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Appointment of Commissioner Glenn D. Magpantay by Majority Leader Chuck Schumer

Washington, DC -- On February 15, 2023, Glenn D. Magpantay was officially sworn in as a Commissioner of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights by Staff Director Mauro Morales. Majority Leader Chuck Schumer appointed Glenn D. Magpantay as a Commissioner of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. Please see the Congressional <u>Record</u> announcing the appointments.

Glenn D. Magpantay is a long-time civil rights attorney, professor of law and Asian American Studies, and LGBTQ rights activist. He has been organizing in the community for over 30 years. Today, he is principal at Magpantay & Associates: a nonprofit consulting and legal services firm. In addition, he is currently a Soros Equality Fellow for the prestigious George Soros Equality Fellowship of the Open Society Foundations.

Commissioners of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights serve six-year terms.

Commission Staff Director, Mauro Morales stated: "We are pleased to welcome Commissioner Glenn D. Magpantay to be a part of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. His years of impactful policy-making experience in civil rights and in the federal government, make Commissioner Magpantay an extraordinary addition to our slate of Commissioners. We look forward to incorporating his experience and judgment in progressing the mission of the Commission, developing comprehensive civil rights policy, and overseeing the enforcement of civil rights laws."

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