

2019

New York State Legislative Agenda

OUTCOMES



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GOOD GOVERNMENT

- ✓ • Reform and modernize New York's voting system and Election Law, including
 - Early voting - *Enacted, Chp. 6*
 - "No excuse" absentee voting and Election Day registration - *Constitutional amendments received first passage by the Legislature*
 - Single Primary - *Enacted, Chp. 5*
 - Public Campaign Financing - *Public Campaign Financing Commission established as part of the FY 2020 Enacted Budget*
- Bring meaningful and comprehensive ethics and rules reform to Albany

EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY AND EXPERIENCE

- ✓ • Advance criminal justice reform and policies that will reduce mass incarceration
 - Bail Reform - *Adopted as part of the FY 2020 Enacted Budget*
 - Justice Safety Valve Act - *Introduced as S.5712*
 - Second Chance Amendment - *Introduced as A.8588*
 - Domestic Violence Survivors Justice Act - *Enacted, Chp. 31*
 - One Day to Protect New Yorkers Act - *Adopted as part of the FY 2020 Enacted Budget*
- Create a system for the production, distribution and adult non-medical use of marijuana in New York
- ✓ • Promote comprehensive reproductive health policies and sexual education
 - Access to Contraception - *Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act enacted, Chp. 25*
 - Reproductive Health Act - *Enacted, Chp. 1*
 - Maternal Mortality Review Board - *Enacted, Chp. 140*
- ✓ • Enact the Gender Expression Nondiscrimination Act (GENDA) - *Enacted, Chp. 8*

THE JUDICIARY AND THE FAIR, EFFECTIVE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

- ✓ • Support the Judiciary's 2019-20 Budget Request, including adequate funding for civil legal services - *Funded as part of the FY 2020 Enacted Budget*
- ✓ • Enact the Uniform Voidable Transactions Act, which would modernize New York's laws related to fraudulent conveyances - *Enacted, Chp. 580*
- Reform and modernize the administration of class actions in New York's courts - *Introduced as A.8034/S.6334-A*
- Re-incentivize art authenticators and restore integrity to art transactions in New York

BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL PRACTICE AREAS

- Extend common interest privilege to business transactions
- ✓ • Support long-established practices of business-to-business arbitration proceedings
- ✓ • No automatic consent to jurisdiction by foreign businesses registering to do business in New York