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To: 'jesse.mckinley@nytimes.com'

Subject: WHAT IS YOUR ANSWER? How do you reconcile your reporting on the NYS budget

with the NYS Constitution, Article VII, §§4, 5, 6 & Article III, §10?

Attachments: 3-29-17-press-alert-email.pdf; 2-3-17-hand-out-red-alert.pdf

Dear Mr. McKinley,

Please advise, <u>without further delay</u>, why your <u>continued</u> reporting on the NYS budget <u>continues</u> to make NO reference to what the NYS Constitution has to say about enactment of the budget -- & NO reference to CJA's ground-breaking citizen-taxpayer action on the subject.

If you do not give me the courtesy of your explanation by noon, you will leave me no choice but to contact your editors, in which case I would appreciate if you would furnish me with their names and phone numbers

Thank you.

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Subject: How do you reconcile your reporting on the NYS budget with the NYS Constitution, Article VII, §§4, 5, 6 & Article III, §10?

Dear Mr. McKinley,

This follows up our brief phone conversation – occasioned by your articles today and over the past several days about the NYS budget, NONE reflecting that it is COMPLETELY "OFF THE CONSTITUTIONAL RAILS" or that on March 29th, our non-partisan, non-profit citizens organization, Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA), which has an ongoing citizentaxpayer action addressed to the state budget, brought an order to show cause to declare the Senate & Assembly "amended" budget bills NULL AND VOID by reason of their violations of Article VII, §§4, 5, 6 and Article III, §10 and because of their fraud. Here's the link to CJA's webpage where the signed order to show cause, returnable on April 28th, is posted, together with the supporting papers: http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/budget/citizentaxpayer-action/2016/9-2-16-osc-complaint/3-29-17-osc.htm

The March 29th press alert I sent you about the order to show cause is attached and below is my follow-up April 2nd e-mail to you, furnishing you with my April 2nd e-mail to Attorney General Schneiderman – a defendant in the citizen-taxpayer action, representing himself and his fellow defendants.

As asked by my April 2nd e-mail to you: Have you read what Article VII, §§4, 5, 6 of the New York State Constitution say about how the state budget is to be enacted? How about Article III, §10 pertaining to transparency of legislative