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Women's City Club Hosts a Conversation with Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus Vance Jr. on March 1

- *Join a discussion regarding criminal justice reform and creating social change in New York City and nationwide -*



NEW YORK, N.Y. – Women's City Club of New York (WCC) hosts a conversation with Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus Vance Jr. on Wednesday, March 1 to discuss criminal justice reform, gender-based violence and the role of the District Attorney in creating social change in New York City.

Mr. Vance was sworn in as the District Attorney of New York County on January 1, 2010. Since then, he has positioned the District Attorney's office as a national leader in criminal justice by expanding its expertise on a variety of 21st century crimes, including identity theft, cybercrime, white-collar fraud, hate crimes, terrorism, domestic violence, human trafficking, and violent and gang-related crimes.

He has taken a national leadership role in addressing the issue of race in the criminal justice system, including commissioning a study by the non-partisan Vera Institute of Justice to evaluate the Office's practice in charging, plea-bargaining, and bail. Using funds obtained through penalties against financial institutions, Mr. Vance has also made significant investments in criminal justice initiatives in New York City and nationally, including testing the backlog of rape kits nationwide and reducing the number of individuals with mental and behavioral health issues in the criminal justice system.

What: Women's City Club of New York Host Conversation with Manhattan District Attorney, Cyrus Vance Jr.

Where: John Jay College, Room L. 61, 524 West 59th Street, New York, NY 10019

When: Wednesday, March 1, 2017; 6:00 to 8:00 PM

RSVP: To RSVP or purchase tickets, visit <http://www.wccny.org/calendar> or call 212-353-8070. Events are open to the public and free to WCC members. If you are interested in becoming a member, visit <http://www.wccny.org/join>.

FOR CALENDAR ENTRIES

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\$20 / \$10 Students/ Free for members

Join a conversation with Manhattan District Attorney Cyrus Vance Jr. Mr. Vance will discuss criminal justice reform, gender-based violence and the role of the District Attorney in creating social change in New York City. Mr. Vance is recognized as a national leader in criminal justice for expanding the expertise of the D.A. office on an array of 21st century crimes, including identity theft, cybercrime, white-collar fraud, hate crimes, terrorism, domestic violence, human trafficking, and violent and gang-related crimes. Light refreshments will be served.

About Women's City Club of New York

Women's City Club of New York (WCC) is a nonprofit, non-partisan, multi-issue activist organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for all New Yorkers. WCC shapes public policy through education, issues analysis, advocacy, and civic participation. As WCC enters its second century of activism, it continues to pursue economic, racial, and gender justice with the goal of dismantling the social inequities that deprive citizens of the opportunity to thrive. Through member-led Task Forces, WCC conducts research, publishes reports, fosters dialogue with public officials, and launches public education and multi-year advocacy campaigns in the following focus areas: Criminal Justice, The Environment, Good Government, Health, Housing and Homelessness, Income Inequality, and Public Education. For more information, visit <http://www.wccny.org>.

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