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**RE: "*Ethical Issues and the Practice of Public Interest Law*"  
Ethics Questions for Analysis, Discussion & Resolution  
by Professor Bruce Green**

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The follow questions represent "real life" ethics issues involving our State's foremost practitioner of "public interest law", which no one in the legal community, including the "public interest law" community, has been willing to confront and address:

1. Does Executive Law §63.1 impose a legal duty upon the New York State Attorney General to determine "the interests of the state" before he can defend and prosecute lawsuits - thus making him the State's foremost practitioner of "public interest law"?
2. Pursuant to Executive Law §63.1, what are the New York State Attorney General's legal obligations when he has NO legitimate defense to lawsuits brought against such New York State public officers and agencies as State judges and the State Commission on Judicial Conduct, sued for corruption?
3. What is the ethical duty of bar associations, law-oriented "public interest" organizations, and law schools having legal ethics institutes when presented with case file evidence that the New York State Attorney General engages in litigation misconduct, rising to a level of fraud, when he has NO legitimate defense to lawsuits brought against State judges and the State Commission on Judicial Conduct, sued for corruption?
4. What is the ethical duty of bar associations, law-oriented "public interest" organizations, and law schools having legal ethics institutes when presented with case file evidence that the judiciary, federal and state, not only covers up the New York State Attorney General's litigation misconduct (notwithstanding it would be grounds for disbarment if committed by a private attorney), but rewards the Attorney General with fraudulent judicial decisions, protecting the state judges and Commission, sued for corruption?