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## State Auditor Bump Appoints Timothy Dooling to PERAC New Commissioner holds seat as State Auditor's Designee



**Commissioner Timothy Dooling**

Auditor of the Commonwealth Suzanne Bump has appointed Timothy Dooling to the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission as her designee. Commissioner Dooling holds the seat designated in Chapter 7, Section 49 of the Massachusetts General Laws to the State Auditor or her designee. He replaces former Commissioner Gerald McDonough who served on the Commission with distinction from January 2011 until December 2015.

Commissioner Dooling currently serves as Deputy Auditor and General Counsel in the State Auditor's Office. As General Counsel, he represents the Office in legal proceedings, provides legal research for audit investigations, and is instrumental in developing legislation and legal policy. He also oversees two important units within the Auditor's Office - the Bureau of Special Investigations which is charged with detecting and preventing fraud within public assistance programs; and the Division of Local Mandates, a resource for communities seeking to determine if they have been subject to an unfunded state mandate.

Commissioner Dooling has served in various legal roles throughout state government, including in the Massachusetts Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development as general counsel and deputy director of the Department of Career Services, chief legal counsel and acting executive director of the Massachusetts Parole Board, assistant general counsel for the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department, and as an assistant district attorney for the Essex County District Attorney's Office.

He also recently served on the Boston Private Industry Council (PIC), as well as the Metro South/West Workforce Investment Board, in addition to being involved in many civic activities. He is a graduate of the University of Massachusetts Amherst and New England Law, Boston. He is a recent recipient of the 2015 "Leaders in the Law Award" presented by Massachusetts & Rhode Island Lawyers Weekly for distinguished service in the legal community.

PERAC Chairman Philip Y. Brown welcomed Commissioner Dooling to the Commission on behalf of his fellow Commissioners:

I know that my fellow Commissioners join me in welcoming Commissioner Tim Dooling to the Commission as the State Auditor's Designee. Tim brings a wealth of experience in state government to the Commission. His role in the Bureau of Special Investigations, which is charged with detecting and preventing fraud within public assistance programs, will be especially helpful in providing guidance at PERAC to our Audit and Fraud Units. In



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addition, his experience in the Division of Local Mandates will be helpful in our dealings with municipal officials who comprise a significant component of retirement board membership. We look forward to working with Tim as he begins his tenure on the Commission. We are certain that it will be a pleasurable and fruitful one.

PERAC's Executive Director Joseph E. Connarton also greeted Commissioner Dooling:

The staff and I wish former Commissioner McDonough all the best in his retirement from state service and look forward to working with Commissioner Tim Dooling as he assumes his role on the Commission representing our Vice Chair, State Auditor Suzanne Bump. Again, we are fortunate in welcoming a new Commissioner who has tailor-made experience in government in areas of significant importance at the agency. It adds greatly to the strength and capability of the Commission to welcome individuals with diverse backgrounds from both within and outside government to lend their unique viewpoints and experience to our deliberations. Commissioner Dooling's background certainly will provide significant and extremely relevant expertise. There is no doubt that his contributions to PERAC will be substantial. Welcome Commissioner Dooling!

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