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Professor Stephen Gillers
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Dear Professor Gillers:

A documentary on judicial abuse and corruption is being produced for A & E. The producers need an "expert", who would be willing to review the papers in our Article 78 proceeding against the New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct and assess the significance of the case.

Perhaps you have read about the case in the New York Law Journal. The Law Journal not only published in full the Supreme Court decision/order which dismissed it (NYLJ, 7/30/95, p. 1 "Decisions of Interest"), but also published my letter to the Editor (NYLJ, 8/14/95). Copies are enclosed for your convenience. I particularly draw your attention to the concluding paragraph of my letter:

"...The public and legal community are encouraged to access the papers in the Article 78 proceeding from the New York County Clerk's office (Sassower v. Commission, #95-109141)...What those papers unmistakably show is that the commission protects judges from the consequences of their judicial misconduct--and, in turn, is protected by them."

Would you be willing to serve as such "expert". If not, can you recommend a suitably distinguished attorney or law professor who would? The "Questions" that the "expert" would answer for the producers of the documentary are set forth on the enclosed sheet.

Your prompt attention would be greatly appreciated.

Yours for a quality judiciary,



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Enclosures