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## **Liberty ARC Appoints New Board Member**

**AMSTERDAM-** Liberty ARC is proud to announce the appointment of Deborah A. Slezak, of Hagaman, to the Liberty ARC Board of Directors.

Deborah A. Slezak, an attorney, has previously served as an advisor on Liberty ARC's Quality Supports Committee. She has a proven track record of commitment to her community through her volunteerism with the agency and in Montgomery County, as well as in her professional career as an attorney.

Slezak is a principal at Cioffi, Slezak, Wildgrube P.C., a women-owned and operated law firm, in Schenectady, NY, with areas of concentration in elder law, guardianship, estate planning and administration. She also serves as the attorney for the Town of Florida since November 2009 and previously as the attorney for the Town of Amsterdam from October 1996 to December 2009. She acted as the Town Justice for the Town of Amsterdam for two terms from January 2010 to December 2017.

She is a member of the New York State Bar Association (Trust and Estates and Elder Law Sections), the Elder Law Section's Executive Committee of the NYSBA, Schenectady County and Montgomery County Bar Associations, and Women's Bar Association of the State of New York.

Slezak, a resident in Montgomery County, is also an active community volunteer. She served on the Board of Directors of the Amsterdam YMCA from 1997 through 2008, as well acted as a past board president, as a Board of Trustee for Amsterdam's Saint Mary's Hospital, and a Booster Club Member of the Amsterdam High School Drama Club at her children's school. She serves on the board for Montgomery County Office for Aging, Inc.

"It is with great pleasure that I welcome Deborah Slezak onto the Liberty ARC board," said Jennifer Saunders, CEO of Liberty ARC. "Deborah brings a wealth of knowledge to the board with her expansive career in law and her with strong connection with the agency. Her expertise will provide vital insights when it comes to important decision making for Liberty ARC and the people we support."

**About Liberty ARC**

Liberty ARC, the Montgomery County Chapter of NYSARC, Inc., was founded in 1957 by parents of children with developmental disabilities who wished to establish special education programs in the local community. For over 60 years the organization has provided the area with top-quality supports and has grown to include vocational, recreational, residential, day, family support and health-related services to more than 500 individuals with physical, developmental and other disabilities.

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