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REPORT RELEASED TODAY

Today, Special Commissioner of Investigation Richard J. Condon released a report detailing an investigation which found that Executive Director Angel Namnum, assigned to the Division of Finance at the Department of Education (“DOE”), devised a scheme to arrange for his wife, Rosa Castillo, to be hired at the DOE Extended Use Office in the Bronx. Namnum earns approximately \$190,000 a year. Castillo performs entry level duties, but the position pays her an annual salary of approximately \$52,000.

This is not the first time that Angel Namnum used his position to help a relative who was seeking a position with the DOE. In 2008, Namnum admitted that, when he was the Deputy Director of Budget in Region 2, he gave his brother’s name to the Deputy Director of Regional Operations for DOE Region 2, to relay it to the Local Instructional Superintendent for Region 2, in order for his brother to be interviewed for a principal vacancy. Along with other candidates, Namnum’s brother was interviewed and he was hired for the principal position. The three-way settlement by Namnum, the DOE, and the New York City Conflicts of Interest Board, was publicly reported on February 28, 2008. As a penalty, Namnum paid a \$1,250 fine.

The Special Commissioner recommended that the employment of Namnum and Castillo be terminated and that they be made ineligible for future work with the DOE.

The Office of the Special Commissioner of Investigation is part of the New York City Department of Investigation and Special Commissioner Condon reports to Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn.