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Bruce Golding Gannett

Dear Bruce:

As discussed, Govenor Pataki's corrupt manipulation of judicial appointments was long ago made the subject of ethics and criminal complaints – which remain pending before the NYS Ethics Commission and the U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of New York. I would be happy to provide you with copies, as well as with all the substantiating documentation so that you can write a dynamite story on the subject. The voters of this State are entitled to know how the Governor has made HUNDREDS of judicial appointments over these past 7 years.

Meantime, enclosed is CJA's December 19, 2001 F.O.I.L. request to the NYS Senate Judiciary Committee.

As requested, enclosed are Governor Pataki's two Executive Orders relative to his Judicial Screening Committees, as well as the Screening Committees' Uniform Rules.

The telephone number for Nan Weiner, Executive Director of the Governor's Judicial Screening Committees is 518-474-1289.

Also, a propos of your lunch with Bertram Gelfand, enclosed is his powerful May 14, 1997 testimony about the NYS Commission on Judicial Conduct, which he characterized as "an exercise in institutional corruption".

Finally, enclosed is the <u>Metroland</u> article about my lawsuit against the Commission, now at the Court of Appeals.

Yours for a quality judiciary,

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

Enclosures