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SCI APPOINTS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, GENERAL COUNSEL

TRENTON – The State Commission of Investigation today appointed Lee C. Seglem as Executive Director and took other steps to strengthen the personnel ranks of New Jersey's premier independent government watchdog agency.

A longtime member of the Commission staff, Mr. Seglem has served as Acting Executive Director since October 2015. As the SCI's top administrator, he directs the dayto-day operations of an agency charged with conducting fact-finding investigations into organized crime; corruption; and waste, fraud and abuse of public dollars.

The four-member Commission today also appointed SCI Chief Counsel Chadd W. Lackey to the position of General Counsel/Deputy Director. Mr. Lackey serves as the agency's top legal officer, supervisor and advisor across a wide range of important responsibilities.

SCI Chair Joseph F. Scancarella said the appointments would solidify a highly effective management team that has already served to raise the agency's profile and improve its productivity on behalf of New Jersey taxpayers.

"Lee and Chadd are seasoned professionals who have served with distinction in conducting some of our most difficult and important investigations over the years," Scancarella said. "Under their leadership, the SCI is well-positioned to redouble its mission to safeguard the public interest going forward." Joining Mr. Scancarella in making the unanimous appointments were his three colleagues, Commissioners Robert Burzichelli, Frank Leanza and Rosemary Iannacone.

Mr. Seglem, who joined the Commission staff in 1994, most recently served as Assistant Director for Operations, supervising investigative teams, administering the production and completion of investigative reports and handling agency communications. Prior to joining government, he was an investigative reporter and editor, highlighted by service as managing editor of the former *New Jersey Reporter* magazine and Statehouse bureau chief in Trenton for Gannett News Service. He is a graduate of Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Washington, D.C.

A former prosecutor, Mr. Lackey joined the SCI as an investigative counsel in 2005. He is a graduate of Temple University School of Law.

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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 <u>www.state.nj.us/sci</u>.

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