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RE: Installments #3, #4, & #5 of the Newsday series: "Judges"

Dear Jack:

Thanks for your return call. I look forward to working together with you on the third installment of the Newsday series about the dysfunction and corruption of state governmental mechanisms whose very purpose is to ensure the integrity of the processes of state judicial selection and discipline – the State Board of Election, the judicial screening committees, including the State Commission on Judicial Nomination, and the State Commission on Judicial Conduct.

This as a prelude to a fourth installment of the series about the extraordinary nonfeasance and misfeasance of *all* state and federal agencies and public officers with oversight over these governmental mechanisms and with a duty to ensure governmental integrity. This should properly lead to a fifth installment of the series about the dereliction of those in leadership positions outside of government, as well as the shameless cover-up by the press.

CJA has a breathtaking archive of primary source materials on ALL these subjects – meticulously organized – so that, without great difficulty, you and other Newsday reports will be able to EXPLODE all the many myths about the so-called safeguards protecting the public. As you will see, safeguards are simply non-existent.

Hopefully, much as The New York Times was the hero more than a quarter of a century ago by reporting on the cover-up of systemic police corruption, which Frank Serpico had, until then, futilely, sought to expose, so Newsday will now be the hero in reporting on the systemic judicial and governmental corruption, which for years we have worked to expose.

Meantime, I enclose pages 252-262 from Peter Maas' book, Serpico, about the pivotal role played by The Times in the groundswell which led to the formation of the Knapp Commission.

Elena