From: Sent:	Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org> Friday, September 18, 2020 7:05 AM</elena@judgewatch.org>
То:	ghearst@timesunion.com; cseiler@timesunion.com; jjochnowitz@timesunion.com; rsmith@thecity.nyc; BLyons@TimesUnion.Com; cbragg@timesunion.com; afries@TimesUnion.com; cayla.harris@timesunion.com; anorder@timesunion.com; tucommentary@timesunion.com; tureaderrep@timesunion.com; ttyler@timesunion.com; llewis@timesunion.com; ghahn@timesunion.com; tshaffer@timesunion.com; tucitydesk@timesunion.com
Cc:	breslin@nysenate.gov; amedore@nysenate.gov; taguec@nyassembly.gov; McDonaldJ@nyassembly.gov; FahyP@nyassembly.gov; SteckP@nyassembly.gov; SantabarbaraA@nyassembly.gov; David.Soares@albanycountyny.gov; Linda.Griggs@albanycountyny.gov
Subject:	Albany County Elections 2020 Informing Voters with EVIDENCE: public corruption/grand jury complaint vs Albany County's 7 state legislators 6 running for re-election which D.A. Soares, also running for re-election, is "sitting on"
Attachments:	<u>6-4-20-complaint-albany-da-soares-revised.pdf; albany-7-23-20-da-foil.pdf</u>

TO: Albany Times Union

As you know, Albany County's seven state legislators – six running for re-election -- are subjects of a **fully-documented** public corruption/grand jury complaint, filed with Albany County District Attorney Soares, also running for re-election, who has been "sitting on" it. The complaint involves the "force of law" commission/committee scheme that gave <u>all eight of them</u> pay raises – and a legislature <u>not</u> operating at a remotely constitutional level.

The June 4, 2020 complaint, by the Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA), is above-attached – and below are the e-mails transmitting it and the above-attached July 23, 2020 FOIL request to D.A. Soares. CJA's substantiating evidentiary webpage for the complaint is here: http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2020-legislative/grand-juries.htm.

As stated by the complaint, Albany County voters are entitled to know that <u>their state legislators cannot</u> <u>be re-elected because they must be indicted for larceny and other corruption on EVIDENCE so</u> DISPOSITIVE as to assure their convictions. So, too, retiring Senator Amedore, who will be pocketing a <u>salary-based pension that is a further larceny</u>.

To facilitate your inquiries of the complained-against state legislators and D.A. Soares, I am cc'ing them on this e-mail. What, if anything, do they deny or dispute. Let them start where the complaint starts: <u>my July 16, 2019 e-mail to the Legislature's 15 stipend-receiving leaders</u> requesting that they forward the e-mail to the 198 other state legislators, with its attached <u>July 15, 2019 written</u> <u>NOTICE</u> and <u>substantiating analysis</u> establishing that the <u>December 10, 2018 Report of the Committee</u>

on Legislative and Executive Compensation – raising their legislative salaries from \$79,500 to \$110,000 – is "'a **fraud** on the People of the State of New York – and a **larceny** of their tax dollars', violating a succession of penal laws, and that their duty was to void it, to return the pay-raise monies they had already received, and to initiate criminal prosecutions of the Committee's four members and abetting attorneys." The analysis is 46 pages, excluding <u>exhibits</u>. Will they furnish you with their findings of fact and conclusions of law? If not, I'm sure ordinary Albany County citizens would be able to help you with what is <u>obvious</u>. Just accompany your story with links to the complaint and the evidentiary webpage so that they can see <u>for themselves</u> the open-and-shut, *prima facie* EVIDENCE that D.A. Soares has been withholding from an Albany County grand jury to maintain his <u>own</u> fraudulently-boosted D.A. salary, paid by Albany County taxpayers.

I am available to answer your questions and assist you, <u>to the max</u> -- on a story not only upending Albany County's state legislative and D.A. races, but, additionally, ALL New York's other state legislative races and its 14 other D.A. races – and **that's for starters**.

Thank you.

Elena Sassower, Director Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <u>www.judgewatch.org</u> 914-421-1200

From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <<u>elena@judgewatch.org</u>> Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2020 3:17 PM

To: 'David.Soares@albanycountyny.gov' <<u>David.Soares@albanycountyny.gov</u>>; 'Linda.Griggs@albanycountyny.gov' <<u>Linda.Griggs@albanycountyny.gov</u>>; 'AlbanyDA@albanycountyny.gov' <<u>AlbanyDA@albanycountyny.gov</u>>

Cc: 'Kimberly.Whipple@albanycountyny.gov' <<u>Kimberly.Whipple@albanycountyny.gov</u>>

Subject: Your wilful nonfeasance & violation of duties: June 4, 2020 public corruption complaint in support of an Albany County grand jury inquiry of "wilful misconduct in office of public officers", pursuant to Article I, §6 of the NYS Constitution...

TO: Albany County District Attorney P. David Soares

I have received no acknowledgment or other communication from you or from your Public Integrity Unit to my June 4, 2020 public corruption/grand jury complaint – just as, likewise, I received none to my four prior public corruption complaints dated July 19, 2013, January 7, 2014, June 21, 2016, and March 6, 2018.

The standard for grand jury indictments, "legally sufficient evidence", is identified by your Public Integrity Unit, whose webpage about itself, http://albanycountyda.com/Bureaus/PublicIntegrityUnit/about.aspx, reads, in full:

"The Public Integrity Unit is a manifestation of the Albany County District Attorney's commitment to abide by one standard of justice for all. No person, no matter their rank or affiliation, is above the law. Nowhere does this principle apply more meaningfully than to our elected officials. Endowed with the public trust, our elected officials and government employees are expected to act for the benefit of the citizens of Albany County, and not for personal profit or gain. On the other hand, great caution must be exercised to ensure than no person suffers personal or professional disrepute because of the dissemination of baseless or unfounded allegations of criminal conduct. For that reason, no criminal charge can be leveled unless and until supported by **legally sufficient evidence**. Integrity means that criminal charges are prosecuted in the courtrooms of our state, in a manner that is fair, just and above reproach." (bold added).

Each of my five complaints not only furnished "legally sufficient evidence", but evidence so *prima facie* and open-and-shut as to leave no doubt that a grand jury would speedily indict – and a trial jury speedily convict – the complained-against public officers and their accomplices.

As your wilful nonfeasance and violation of duties with respect to these fully-documented complaints raises reasonable questions as to your performance with respect to *other* public corruption complaints filed by *other* members of the public, I have today filed a FOIL/public information request with Albany County's Public Information Officer to help answer those questions. A copy is attached.

Finally, I take this opportunity to correct the obvious error, at page 5 of the June 4, 2020 corruption/grand jury complaint, in the first name of Assemblywoman Fahy, which is Patricia, not Patrick. Please supersede with the attached complaint correcting page 5.

Thank you.

Elena Sassower, Director Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <u>www.judgewatch.org</u> 914-421-1200

From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <<u>elena@judgewatch.org</u>> Sent: Thursday, June 11, 2020 4:49 PM

To: 'David.Soares@albanycountyny.gov' <<u>David.Soares@albanycountyny.gov</u>>; 'Linda.Griggs@albanycountyny.gov' <<u>Linda.Griggs@albanycountyny.gov</u>>

Cc: 'Kimberly.Whipple@albanycountyny.gov' <Kimberly.Whipple@albanycountyny.gov>

Subject: Superseding CORRUPTION COMPLAINT in support of an Albany County grand jury inquiry of "wilful misconduct in office of public officers", pursuant to Article I, §6 of the NYS Constitution -- & indictments based on CJA's July 15, 2019 NOTICE and analysis...

TO: Albany County District Attorney P. David Soares

Please supersede the corruption/grand jury complaint sent by the below June 4th e-mail, with the attached, correcting typos and making other essentially minor and clarifying changes. The superseding original will now be mailed.

Apologies for the inconvenience.

Thank you.

Elena Sassower, Director Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <u>www.judgewatch.org</u> <u>elena@judgewatch.org</u> 914-421-1200

From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <<u>elena@judgewatch.org</u>> Sent: Thursday, June 4, 2020 11:57 PM

To: 'David.Soares@albanycountyny.gov' <<u>David.Soares@albanycountyny.gov</u>>; 'Linda.Griggs@albanycountyny.gov' <<u>Linda.Griggs@albanycountyny.gov</u>>; 'AlbanyDA@albanycountyny.gov' <<u>AlbanyDA@albanycountyny.gov</u>>

Cc: 'Kimberly.Whipple@albanycountyny.gov' <<u>Kimberly.Whipple@albanycountyny.gov</u>>

Subject: CORRUPTION COMPLAINT in support of an Albany County grand jury inquiry of "wilful misconduct in office of public officers", pursuant to Article I, §6 of the NYS Constitution -- & indictments based on CJA's July 15, 2019 NOTICE and analysis...

Attached is the Center for Judicial Accountability's above-entitled corruption complaint of today's date. Original will be mailed. CJA's webpage on which it will be posted is here: <u>http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2020-legislative/grand-juries.htm</u>

Thank you.

Elena Sassower, Director Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <u>www.judgewatch.org</u> 914-421-1200