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Pennsylvania SERS Board Hires New Executive Director, Invests \$25 Million in Real Estate

HARRISBURG – The Pennsylvania State Employees' Retirement System today hired Terrill J. Sanchez as the system's next Executive Director.

Ms. Sanchez has more than 26 years of public pension experience with Pennsylvania's Public School Employees' Retirement System, where she currently serves as Deputy Executive Director. Ms. Sanchez will fill the vacancy left after prior Executive Director David Durbin retired in January, pending successful salary and start date negotiations, and necessary commonwealth approvals.

In other business, the board approved a commitment of **\$25 million to Mesirow Financial Real Estate Value Fund III, L.P.** within the Real Estate asset class, to focus on multi-family residential real estate properties in the U.S. The investment will be funded from cash subject to successful completion of contract negotiations.

The board also moved to support the use of the Institutional Limited Partners Association (ILPA) fee disclosure template.

The board also discussed a report on investment performance. As previously announced, the fund earned a 15.1% net-of-fees return on investments in 2017 that added \$3.9 billion to the fund and produced employer contribution savings of approximately \$530 million over the next five years.

Returns by asset class for the quarter and calendar year were:

Asset Class	Quarter ended 12/31/17	Calendar Year ended 12/31/17
Global Public Equity	5.2%	24.1%
Private Equity	3.3	12.8
Legacy Hedge Funds	0.9	4.9
Fixed Income	0.5	4.7
Real Estate	0.0	2.0
Cash	0.3	1.5
Multi-Strategy*	3.7	--
Total Fund	3.5%	15.1%

**Approved March 2017*

As always with SERS' investment performance reporting, all returns are reported net of fees and private equity and real estate returns lag by one quarter.

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Pennsylvania State Employees' Retirement System

Established in 1923, SERS is one of the nation's oldest retirement plans for public employees, with more than 239,000 members and assets of more than \$29 billion. A wealth of information is available at www.SERS.pa.gov.

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