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**KINGS COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY KENNETH P. THOMPSON ANNOUNCES
APPOINTMENTS OF WILLIAM E. SCHAEFFER AS CHIEF OF INVESTIGATIONS
AND EMILY BRADFORD AS DEPUTY CHIEF OF PUBLIC INTEGRITY**

*District Attorney Thompson's Appointments Bring Experience in Federal, State and Local
Prosecution, and Solid Backgrounds in Public Integrity Cases*

BROOKLYN, NY – Kings County District Attorney Kenneth P. Thompson announced today the appointments of William E. Schaeffer as Chief of Investigations, and Emily Bradford as Deputy Chief of Public Integrity. Mr. Schaeffer and Ms. Bradford join Thompson's administration after serving in the New York State Attorney General's Office.

"With the appointment of William Schaeffer, the Office, my administration and the people of Brooklyn will benefit from the legal expertise, investigatory background, broad view of the criminal justice system, and management experience he brings to the role of Chief of Investigations. Mr. Schaeffer's reputation as a federal, state and local prosecutor is impeccable, and I am thrilled to have him join my executive team," said **District Attorney Kenneth Thompson**. "I'm also pleased to announce that Emily Bradford will be joining our office as part of our determination to root out public corruption. With this solid team in place, we are keeping our promise to fight crime and corruption wherever it exists, making Brooklyn safer and stronger."

As Chief of the Public Integrity Bureau, Mr. Schaeffer supervised 13 Assistant New York State Attorneys General in Manhattan and Albany, and investigated and prosecuted numerous upstate and local elected officials for corruption. Before then, he served as a federal prosecutor in the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York, where he was the Healthcare Fraud Coordinator for the Criminal Division. In that role, Mr. Schaeffer supervised the Medicare Fraud Strike Force, a multi-agency team of prosecutors and investigators focusing on Medicare and Medicaid fraud. Mr. Schaeffer began his career as a prosecutor in the New York County District Attorney's Office, where he worked in the Homicide Investigation Unit and Labor Racketeering Unit-Construction Industry Strike Force. He received his law degree from Columbia University Law School, his undergraduate degree from Yale University and a Masters in Public Affairs from Princeton University.

Ms. Bradford served as Senior Counsel to the Public Integrity Bureau with the New York State Attorney General. Before then, she was an Associate at the law firm WilmerHale. After receiving her law degree from the George Washington University Law School, Ms. Bradford clerked with the U.S. District Court, District of Hawaii. Ms. Bradford received her undergraduate degree from McGill University.

Last week, District Attorney Thompson announced the appointments of Leroy Frazer, Jr., as Chief of Staff, and Coleen Balbert as Chief of Sex Crimes. In December, District Attorney Thompson appointed Mark Feldman as Chief Assistant.

The Kings County District Attorney's Office is one of the largest prosecutorial agencies in the nation, serving over 2.5 million people in Brooklyn. On November 5, 2013, District Attorney Kenneth P. Thompson was elected to the Office, and he began his tenure on January 1, 2014.

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