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From: Dan Branda <dbranda@reclaimnewyork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, September 4, 2018 12:06 PM
To: elena@judgewatch.org
Subject: Re: Achieving our Shared Goal of an Accountable & Transparent State Budget Process & Budget

Ms. Sassower,

Thank you for inviting Reclaim New York (RNY) to submit an *amicus curiae* brief on behalf of the Center for Judicial Accountability (CJA).

Unfortunately, I must decline this invitation on behalf of RNY. Due to our prior commitments, we do not have the resources to fully prepare a written position in support of CJA's appeal.

Best of luck in your efforts, and I apologize that we could not be more helpful at this time.

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Subject: Achieving our Shared Goal of an Accountable & Transparent State Budget Process & Budget -- Request for Your Amicus Curiae Participation & Other Assistance for Perfected Appeal -- Citizen-Taxpayer Action

Following up my phone conversations and messages for you last week, requesting that, individually or collectively, your organizations file an *amicus curiae* brief in the perfected appeal of CJA's second citizen-taxpayer action pertaining to the state budget, attached is my letter to you of today's date, being mailed with our appellants' brief and three-volume reproduced record on appeal. The webpage on which the brief and three-volume record are posted is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/budget/citizen-taxpayer-action/2nd/appeal/7-4-18-appellants-brief.htm>.

Kindly confirm that my letter will be promptly furnished to all those responsible for making *amicus curiae* decisions at your organizations – and the time frame within which I can expect a response, hopefully, positive and enthusiastic.

Thank you.

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