review Board

The CCRB is an independent agency that is empowered to receive, investigate, mediate, hear, make findings, and recommend action on complaints against New York City police officers alleging the use of excessive or unnecessary force, abuse of authority, discourtesy, or the use of offensive language. The Board's investigative staff, composed entirely of civilian employees, conducts investigations in an impartial fashion. The Board has 15 members who must all live in the city and reflect the diversity of the city. This 15-member Board governs the CCRB, with five seats appointed by the Mayor, five appointed by the NYC City Council, three designated by the Police Commissioner and appointed by the Mayor, one appointed by the Public Advocate, and the Chair, who is jointly appointed by the Mayor and City Council Speaker. No member of the board may have a law enforcement background, other than those designated by the police commissioner, and none may be public employees or serve in public office.

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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 each year.