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## **Report Released Today**

Today, Special Commissioner of Investigation Richard J. Condon released the findings of an investigation which substantiated that James Thomas, a teacher assigned to the Fordham Leadership Academy for Business and Technology in the Bronx, claimed to be on military leave and deployed to New Orleans to provide Hurricane Katrina disaster relief when, in fact, he had traveled to Brazil for personal reasons.

Copies of the report will be available after 12:00 p.m. at 80 Maiden Lane, 20<sup>th</sup> Floor. Refer questions be to Aquila Haynes at (212) 510-1470.

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