



**ALVIN BRAGG**  
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### [January 2022] Full Board Report to Manhattan Community Board 6

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#### Highlights

1. Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg today announced his Executive team, which will be led by Meg Reiss who will serve as his Chief Assistant District Attorney. Ms. Reiss is a former Brooklyn and Nassau County prosecutor with more than two decades of experience in the courtroom and advancing criminal justice reform. “Meg Reiss is an exceptional lawyer, trailblazing innovator, and inspiring leader who has a proven record of using data, thinking big, and advancing effective reform,” said DA Bragg. “She brings a deep understanding of the challenges we face. I am thrilled she will be joining our team and playing a pivotal role advancing our agenda to deliver public safety and justice for all.”
2. Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg today released a detailed “Policy & Procedure Memorandum” setting out charging, bail, plea, and sentencing policies to increase safety and justice for all. DA Bragg sent the memo to the entire DA staff yesterday, followed by an all staff webinar at which Bragg explained the policies. “I have lived my entire life in Harlem and have seen all sides of the criminal legal system both professionally and personally,” said DA Bragg. “I had a gun pointed at me three by police officers, had a family member live with me after he was released from incarceration, and posted bail for a loved one. And I served as a prosecutor holding accountable corrupt politicians and those who financed large scale drug-trafficking and, just months ago, walked my family through a crime scene on our doorstep. “These policies are rooted in these life experiences and professional experiences and substantiated by data. They reflect both the need for fundamental reforms in the criminal legal system and the need for community safety. The two goals of justice and safety are not opposed to each other. They are inextricably linked. We deserve and demand both, and that has been the focus of my career, and indeed, my life.”