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**2nd Annual State Workforce Diversity Summit to be Held Virtually by The New Jersey
Civil Service Commission**

TRENTON - The New Jersey Civil Service Commission (CSC) will host its Second Annual Diversity and Inclusion Summit, virtually - **Thursday, December 3, 2020 from 9:30 am to 12:00 pm**. This year's Summit is entitled, "2020 Vision: Managing Change, Conflict, and Creating Opportunities."

This year's event will feature a presentation by Cedric Ashley, Esq. on *The Intersectionality of Emotional Intelligence and Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion*; and a panel on *Best Practices in Diversity and Model Programs*; followed by an open forum/Q&A. Other panelists participating in the Summit include representatives from the New Jersey Office of Homeland Security and Preparedness, the Office of the Attorney General, the Department of Education, the Cumberland County Prosecutor's Office, and the NJ Department of Labor and Workforce Development.

"We are proud to host our Second Annual Diversity Summit in a virtual format as we continue to work toward creating a diverse pool of talented and qualified individuals that reflects the population of our state," said Deirdré L. Webster Cobb, Esq., Chair and Chief Executive Officer of the New Jersey Civil Service Commission, "CSC is committed to promoting cultural diversity throughout state government."

Dr. Charlie Williams, Executive Director, Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) and Diversity Programs added, "The first CSC Workforce Diversity and Inclusion Summit was a very important step towards increasing awareness and understanding the value of meaningful diversity and inclusion within the state workforce. We are excited to host our second event virtually this year."

As part of its Diversity and Inclusion initiatives, CSC has hosted job fairs, and Virtual Information Sessions with Colleges and universities across the state and launched the CSC State Workforce Diversity Council. It also held a Virtual Diversity in Law Enforcement Forum in October. "We believe this year's Diversity Summit attendees will find the resources provided at the Summit to be particularly useful within their respective departments and agencies," said Dr. Williams.

Registration for the Summit is required and will close on Monday, November 30. Please use the following link to register: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CSCDiversitySummit2020>. Log-in information (Zoom) for the event will be sent by December 1, 2020.

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For more information, please visit the NJ Civil Service Commission website at: www.nj.gov/csc. For questions about registration, please email Joe Forte at joseph.forte@csc.nj.gov.