

## JEFFREY ROSENTHAL, ESQ.

Mr. Rosenthal received a Bachelor of Arts in History from Alfred University in 1975 and a Juris Doctor from Vermont Law School in 1978. He was admitted to practice law in New York and the federal courts in January 1979. In August 1995, he was appointed First Assistant Counsel to the Governor's Office of Regulatory Reform (GORR). In March 2004, he was promoted to Deputy Counsel. From October 2010 to March 2011, he served as the agency head. In March, upon the dissolution of GORR, he was appointed to the Division of the Budget, Regulatory Review Unit, until his retirement in September 2011. From 1991 until his initial appointment he was Amsterdam City Court Judge. Prior to that from 1986-1990 he served as Montgomery County Assistant District Attorney. Throughout 1990 he also served as Fulton County Assistant District Attorney, becoming the first lawyer in the State to serve in two District Attorney's offices simultaneously. From 1979 until his appointment to the Governor's Office of Regulatory Reform he also maintained a general practice of law.

Mr. Rosenthal was immediate supervisor of the agency's staff attorneys, reviewed proposed rules of other agencies for consistency with administration policy goals, and drafted legislative proposals. He also worked on significant regulatory initiatives of the Governor, including Executive Order No. 17 (April 20, 2009) creating a regulatory oversight process to control mandates on local governments and advance property tax relief, and Executive Order No. 25 (August 6, 2009) establishing a regulatory review program intended to reduce or eliminate unnecessary burdens and costs on regulated entities, including small businesses, and improve the State's economy. He also served as GORR's Ethics Officer and supervisor to the agency's Contract Procurement Officer, Sexual Harassment Officer, Affirmative Action Officer, and Freedom of Information (FOIL) Officer.

Mr. Rosenthal developed the regulatory review and training materials used by staff at GORR and other agencies to ensure compliance with rule making requirements. He regularly lectured on the topic of state agency rule making and regulatory reform for several continuing legal education programs sponsored by Albany Law School, the New York Bar Association and the State. He was also invited to speak on the topic of regulatory reform at the spring 2006 conference of the National Association of Secretaries of State in Washington, D.C, and at the spring 2007 conference of the U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Small Business in Kansas City, Kansas.

Mr. Rosenthal was previously the legal advisor and training coordinator of the Montgomery County Youth Court, a student peer review court, which adjudicates less serious family court type cases that would otherwise escape judicial or probation intervention. Additionally, Mr. Rosenthal has served as legal advisor to the Tri-County Mediation Center (Montgomery-Fulton-Schoharie Counties), has been a lecturer in criminal law and procedures at police officers recruit training programs, and was a board member of the Amsterdam Industrial Development Agency.

He is a contributing author (*Chapter 2: Who is the Client of the Government Lawyer?*) to Ethical Standards in the Public Sector, ABA Publishing, Patricia E. Salkin, Editor (1999, updated 2008) concerning government attorney ethics and representation. The NY Bar Association has reprinted the chapter in two publications.