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RE: Raising Electorally-Significant Issues of Government Integrity  
Wednesday, September 9th Debate of Candidates for the Democratic  
Nomination for New York State Attorney General

Dear Mr. Koppell:

To further ensure that you received CJA's notice, e-mailed to you on Friday, September 4th, a copy is faxed herewith, together with CJA's two public interest ads, "*Restraining 'Liars in the Courtroom' and on the Public Payroll*, (NYLJ, 8/27/97, pp. 3-4) and "*Where Do You Go When Judges Break the Law*" (NYT, 10/26/94, Op-Ed page; NYLJ, 11/1/94, p. 9). So that the record is clear, your complicity in state judicial corruption, as particularized by the verified Complaint in the §1983 federal action, *Sassower v. Mangano, et al.* (¶¶10, 24, 166-178, 182-191; 195-208), would, if exposed, not only result in your electoral defeat, but your indictment and disbarment. Likewise, Attorney General Vacco, who has defended you therein with fraud and misconduct, would be electorally defeated, indicted, and disbarred.

We have already filed a criminal complaint with the U.S. Justice Department so that prosecution may be undertaken and disciplinary referral made. The criminal complaint, dated July 27, 1998, is reprinted in the appendix to the supplemental brief in *Sassower v. Mangano*, which we filed last week with the U.S. Supreme Court. Although your attorney -- Mr. Vacco -- should be able to supply you with a copy, we will deliver tomorrow to your campaign headquarters a copy of both the supplemental brief and cert petition -- so that you may have it in advance of Wednesday's debate. Likewise, we will deliver copies to the headquarters of the other contenders for the Democratic nomination, as well as to the Law Journal. To the City Bar, which already has a copy of the cert petition, we will provide the supplemental brief alone.

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It may be noted that the Law Journal and the City Bar have had the Second Circuit record on appeal and briefs in *Sassower v. Mangano* for more than a year. The City Bar also has two copies of the file of our Article 78 proceeding against the State Commission on Judicial Conduct -- the first copy of which it received more than two years ago and the second provided with our testimony before its Committee on Judicial Conduct -- the same testimony as is referred to in "*Restraining 'Liars'*". Perhaps the Law Journal and City Bar will make this evidentiary proof of government corruption available to all interested parties. Otherwise, we will unhesitatingly provide them ourselves so that all may see the complete annihilation of the rule of law and ethical standards that has occurred therein.

As I stated to you last January, when I gave you, in hand, a copy of "*Restraining 'Liars in the Courtroom' and on the Public Payroll*", it is our intention to make the transcending issues of government corruption, therein detailed and substantiated by case files, a campaign issue in the Attorney General's race. Indeed, we cannot conceive of an issue more important to the People of New York when they choose "the People's lawyer".

Yours for a quality judiciary  
and for an Attorney General worthy of being "the People's Lawyer",



ELENA RUTH SASSOWER, Coordinator  
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cc: all would-be Democratic nominees for Attorney General  
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RE: Electorally-Significant Issues of Government Integrity

Please come to the September 9th Bar Association-Law Journal debate prepared to discuss the serious issues of Attorney General fraud and misconduct, presented by the Center for Judicial Accountability's public interest ad, "*Restraining 'Liars in the Courtroom' and on the Public Payroll*" (NYLJ, 8/27/97, pp. 3-4) – a copy of which I gave you, in hand, at the City Bar in January. Such issues include your fraud and misconduct during your tenure as Attorney General, also highlighted by CJA's prior ad, "*Where Do You Go When Judges Break the Law?*" (10/26/94, NYT, Op-Ed; 11/1/94, NYLJ, p. 9), when you made false and legally unsupported and insupportable claims to the New York Court of Appeals to block its review of the Appellate Division, Second Department's dismissal of an Article 78 proceeding against itself. Among those claims was that the Appellate Division – your client – was not disqualified from deciding the proceeding, in which it was being sued for corruption.

At that time, I will provide you – and the other candidates who aspire to be "the People's Lawyer" – with copies of our unopposed cert petition and just-filed supplemental brief in the Section 1983 federal action, *Sassower v. Mangano, et al.*, S.Ct. #98-106, to which you are a party by reason of your aforementioned misconduct and complicity in state court corruption – and in which Attorney General Vacco has been unable to defend you, except by his own fraud and misconduct.

Should you wish us to fax you copies of either "*Restraining 'Liars'*" or "*Where Do You Go*", please let us know and we will promptly do so. In any event, both ads are accessible on CJA's website: [www.judgewatch.org](http://www.judgewatch.org)

cc: all would-be Democratic nominees for A.G.  
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