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## Judiciary Chair Hoylman-Sigal Statement on Nominations of Rowan Wilson as Chief Judge and Caitlin Halligan as Associate Judge for NYS Court Of Appeals

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**Background**: Today, Governor Kathy Hochul announced her nomination of Associate Judge Rowan Wilson to become the Chief Judge of the New York State Court of Appeals and, should Judge Wilson be confirmed, Caitlin Halligan to replace him as an Associate Judge.

**State Senator Brad Hoylman-Sigal, Chair of the NYS Senate Judiciary Committee**, said: "Associate Judge Rowan Wilson is an accomplished and well-respected jurist on the Court of Appeals, with a long and distinguished record in the private sector. Similarly, Caitlin Halligan, a former New York State Solicitor General, has decades of experience in both the public and private sectors and has an excellent reputation in legal circles.

The importance of these nominees to New York's highest court cannot be overstated, especially given recent decisions by federal courts on issues such as abortion, gun safety, labor and the environment.

I look forward to working with my colleagues to conduct fair and thorough hearings to examine the extensive records of Associate Judge Wilson and Ms. Halligan."