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## **Charleston Businesswoman Appointed to EOC**

**Columbia** – Governor Nikki Haley has appointed Evelyn Reis Perry, Charleston businesswoman and leader, to the Education Oversight Committee (EOC). “Improving the quality of public education for my grandchildren and guaranteeing a highly qualified workforce for our state are my goals as I begin my service on the EOC,” said Ms. Perry.

A graduate of the University of Wisconsin, Ms. Perry is one of a small number of female owner/operators of communications contracting firms and Muzak franchises. She has worked in management positions for more than 30 years and has led Carolina Sound Communications, headquartered in Charleston to consistently impressive growth during her time as President. In 2003, she also acquired Georgia Sound Communications, headquartered in Savannah, Georgia.

The *Charleston Regional Business Journal's* “2012 Woman of Influence,” Ms. Perry is active at the local, state and national levels. She was recently elected to the Board of Directors of the Charleston Chamber of Commerce. She has served as South Carolina Chairman of the White House Conference on Small Business delegation and as founding President of the Lowcountry Chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners. For ten years she has served on the Advisory Board of BB&T Bank. She is in her second term on the Governor’s Small Business Regulatory Review Committee. Most recently she served on Governor Haley’s committee on Health Services for SC. Mrs. Perry served as the first woman President of the International Planned Music Association and has served on its board for 25 years. Additionally, Mrs. Perry has served as Chairman of the NFIB leadership council in South Carolina for five years and has been a member of the council for 20 years. She is a member of several other community boards and serves in an advisory capacity to the South of Broadway theater company.

Ms. Perry replaces Mike Brenan, President of BB&T South Carolina, who now serves on the State Board of Education.

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