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Dear NYAPSA Members, Partners, and Criminal Justice Colleagues,

I'm honored to serve as the new President of the New York Association of Pretrial Service Agencies (NYAPSA). As we begin this next chapter, I want to share the direction we're taking—and how we plan to move forward together.

More than five years after bail reform reshaped our landscape, one thing is clear: pretrial work in New York has evolved, and so must we. This restructuring is NYAPSA's response to what we've learned—what's worked, what's changed, and what our field now needs. It's not a rebrand. It's a rebuild—with purpose.

At our first board meeting under new leadership, NYAPSA voted to focus our work around two core priorities:

- 1. **Peer Connections** Strengthening ties between pretrial professionals across regions to promote shared learning, collaboration, and leadership development.
- 2. **Policy** Establishing NYAPSA as the leading voice for pretrial justice in New York by formalizing relationships with state leadership and becoming a go-to resource for expertise and reform guidance.

To give this vision the attention it deserves, we've paused some of our usual activities, including this year's conference. We're focusing instead on building infrastructure that truly supports our members and elevates the work being done in pretrial agencies across the state.

You'll see changes begin to roll out, including a major website overhaul that will unfold over the coming months. We're updating how we communicate, how we connect, and how we lead.

If you've been waiting for a sign to get involved—this is it. Whether you're a long-standing member, returning after time away, or new to pretrial work, your insight and participation are essential to what comes next.

This works takes all of us – and there's never been a more important time to come together.

Best,

Stacey Fusco

President, NYAPSA

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