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Elena Sassower Center for Judicial Accountability Box 69 Gedney Station White Plains, NY 10605

Dear Ms. Sassower:

We have reviewed the materials relating to your suit against the New York Commission on Judicial Conduct you dropped off at our offices and seriously considered your request. We have concluded that the American Judicature Society is unable to assist you with your case.

In the area of judicial conduct and discipline, AJS's emphasis has always been on research and education. Furthermore, AJS has limited resources and staff and must, therefore, limit its efforts accordingly. AJS does not investigate individual cases or act as an advocate. For the same reason, although AJS is frequently asked to file amicus briefs, it very seldom does so and then only in the court of last resort and in cases that have national significance.

I have discussed this matter with Dr. Zemans and Professor Shaman, and they are in agreement.

Because they are voluminous and would be costly for you to duplicate, I am returning the materials you gave us.

Thank you for your complimentary remarks about our programs at the annual meeting. We are glad to hear you found the sessions informative.

Very truly yours,

Director, AJS Center for

Judicial Conduct Organizations

cc: Frances Zemans Jeffrey Shaman