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Chairman John A. DeFrancisco
New York State Senate Judiciary Committee
307 Legislative Office Building
Albany, New York 12247

ATT: Carole Luther, Chief of Staff

- RE: (1) F.O.I.L. request for stenographic transcript of the Senate Judiciary Committee's February 12, 2007 "hearing" to confirm Justice Theodore T. Jones, Jr. to the New York Court of Appeals, etc.;
- (2) Reiterated request for policy pertaining to witness requests for the transcripts of their own testimony

Dear Ms. Luther:

Pursuant to F.O.I.L., I hereby request a copy of the stenographic transcript of the Senate Judiciary Committee's February 12, 2007 "hearing" to confirm Brooklyn Supreme Court Justice Theodore T. Jones, Jr. as an associate judge of the Court of Appeals.

Additionally, please advise as to whether Chairman DeFrancisco will set a policy of providing witnesses testifying at Senate Judiciary Committee confirmation hearings on Court of Appeals nominations with copies of their testimony, free of charge, upon their request for same. As stated by my February 9, 2007 letter (at p. 2), I am requesting the stenographic transcript of my own testimony at the Committee's September 14, 2006 "hearing" to confirm Justice Pigott's nomination to the Court of Appeals and am ready to pay the \$.25 per-page cost for the balance of the transcript, totaling 81 pages altogether.

Your prompt attention would be greatly appreciated. Please advise, by fax (914-428-4994), as to the cost of these two FOIL requests -- which I will promptly remit.

Thank you.

Yours for a quality judiciary,



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