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### Columbia County Clerk Sworn in as President of State Association

Albany, NY – Columbia County Clerk Holly Tanner was sworn in by the Honorable Judge Jonathan Nichols on February 14 as the President of the New York State Clerks Association, which is a one year term. The President of the Association is an elected position, by the 62 County Clerks in NYS. Paul Piperato, Rockland County Clerk is 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, with Elizabeth Larkin of Cortland County and Cheryl DiNolfo of Monroe County as second and third vice presidents respectively. “I am honored to have been elected by my peers around the state to serve as President of this esteemed Association and look forward to a rewarding year for our group,” stated Tanner. Tanner states that e-recording legislation is tops on the agenda for the Association this year, along with working out an agreement with NYS DMV regarding internet use and county revenue and continuing work with the Office of Courts Administration on e-filing as other top agenda items. “We have a busy agenda but great working committees and Clerks working on these and other issues, and I look forward to serving during this exciting time,” stated Tanner.

“I am thrilled that my neighbor clerk and good friend Holly Tanner is our new NYSACC president. Holly is not only a hardworking and honorable clerk devoted to her Columbia County Constituents, she is also a passionate advocate for all New York State residents as shown by her stances against granting licenses to illegal aliens and the recent license plate debacle. She will make an outstanding president,” stated Rensselear County Clerk Frank Merola. “Holly Tanner has been repeatedly elected to higher office in our bipartisan Association, which is a testament to her willingness to help other County Clerks improve their offices and her dedication to increasing the efficiency of County government in general. 2011 is shaping up as an important year for the County Clerks, as we move further into electronic filing and recording, and I’m glad to have Holly as our President as we face these challenges together,” stated Tom Clingan, Albany County Clerk.

Tanner was re-elected this past November to her third term as Columbia County Clerk with 65 percent of the vote, which she was thrilled over. “I love my job as County Clerk and feel that I not only meet the constitutional needs that the office prescribes, but also I put people first-I really enjoy helping people and I’m happy to be back serving my constituents.” she said. The NYS Clerks Association is best known for most recently stopping the mandatory plate reissuance as planned by then Governor Patterson “this was an unnecessary mandate on the drivers in this state by having to pay up to \$45 dollars per vehicle to keep their same plate number; it was just a way raise money off the backs of NYS Drivers,” stated Tanner, “and was overwhelming opposed by residents.” The other issue of note took on by the Clerks Association was the 2007 plan by then Governor Spitzer to issue licenses and ID cards to illegal aliens in NYS; the plan was scrapped after huge public outcry.