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TO: Advocates of Judicial Pay Raises

FROM: Elena Sassower, Director
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RE: Protecting the People of this State from Fraud: The Commission on Judicial Compensation's Duty to Identify the Case Presented by Opponents of ANY Judicial Pay Raises & to Make Findings with Respect Thereto, in Discharge of its Statutory Responsibilities

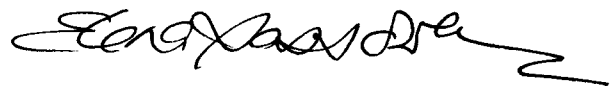
Enclosed is CJA's letter of today's date to the Commission on Judicial Compensation – to which “Advocates of Judicial Pay Raises” are indicated recipients.

We hereby invite your response – and draw your attention, in particular, to the concluding paragraph pertaining to our August 8th letter to the Commission:

***“IF** you believe that the Commission can lawfully ignore CJA's August 8th letter without its members incurring liability for official misconduct and criminal fraud and without furnishing grounds for repeal of the statute creating the Commission, over and beyond the voiding of *any* Commission recommendation to raise judicial pay, you should secure an advisory opinion from the judges and lawyers who have made the supposedly ‘compelling case’ for judicial pay raises. Indeed, CJA calls upon you to seek their opinion – and to include it in your upcoming ‘report to the governor, the legislature and the chief judge’.” (at p. 5, bold, italics, capitalization, and underlining in the original).*

This August 8th letter, with its substantiating enclosures – as likewise all our correspondence with the Commission – are posted on CJA's website, www.judgewatch.org, on our NY judicial compensation homepage entitled “Bringing Transparency, Evidence, & Public Accountability to the One-Sided, Media-Created View (*Swallowed Whole from the Judicial-Legal Establishment*) that NYS Judges are Underpaid & Entitled to a Raise”. It is readily accessed *via* our “Latest News” top panel.

Enclosure
cc: Commission on Judicial Compensation
Public & Press



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