

Subject: RE: Again, Awaiting Your Responses, Etc.

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Dear Ms. Sasower,

There is nothing in those statements to indicate wrongdoing, only to suggest that we might find it if we looked. This is the same problem I had with your claims several years ago. It is apparent to me that you still have no hard information to back up your claims.

Be advised that further correspondence from you will not be read.

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From: Elena Ruth [mailto:elenaruth@aol.com]
Sent: Sunday, October 08, 2006 9:43 AM
To: Jochowitz, Jay
Cc: Odato, Jim; Benjamin. Elizabeth; Karlin, Rick
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Dear Mr. Jochowitz:

Please advise whether, in responding as you did by your October 4th e-mail, you bothered to read my September 28th letter to Rick Karlin -- and are satisfied with his coverage of the Senate Judiciary Committee "hearing" to confirm Justice Pigott's nomination to the New York Court of Appeals.

Please further advise whether it is your view that Times Union reporters working under YOUR SUPERVISION should not be examining the records in office of public officers running for re-election, higher office, or vying for powerful political appointments.

As succinctly stated at page 3 of my letter -- and herein *reduced to 37 words* -- **Senator John DeFrancisco is running, virtually unopposed, for reelection because the press has NOT scrutinized his record as Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman with respect to judicial selection and discipline issues -- a record warranting his prosecution for corruption.**

Similarly -- and herein *reduced to 33 words* -- **the press has NOT scrutinized the records of Senator Malcolm Smith as the Senate Judiciary Committee's Ranking Member and Senator Eric Scheideman as a Committee Member -- records likewise warranting their prosecution for corruption.** Senators Smith and Schneiderman were identified by my letter (at p. 3) as jockeying to be appointed Senate Minority Leader, a postion which has since gone to Senator Smith.

MOST IMPORTANTLY, as for the record in office of Attorney General Spitzer, my story proposal -- *reduced to 25 words* -- **concerns the hoax of his "public integrity unit", covering up systemic governmental corruption -- including corruption within the attorney general's own office and involving Mr. Spitzer personally**. Such was appropriately summarized at pages 3-4 of my letter to Mr. Karlin -- and you have long had the relevant particulars, which I discussed with you "several years ago", as likewise the fact that Mr. Spitzer's corruption in office is *readily-verifiable* from the casefile of my public interest lawsuit against the Commission on Judicial Conduct, a significant portion of which I provided you, reporter Andrew Tilghman, and Editorial Page Editor Howard Healy. To refresh your recollection as to the absolute "clarity" of it all, I refer you to my past correspondence, posted on CJA's website, www.judgewatch.org, accessible via the sidebar panel "Press Suppression - Albany Times Union". Specifically, I refer you to **my June 26, 2002 and September 25,**