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BY HAND

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Chief Judge Judith S. Kaye
Chief Judge of the State of New York
230 Park Avenue, Suite 826
New York, New York 10169-0007

RE: Safeguarding the Public's Right to Compliance by the OCA with §211
of the Retirement and Social Security Law

Dear Chief Judge Kaye:

The enclosed January 30th letters to OCA Chief Administrative Judge Jonathan Lippman require not only his immediate supervisory attention, but *your own*.

So as to better enable Chief Judge Lippman to meet his supervisory obligations and his duty under §211 of the Retirement and Social Security Law, we reiterate the request we made to your counsel, Susan Knipps, last Thursday, January 29th, namely, that the voluminous materials we provided you relating to CJA's opposition to Mr. O'Rourke's nomination/confirmation to the Court of Claims be promptly transmitted to Judge Lippman. Those materials -- as well as §211 -- support CJA's request to Judge Lippman that he reconsider and rescind approval of Mr. O'Rourke's \$80,000 government pension on top of his \$113,000 salary as a Court of Claims judge.

Yours for a quality judiciary,



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Enclosures

cc: Chief Administrative Judge Jonathan Lippman, OCA