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Sent: Monday, November 14, 2011 5:24 PM

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Subject: Thank you -- RE: Will the NYLJ be giving coverage to CJA's October 27, 2011 Opposition Report on

the judicial pay raise issue?

Dear Kris,

I do appreciate this prompt response. But no competent, unconflicted reporter taking "a close look" at CJA's October 27, 2011 Opposition Report could fail to <u>immediately</u> recognize that it is a MAJOR and continuing news story – the <u>least</u> of whose consequences <u>must</u> be a legislative override of the Commission's judicial pay recommendations.

Joel Stashenko and John Caher are each flagrantly conflicted – and they should be the first to acknowledge to you their many, many years of suppressing report of EVIDENTIARY PROOF of systemic judicial corruption involving the Commission on Judicial Conduct – at issue both with respect to Chairman Thompson's disqualifying interest and the unconstitutionality of judicial pay raises, absent findings that the Commission on Judicial Conduct and other mechanisms for safeguarding the impartiality and integrity of the judiciary are functioning.

You are the <u>Law Journal</u>'s Editor-in-Chief – and certainly in a position to "guarantee a story" based on the obvious significance of CJA's October 27, 2011 Opposition Report. In any event, why not solicit comment from scholars at New York's 15 law schools and from experts from our State's innumerable bar associations and their committees as to their views of the constitutional and statutory violations detailed by our Opposition Report and highlighted by the Executive Summary?

This should be done, in any event, as part of the <u>Law Journal</u>'s coverage – in addition to securing comment from whoever is reviewing the Opposition Report for Majority Leader Skelos, for Assembly Speaker Silver, and for Chief Judge Lippman – all of whom are themselves lawyers. I already know that the Governor's counsel, Mylan Dinerstein, will be reviewing the Opposition Report for Governor Cuomo, also a lawyer. To facilitate your securing such comment, I would be happy to supply you with contact numbers for the staff from their offices with whom I have spoken since delivering the October 27, 2011 Opposition Report.

Thank you.

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From: Kris Fischer [mailto:kfischer@alm.com] **Sent:** Monday, November 14, 2011 3:44 PM **To:** Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)

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Hello. We have a reporter taking a close look at your documents. I cannot guarantee a story but we are taking your submissions seriously.

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Regards Kris

On 11/14/11 3:30 PM, "Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)" <elena@judgewatch.org> wrote:

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