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Ossining Attorney John W. Fried Named Town Justice to Fill Unexpired Term *Judge Shapiro will Conduct Swearing in at March 15 Town Board Special Meeting*

(March 14, 2011) The Ossining Town Board will appoint Ossining attorney John W. Fried to fill the unexpired term created by Justice Ed Shapiro's retirement at a Special Meeting on Tuesday, March 15 at 7:30 pm, at the Ossining Town Police facility at 507 North State Road, Town Supervisor Catherine Borgia announced today. Mr. Fried will be sworn in by his predecessor Judge Ed Shapiro immediately following the special meeting. Members of the press and the public are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Fried's extensive legal and professional background in both the private and public sector made him the unanimous choice of the Town Board members, although all of the candidates for the job had excellent qualifications. Mr. Fried's long career with the office of the District Attorney of New York County included assignments as an investigator and prosecutor, trial bureau chief, chief of the Rackets Bureau, senior trial counsel, and chief of the Trials Division. In 1990, Mr. Fried became a partner in Anderson Kill & Olick, PC. He and a partner opened Fried and Epstein LLP in 1999. Following the 9/11 terrorist attacks, Mr. Fried and his partner provided *pro bono* insurance coverage for legal services to the people in Lower Manhattan who lost their homes and their businesses.

"The Town Board chose Mr. Fried because of his legal expertise, his management experience, and his life-long dedication to public service. We know that he will be a worthy successor to Judge Shapiro, and will serve the Town of Ossining residents honorably and well," Borgia commented.

Mr. Fried has resided in Ossining since 1972 with his wife, Gloria, who serves as the Ossining Receiver of Taxes. Their two grown children attended the Ossining Public Schools. He has a long history of community involvement in many local organizations including the Boy Scouts, the PTA, AYSO soccer, and the Village of Ossining's Comprehensive Plan Committee.

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