

ALAN B. LUBIN

**EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, NEW YORK STATE UNITED TEACHERS AND VICE
PRESIDENT OF THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF TEACHERS**

Alan B. Lubin was elected executive vice president of the more than 575,000 member New York State United Teachers effective Sept. 1, 1993, following 26 years as an elected leader in the United Federation of Teachers, NYSUT's affiliate in New York City.

Lubin currently serves as a vice president of the American Federation of Teachers. He was elected vice president of the New York State AFL-CIO in December 1993 and serves on its Executive Committee. Lubin also serves as vice chair of the New York State Educational Conference Board, is a member of the Higher Education Conference Board and serves on the Board of Directors of the Medicare Rights Center. Lubin has been a member of the NYSUT Board of Directors since 1973. Lubin also serves as co-chair of BALCONY, the Business and Labor Coalition of New York.

As executive vice president, Lubin oversees NYSUT's legislative and political action programs and is secretary/treasurer of VOTE-COPE, the union's political action fund. Lubin organized NYSUT's nationally acclaimed political action committee with activists in every one of New York State's senatorial districts. Lubin successfully spearheaded the drive for several watershed pieces of legislation including the permanent cost-of-living adjustment law for retired public employees (COLA), Schools Against Violence in Education (SAVE) and the law mandating that a defibrillator be on hand in every New York state public school. Since his election as NYSUT executive vice president, state aid to public education has increased 72 percent. A tireless advocate of public higher education, Lubin has highlighted the need for greater investment in SUNY and CUNY by expanding the full-time faculty lines. Lubin sees NYSUT's internal growth, continued emphasis on involvement of newer members and the growth of minority activism within our locals and state union as critical keys to NYSUT's continued success.

During his career as an educator and union leader, Lubin has received a number of awards and honors including the 2004 Carolyn Holmes Humanitarian Award from the Coalition of Black Trade Unionists; 2004 Champion of Labor Award from the New York state Democratic Party; 2004 "Advocate" Award from the New York state Chapter of the AFT Black Caucus; the prestigious 1999 UFT Charles Cogen Teacher Union Award; the 1998 Congressional Friends of Ellis Island Award; and the Friend of Education Award from the Oceanside Federation of Teachers.

Lubin lives in Clifton Park with his wife, Sharon. They have two grown children, both SUNY graduates, and a beautiful granddaughter, Helena.

REINALDO PÉREZ

**VICE PRESIDENT FOR COMMUNITY RELATIONS AND PHILANTHROPIC ACTIVITIES
[NEW YORK/NORTHEAST], CITI CORPORATION, NEW YORK, NEW YORK**

Reinaldo Pérez has twenty years experience as a public/community relations and communications professional. His affiliations include both public and private sector organizations where he was responsible for corporate social responsibility and diversity initiatives, program and grants management, philanthropy, media and government relations and grass roots outreach programs.

At Citi Corporation since 2006, he directs all community relations and philanthropic activities throughout the Manhattan (NYC) territory. He executes grant making and contributions programs among community organizations with a focus on economic development, first-time home-ownership, affordable housing, small business development and financial education.

While at Colgate Palmolive Company, 2000-2004, he managed Colgate's flagship program *Bright Smiles, Bright Futures® (BSBF)*, a national initiative designed to improve oral health among vulnerable children. He directed Colgate's national Hispanic community relations efforts – substantially increasing its Latino outreach.

As a member of AT&T Corporation's Foundation and Corporate Relations Division (1995-1998), he oversaw the organization's Hispanic media, public and community relations and philanthropic programs. He managed its grants budget for education, arts, health and human services organizations.

In 1994 he was appointed to New York City's Mayor's Office for Latino Affairs. In this position he was mayoral representative charged with executing political, business, community outreach to the Hispanic community. In this Office, he was responsible for relations with Latin American consulates and Hispanic community leaders.

Rey has a Masters of Public Administration from Columbia University, New York City and a Bachelor of Arts from Cornell University, Ithaca, New York.

THE HONORABLE ROSE H. SCONIERS
SUPREME COURT JUSTICE, SUPREME COURT - 8TH DISTRICT, NEW YORK

The Honorable Rose H. Sconiers, New York State Supreme Court Justice, is former Judge of The City Court of Buffalo; former Executive Attorney of The Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo, Inc., former Assistant Corporation Counsel for the City of Buffalo and a 1973 graduate of the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law. She was admitted to the State Bar in 1974 and to the U.S. Federal District Court in 1975. In addition, she is admitted to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and the U.S. Supreme Court.

Justice Sconiers is an emeritus member of the University of Buffalo Council and a past President of the New York State Association of Council Members and College Trustees. She was appointed by the Chief Judge of New York State to the Unified Court System Advisory Committee on Criminal Law and Procedure, the Jury Project and the Commission on Fiduciary Appointments. She is also a member of the Franklin H. Williams Judicial Commission on Minorities. Justice Sconiers is past President of the University of Buffalo Law Alumni Association and a former member of the Board of Directors of the New York State Defenders Association. Justice Sconiers is the former President of The Association of Justices of The Supreme Court of The State of New York; former Presiding member of the Judicial Council of The New York State Bar Association and a former delegate to the National Conference of State Trial Judges of The American Bar Association.

She is a former member of the Board of Directors of the Erie County Bar Foundation; a former member of the Erie County Bar Association Grievance Committee and past Chairman of the Lawyer Referral Service Committee and Law Day Committee. She also served on the Bar's Special Committee to Study the Feasibility of Creating a Police Civilian Review Board for the Buffalo Police Department, Practice and Procedure in City Court Committee, Judiciary Committee and Ethics Committee.

Justice Sconiers is a past President of The Supreme Court Justice Association, Eighth Judicial District; past President of the Buffalo Chapter, National Bar Association; past Chairperson, Friends of the School of Architecture and Environmental Design at SUNY; past Vice-Chairperson, Women for Downtown; past President, Community Planning and Assistance Center for Western New York (CPAC); past Chairperson of the 13th Street Multi-Purpose Center, Inc., in Niagara Falls, New York, and past President of the Erie County Chapter of The Links, Inc. Justice Sconiers is a former member of the Board of Trustees of Children's Hospital, the Board of Trustees of St. Mary' School for the Deaf and Board of Directors of the Buffalo Chapter, American Red Cross.

Justice Sconiers is the recipient of many honors and awards, including among others, The University of Buffalo Law Alumni Association Distinguished Alumna Award, the YWCA Leader Luncheon Outstanding Achievement Award and the Buffalo Urban League Evans/Young Award. She was inducted into the Western New York Women's Hall of Fame in 2001. Justice Sconiers is married to Attorney, Lester G. Sconiers and the mother of a daughter, Lisa Rose, and a son, Lester, Jr.