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**Subject:** My January 25th e-mail to you -- and my subsequent testimony on the state budget

before incumbent legislators

**Attachments:** 8-10-17-open-ltr.pdf

## TO: E.J. McMahon/Empire Center for Public Policy & Brendan Muir/Reclaim New York

I have received no communications from you – or the Mercers – with respect to my below January 25<sup>th</sup> e-mail. Kindly advise whether, as I had requested, you forwarded it to the Mercers.

By the way, in the event you missed my testimony before the Legislature at its January 30<sup>th</sup> and February 5<sup>th</sup> budget hearings, the VIDEOS and EVIDENCE, in substantiation, are posted on CJA's website, <a href="http://www.judgewatch.org">www.judgewatch.org</a>, accessible *via* the link for the "2018 Legislature Session". The direct link is here: <a href="http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2018-legislature/menu-2018-legislative-session.htm">http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2018-legislature/menu-2018-legislative-session.htm</a>.

Inasmuch as the Mercers will, presumably, be heavy contributors to Republican candidate Julie Killian in her race against Democratic Assemblywoman Shelley Mayer, for the Senate seat vacated by Senator Latimer's election as Westchester County Executive – as to which the special election is April 24<sup>th</sup> – they doubtlessly would be greatly interested in viewing the VIDEO of my fiery oral presentation before Assemblywoman Mayer at the February 2<sup>nd</sup> local forum on the state budget, sponsored by Westchester's Albany Delegation. It is accessible from the same above webpage.

Kindly also forward this e-mail to the Mercers – and advise when you will be available to discuss with me the serious and substantial issues I presented to incumbent legislators on all three dates. I am available by phone, but would certainly welcome a face-to-face, in-person meeting, to which I would gladly travel to your offices for such purpose.

Thank you.

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Subject: Alerting Conservative & Republican Party Members -- & the Mercers -- of how EASY it is to achieve Conservative & Republican WINS for Governor, Attorney General, Comptroller & Legislative Seats -- NO MONEY NEEDED!

## TO: E.J. McMahon, Founder/Research Director of the Empire Center for Public Policy

This follows up our brief phone conversation this morning, for which I thank you, occasioned by your featured attendance at the upcoming New York State Conservative Party's 51st Annual Political Action Conference –

announcement of which states: "as you know, New York State elects a Governor,...Attorney General, NYS Comptroller,...and the full legislature this year."

Below is the e-mail chain to which I referred in speaking with you. I ask that you forward it to the Mercers, from whom the Republican and Conservative parties will doubtlessly be expecting substantial funding for the 2018 elections. As detailed, NO MONEY IS NEEDED TO DEFEAT INCUMBENT STATEWIDE DEMOCRATS—CUOMO, SCHNEIDERMAN, and DINAPOLI—OR INCUMBENT DEMOCRATIC STATE LEGISLATORS—because ALL must be indicted for "grand larceny of the public fisc" and other corruption. The EVIDENCE is laid out by CJA's unfolding citizen-taxpayer action, to which they are ALL defendants. The four below e-mails that comprise the chain, particularize this. They are:

- (1) my January 11, 2018 e-mail to Conservative Party Chair Michael Long and county chairs entitled "ALERT to NYS Conservative Party: You can EASILY defeat Cuomo, Schneiderman, DiNapoli -- & other incumbents -- & AT NO COST";
- (2) my January 8, 2018 e-mail to Republican Party Ed Chair Cox, separately sent to Republican party staffers and to county chairs, entitled "Alert to NYS Republican Party: YOU CAN EASILY DEFEAT CUOMO, et al. -- & AT NO COST";
- (3) my September 20, 2017 e-mail to then Republican gubernatorial contender Harry Wilson entitled "Winning the Governor's Race -- & Bringing Constitutionally-Functioning, Fiscally-Accountable Government to New York State"; and
- (4) my August 10, 2017 e-mail, sent to New York's eight recognized political parties, entitled "OPEN LETTER: The NYS Reform Part of Curtis Sliwa MUST Rescind its Endorsement of, & Party Line to, Senator Geo. Latimer for Westchester Co. Executive & the Other Parties Must Follow Suit -- Unless They Deem Corruption in Office a Qualification".

The referred-to OPEN LETTER is attached above — and it is a MUST-READ, especially as the Mercers gave over one million dollars to Westchester County Executive Astorino's unsuccessful Republican and Conservative party candidacy for re-election — which Astorino and the Republican and Conservative parties could have won, without money, by simple whistle-blowing. Their failure to whistle-blow, combined with the flagrant election-rigging of the press, which suppressed ANY report of the August 10, 2017 OPEN LETTER, resulted in Latimer's win last November.

The "fake news" that procured Latimer's victory – involving <u>The New York Times</u> and <u>Gannett</u>, among many others – will doubtless be of great interest to the Mercers. The EVIDENCE, which must be seen to be believed, is posted on CJA's website, here:

http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/westchester/press-outreach.htm.

Elections are the voters opportunity to "drain the swamp". That – and the mantra of "fake news" – are what propelled Donald Trump's 2016 electoral win as president. If New York's Republican and Conservative parties are willing to "drain the swamp" of their *own* corrupt incumbent state legislators – all also defendants in the citizen-taxpayer action – they can take the three big statewide offices. And making this even more apparent are the webpages I

created pertaining to Governor Cuomo, Attorney General Schneiderman, and Comptroller DiNapoli – each page also posting the countless corruption complaints against them that criminal and disciplinary authorities have been "sitting on", for years:

CUOMO: <a href="http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2018/cuomo.htm">http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2018/cuomo.htm</a>

SCHNEIDERMAN: http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2018/schneiderman.htm

DiNAPOLI: http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2018/dinapoli.htm.

Republican and Conservative party leaders must not forego ousting corrupt Democratic statewide incumbents simply to "protect" corrupt and complicit Republican and Conservative legislative incumbents -- including announced Republican gubernatorial candidate Assembly Minority Leader Kolb and potential Republican gubernatorial candidate Deputy Senate Majority Leader DeFrancisco. If they would do their duty to "whistle-blow" and put up a slate of strong ANTI-CORRUPTION candidates, committed to constitutional governance and fiscal accountability, the Republican and Conservative parties could capture the top statewide elective offices, which they presently have NO HOPE to win – and win big in the Legislature, as well.

I am sending a copy of this e-mail to Brendan Muir, Executive Director of Reclaim New York, also participating at the Conservative Party's Political Action Conference – for whom I left a voice mail message this morning, as yet unreturned. As you know, the Mercers are chief founders, directors, and funders of Reclaim New York.

A short time ago, I tried to directly reach the Mercers, *via* Renaissance Technologies (212-829-4460), but was unsuccessful in getting any contact e-mail or phone number for them. Kelly, who answered the phone, took a message from me. I stated to her that I had spoken to you requesting your assistance in sending this e-mail to the Mercers on my behalf, as likewise that I had contacted Mr. Muir, also for that purpose.

Please feel free to call me, anytime. As you are this state's foremost scholar of the budget, I so earnestly wish your expert opinion with respect to the citizen-taxpayer action — whose most devastating pleading with respect to the flagrant unconstitutionality of the state budget is its last: plaintiffs' March 29, 2017 verified supplemental complaint. For your convenience, the direct link is here: <a href="http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/budget/citizen-taxpayer-action/2nd/9-2-16-osc-complaint/3-29-17-osc.htm">http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/budget/citizen-taxpayer-action/2nd/9-2-16-osc-complaint/3-29-17-osc.htm</a>.

Thank you.

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Subject: ALERT to NYS Conservative Party: You can EASILY defeat Cuomo, Schneiderman, DiNapoli -- & other incumbents -- & AT NO COST

TO: NEW YORK STATE CONSERVATIVE PARTY CHAIR MICHAEL LONG & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE & COUNTY CHAIRS -

Reference is made to Ken Lovett's January 8, 2018 <u>Daily News</u> article "GOP exodus from gov race worries Conservative party boss": <a href="http://www.nydailynews.com/news/politics/lovett-gop-exodus-gov-race-worries-conservative-party-boss-article-1.3743253">http://www.nydailynews.com/news/politics/lovett-gop-exodus-gov-race-worries-conservative-party-boss-article-1.3743253</a>.

Let me help you in fielding STRONG candidates for governor, attorney general, and comptroller – as you appear unaware that the New York State Conservative Party, with or without the New York State Republican Party, can EASILY defeat incumbents Cuomo, Schneiderman, and DiNapoli and at NO COST. All it takes is a scandal – and they are GONE from the political map.

Below is my January 8, 2018 e-mail to State Republican Party Chair Ed Cox, furnishing him with my September 20, 2017 e-mail to Harry Wilson about the scandal that, IN ONE FELL SWOOP, and without expenditure of campaign monies, brings down Cuomo, Schneiderman, and DiNapoli – as likewise declared GOP gubernatorial candidate Kolb, undecided GOP gubernatorial candidate DeFrancisco, and, in non-partisan fashion, a who's who of legislative incumbents.

Notwithstanding its time-sensitive nature, I have not yet received any response from Chairman Cox – nor from other Republican Party executive officers, staff, or county chair to whom I forwarded the January 8<sup>th</sup> e-mail shortly after sending it to Chairman Cox. Nor have I yet received any response from Mr. Wilson, to whom I simultaneously sent the January 8<sup>th</sup> e-mail.

What did Mr. Wilson do to verify what my below September 20, 2017 e-mail to him recited and what its above-attached August 10, 2017 OPEN LETTER further particularized, whose EVIDENTIARY PROOF is readily-accessible from the webpage I had created: <a href="http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/8-10-17-open-ltr.htm">http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/8-10-17-open-ltr.htm</a> -- and whose starting point, identified by the OPEN LETTER, was the VIDEO of my February 6, 2013 testimony (before then Senate Finance Committee Chair DeFrancisco) about the judicial and district attorney pay raises whose larceny, at that time, was approximately \$30 million – and which is today \$300 million and currently growing by \$60 million each year: <a href="http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/feb-6-2013-testimony-evidence.htm">http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/feb-6-2013-testimony-evidence.htm</a>.

Did he not share the results with Chairman Cox so that the Republican Party could IMMEDIATELY get on track to recruit STRONG CANDIDATES for the three statewide offices, whose incumbents would have to be indicted for "grand larceny of the public fisc" and other corruption – and likewise to IMMEDIATELY recruit STRONG CANDIDATES for ALL the legislative and other offices – whose incumbents would go down in the same scandal... Did Mr. Wilson – and/or Chairman Cox – not share any of this with you?

I am available to assist the Conservative Party, to the max, in leading the way to achieving competitive elections in 2018 -- and in "Bringing Constitutionally-Functioning, Fiscally-Accountable Government to New York State".

Thank you.

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Subject: Alert to NYS Republican Party: YOU CAN EASILY DEFEAT CUOMO, et al. -- & AT NO COST

## TO: NYS REPUBLICAN PARTY CHAIRMAN ED COX --

This morning's Politico bulletin began as follows:

"The words we heard from Republican leaders, operatives and apparatchiks this weekend were stark: 'panic, 'desperate,' and 'depressing.' NYGOP Chairman Ed Cox will convene his chiefs at the Fort Orange Club this morning to hear out the three remaining men seeking to challenge Gov. Andrew Cuomo and lead the 2018 ticket and, perhaps, brainstorm ideas for down-ballot contests. 'I think everything's got to be on the table,' Erie County GOP chairman Nick Langworthy said.

Thus far, the stories about the GOP ticket are the names not on the table. First it was Harry Wilson, the business adviser from Westchester, who was regarded as the party's best horse in no small part because he was willing to put up \$10 million of his own money. (Cuomo, next week, is expected to declare he has about \$30 million.) Then Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro, too, waved off last week. Even as New York Republicans rise in Washington - there's Donald Trump, and people like Rep. Chris Collins of suburban Buffalo who are grabbing onto his star - they're struggling in New York.

'The truth of the matter is, it's very late,' said strategist Susan Del Percio. 'Anyone who is interested, unless they're extremely well-funded, needed to start running a year ago to raise money, get their name out there and raise awareness. And in this current environment, having President Trump in charge will scare away a lot of people - just look at the county executive races in Westchester and Nassau counties.'

We'll see if Cox, by this afternoon, will have some news and some names." (bold in original).

It plainly appears from this, from news articles, and from Harry Wilson's January 1<sup>st</sup> Facebook post, announcing his decision not to run for governor – and his reasons why – that you and the State Republican Party you lead are <u>unaware</u> of my below September 20, 2017 e-mail to Mr. Wilson, detailing how EASILY Cuomo and his fellow democratic statewide incumbents, Attorney General Schneiderman and Comptroller DiNapoli, can be defeated – and at NO COST – and that two candidates that the Republican Party should NOT be considering are Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb and Senate Deputy Minority Leader John DiFrancisco. Did Mr. Wilson NOT share it with you – and discuss what steps he took to verify its accuracy?

For immediate purposes – and so that you can understand how easy it was for Mr. Wilson to verify the TRUTH of my September 20<sup>th</sup> e-mail to him -- here's the link to the webpage of my testimony before Senator DiFrancisco at the Legislature's February 6, 2013 budget hearing, calling upon him to secure from Governor Cuomo, from Attorney General Schneiderman, and from Comptroller DiNapoli, among others, their findings of fact and conclusions of law with respect to the October 27, 2011 opposition report I handed up to him: <a href="http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/feb-6-2013-testimony-evidence.htm">http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/feb-6-2013-testimony-evidence.htm</a>. And what were Senator DiFrancisco's findings of fact and conclusions of law, with respect thereto – and Assembly Leader Kolb's, whose knowledge of the October 27, 2011 opposition report preceded Senator DiFrancisco's. You are a lawyer – and such findings of fact and conclusions of law as you yourself can readily make should suffice for you to recognize that the public officers involved – from Governor Cuomo on down – must be indicted for corruption whose cost, with respect to the statutorily-violative, fraudulent, and unconstitutional judicial and district attorney salary increases that were the subject of the October 27, 2011 opposition report, has been, to date, approximately \$300 million dollars, stolen from the taxpayers – a figure that presently increases by about \$60 million each year.

I have called Mr. Wilson's office this morning (914-623-8211), asking whether he shared my September 20<sup>th</sup> e-mail with you and what steps he took to verify its truth. The message I left was with his assistant Elena Milano, who confirmed for me – as she had previously – that she had furnished my September 20<sup>th</sup> e-mail to Mr. Wilson. I told her that I would now send the September 20<sup>th</sup> e-mail on to you and would cc her on the transmittal so that she could forward it on to Mr. Wilson for response.

link to your assistant Elena, as likewise, the link entitled "OUTING CORRUPT & COLLUSIVE INCUMBENTS & Ending their Road to Re-Election & Higher Office in 2017, 2018, & Beyond – WITH EVIDENCE".

The EVIDENCE that brings down incumbent Governor Cuomo, incumbent Comptroller DiNapoli, incumbent Attorney General Schneiderman, and ALL incumbent Senators and Assembly members running for re-election next year – and does so in one fell swoop — is CJA's citizen-taxpayer action, suing them for corruption. This, of course, includes the state legislators whose names have surfaced, with yours, as possible Republican contenders for governor — Senate Deputy Majority Leader John DiFrancisco and Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb — whose corruption, in office, I can attest-to from many, many years of direct interaction with each, including as reflected in a mountain of documentary PROOF, which I can readily furnish, over and beyond what is embodied in the citizen-taxpayer record.

As another name that has bobbed up as a possible Republican contender against Governor Cuomo is Westchester County Executive Rob Astorino, who lost to Governor Cuomo in 2014 and now facing a substantial re-election challenge as county executive from Senator George Latimer, I recommend that you begin your reading of the odyssey that is CJA's citizen-taxpayer action by the summary of it presented by my attached August 10, 2017 OPEN LETTER to Reform Party Chair Curtis Sliwa about Senator Latimer's record, in office. As you can see from the below e-mail, it was transmitted to the Reform Party and to New York's seven other recognized political parties – the Republican Party, among them – and also sent to County Executive Astorino. All the substantiating proof to the August 10<sup>th</sup> OPEN LETTER, including my January 2014 correspondence to County Executive Astorino, which could have WON him the governor's race against Cuomo in the November 2014 elections— and, for the Republican ticket, an electoral sweep – is posted on CJA's webpage for the OPEN LETTER. The direct link is here: <a href="http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/8-10-17-open-ltr.htm">http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/8-10-17-open-ltr.htm</a>.

I am available to assist you – and such lawyers and constitutional scholars as you assign to reviewing the citizen-taxpayer record, on your behalf – including by furnishing "hard copies" to facilitate review. As I am only a couple of blocks from your White Plains office, it would be especially easy for me to meet with you – and I would be most pleased to do so and to discuss the extraordinary opportunity you have to "fix the broken organization" that is New York State.

With appreciation and patriotism,

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Subject: OPEN LETTER: The NYS Reform Part of Curtis Sliwa MUST Rescind its Endorsement of, & Party Line to, Senator Geo. Latimer for Westchester Co. Executive & the Other Parties Must Follow Suit -- Unless They Deem Corruption in Office a Qualification

Attached is the Center for Judicial Accountability's OPEN LETTER of today's date entitled "The NYS Reform Party of Curtis Sliwa MUST Rescind its Endorsement of, & Party Line to, Senator George Latimer for Westchester County Executive & the Other Parties Must Follow Suit – Unless they Deem Corruption in Office a Qualification", herewith sent to ALL eight recognized political parties and to the three candidates seeking election/re-election to the office of Westchester County Executive: Messrs. Latimer, Astorino, and Jenkins.

The OPEN LETTER is already posted on CJA's website, <a href="www.judgewatch.org">www.judgewatch.org</a>, accessible via the prominent link "OUTING CORRUPT & COLLUSIVE INCUMBENTS & Ending their Road to Re-Election & Higher Office in 2017, 2018, & Beyond – WITH EVIDENCE". The direct link to the webpage for the letter, which also furnishes THE EVIDENCE on which it is based, is here: <a href="http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/ending-the-road-latimer.htm">http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/ending-the-road-latimer.htm</a>.

I am available to answer questions, under oath, and to assist you to the max, toward what should be our common goal of open, honest, fiscally-responsible, responsive, and accountable government, such as we do NOT remotely have on the state level... You can change that!

Thank you.

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