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**Statement from Alan Mansfield, Interim Chair**

The Commission is mindful of the extraordinary circumstances presented by the untimely passing of Judge Sheila Abdus-Salaam, and the need to ensure the current vacancy on the Court of Appeals is filled swiftly. The Commission will promptly discharge its Constitutional and statutory responsibilities, and nominate and recommend to the Governor three to seven well-qualified candidates from the extraordinary, diverse community of lawyers admitted to practice in New York State.