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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) [elena@judgewidth.org]
Sent: Wednesday, March 12, 2008 10:51 AM
To: 'kim.strassel@wsj.com'
Subject: BRAVO -- May it be the start of groundbreaking, democracy-invigorating reporting!

Dear Ms. Strassel,

BRAVO -- again -- on putting the spotlight on "the biggest lesson of all" -- the press, as Mr. Spitzer's "enabler".

There's a critical story to be developed about that -- ALL readily-verifiable from a "paper trail" of primary source documents, posted on the website of our nonpartisan, nonprofit citizens' organization, Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc., www.judgewidth.org. These chronicle YEARS of our interaction with the press, endeavoring to get it to "do[] its job" by examining Mr. Spitzer's RECORD IN OFFICE, with respect to issues of governmental integrity and, specifically the corruption of judicial selection and discipline, for which we sought investigation by Mr. Spitzer's so-called "public integrity unit".

It was the press' refusal to examine Mr. Spitzer's record in office, coupled with its glowing coverage of him, that effectively rigged the 2002 and 2006 elections --- making his 2002 re-election as Attorney General, essentially NON-COMPETITIVE, as likewise, his 2006 election as Governor. Both were landslides.

The top two sidebar panels of our website contain the most immediately pertinent information. They are (1) "Elections-Informing the Voters" -- which links to 2006 & posts your terrific opinion piece "*Spitzer's Media Enablers*"; and (2) "Press Suppression", with a "Special Topic" pertaining to the press' protectionism of him. Here is the link <http://www.judgewidth.org/web-pages/press-suppression/press-topic-spitzer.htm> -- focusing on the 2002 election and leading into the "Elections 2006: Informing the Voters" webpage.

The New York Times was the WORST of the press -- and its protectionism of Mr. Spitzer, as likewise of other public officers -- Senator Schumer, Senator Clinton, and former Governor Pataki -- has resulted in our historic public interest lawsuit against The New York Times for journalistic fraud, involving its election-rigging for them -- a lawsuit that also has been entirely suppressed by a self-serving, self-interested press.

Needless to say, I would be pleased to provide you with hard copies of all the posted documents, and not only with respect to Mr. Spitzer, but, additionally as to his lieutenant governor, David Paterson -- who will be succeeding him -- and, additionally, Senator Clinton, whose "shoe-in" presidential candidacy was also fostered by the press...

Keep up the great work!

Thank you.

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