

## **Speaker Biographies**

### **Taylor Law at 50**

May 10, 2018 | 3:00 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.

### **Concurrent Three:**

Injunctive Relief Under the Taylor Law:  
An Update and Discussion

## **DAVID P. QUINN**

Mr. Quinn is General Counsel for the New York State Public Employment Relations Board and head PERB's Office of Counsel. He has been with PERB since January 1984, serving 15 years as an Administrative Law Judge, 8 years as Assistant Counsel, and 8 years as Associate Counsel and Director of Litigation. He received his J.D. from Albany Law School in 1982, an M.A. from the Cooperstown Graduate Programs of the State University at Oneonta in American Folk Culture, and a B.A., *cum laude*, from the State University at Albany. He is a member of the New York State Bar Association, Labor and Employment Section, and has been a contributor to each edition of Public Sector Labor and Employment Law, published by the New York State Bar Association.

## **EDWARD ALUCK**

Edward Aluck is the General Counsel of the New York State Public Employees Federation, AFL-CIO.

Edward's role is to manage and oversee the function of PEF's Office of General Counsel, which serves as PEF's in-house legal department to PEF members in the Professional, Scientific & Technical unit of employees of New York State. His responsibilities include providing strategic and tactical legal advice and representation on all matters relating to PEF. This includes providing training, guidance and support to PEF's attorneys in all aspects of their job, including representing union members in litigation, employee disciplinary proceedings, administrative matters and various legal inquiries. He also handles union governance issues, provides advice and training to various PEF departments, and responds to inquiries from officers, members and staff on a wide variety of topics of importance to the organization, and represents PEF in its role as employer and self-insured health care plan.

Prior to being appointed as General Counsel, he served as PEF's Deputy General Counsel for over five years. Before that, he began with PEF in 1999 as a law clerk and then, upon being admitted to the New York State Bar, he served as an Associate Counsel for approximately 11 years, where he regularly managed a caseload that primarily involved representing PEF and individual union members in labor, employment, civil service, and other related matters. He has also represented hundreds of PEF members in employee disciplinary proceedings. Edward is a graduate of Albany Law School and the State University of New York. He is admitted to the Bar of New York State, Connecticut, and the Northern, Southern and Eastern Federal Districts of New York.

## **AMY M. PETRAGNANI**

Amy M. Petragnani is Acting Deputy Counsel to the New York State Governor's Office of Employee Relations (GOER), a position she has held since June of 2009. As Acting Deputy Counsel, Amy is responsible for overseeing the day to day operations of GOER's Counsel's Office, which is responsible for, among other things, representing Executive Branch agencies in contract grievance arbitrations, improper practice charges before the Public Employment Relations Board, and in binding interest arbitration proceedings. Amy also provides legal advice to GOER's General Counsel and to Executive Branch agencies in all matters involving public sector labor

law, including issues related to discipline, negotiations, litigation, application of State and federal laws, and the application and implementation of Statewide and agency policies and legislation.

Prior to becoming Acting Deputy Counsel, Amy served as Associate Counsel and Assistant Counsel with GOER. She is a graduate of Albany Law School and Boston College.