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## **NEW CHAIRMAN AT SCI JOSEPH SCANCARELLA VOWS TO CARRY ON AGENCY'S 'IMPORTANT MISSION'**

**TRENTON** – Retired Superior Court Judge Joseph F. Scancarella, a member of the State Commission of Investigation since 2012, has been appointed Chairman of the independent government watchdog agency by Gov. Chris Christie.

Scancarella, who succeeds former Chairman Patrick E. Hobbs, assumed the position this week with a vow to extend the SCI's substantive record of comprehensive impartial investigations into organized crime, corruption and waste of taxpayer money well into the future.

"The SCI was established more than four decades ago to fulfill an important mission on behalf of the citizens of New Jersey," Scancarella said. "I am honored and grateful for the opportunity to help carry this mission forward. In my career in public life,

I have served in local and county government, in the state Legislature, and in the Judiciary, and I can safely say that my time at the SCI ranks at or near the top of all of my experiences.”

Scancarella, who served as a Superior Court Judge in Passaic County for more than 21 years before retiring in 2004, was appointed to the four-member Commission by Gov. Christie in November 2012. A former member of the New Jersey Legislature, he was elected to the General Assembly representing Passaic County in 1967 and served in that position until 1972.

Scancarella currently handles arbitration and mediation cases for trial lawyers and insurance companies, and disciplinary hearings for local governmental agencies in North Jersey. He is a graduate of Clifton High School, Villanova University and Fordham Law School.



*The State Commission of Investigation is an independent New Jersey watchdog agency established in 1968 to investigate organized crime and corruption, waste of tax money and other abuses of the public trust. Copies of reports are available at the Commission’s offices or via its Web site at [www.state.nj.us/sci](http://www.state.nj.us/sci).*