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Chairman John A. DeFrancisco New York State Senate Judiciary Committee 307 Legislative Office Building Albany, New York 12247

ATT: Carole Luther, Chief of Staff

RE: Payment for the transcript of the Senate Judiciary Committee's January 12, 2004 "hearing" to confirm the appointment of Robert S. Smith to the New York Court of Appeals

Dear Ms. Luther:

Responding to your e-mail of this date, enclosed is a \$17.00 check to cover the cost of the 68-page transcript.

Insofar as your January 20th e-mail, which advised:

"In accordance with the Senate Rules and Regulations we must charge you \$.25 a page for this transcript",

kindly identify the *specific* Senate Rules and Regulations to which you refer <u>and</u> furnish a copy.

Thank you.

Yours for a quality judiciary,

ELENA RUTH SASSOWER, Coordinator Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)

Enclosure