## **Connecticut General Assembly**

## Statute of Limitations Regarding Sexual Abuse, Sexual Exploitation & Sexual Assault Task Force

Sen. Mae Flexer Chairperson



c/o Judiciary Committee, Room 2500 Legislative Office Building 300 Capitol Avenue Hartford, Ct 06106

MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, December 11, 2019 1:00 PM in Room 2A of the LOB

The meeting was called to order at 1:10 PM by Chairperson, Sen. Flexer M. S29.

The following committee members were present:

## Sen. Flexer M. S29, Judge Barbara Bellis, Lynn Laperle, Douglas P. Mahoney, Esq., Ernest Mattei, Esq., Lucy Nolan, Angelica Papastavros, Esq., Paul Slager, Esq

Chairperson Flexer welcomed members of Statutes of Limitations Regarding Sexual Abuse, Sexual Exploitations and Sexual Assault Task Force to the Task Force Meeting.

Opening remarks were given and new member, Attorney Angelica Papastovros was introduced.

Minutes of the September 24, 2019 minutes were approved. Motion made by Attorney Mattei and seconded by Lucy Nolan.

Professor Marci Hamilton, CEO of Child USA presented highlights from the *"Child Sex Abuse Statutes of Limitation Reform from January 2002 to December 2019".* 2019 was a big year for access to justice as 40 states and DC raised initiatives and 23 states passed & enacted new laws. Professor Hamilton explained the new legislation in the states including the changes in CT. Members asked Professor Hamilton questions regarding the report and her expertise.

Members discussed topics for the next meeting to be held Tuesday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Invited stakeholders would be asked to discuss their experiences and reasoning for/against expanding the statutes of limitation.

January 7<sup>th</sup> meeting is scheduled to discuss the report to the general assembly.

A motion was made by Attorney Slager and seconded by Lynn Laperle to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:42 pm