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April 12, 2017

Ms. Elena Ruth Sassower
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RE: Letter of April 10, 2017 and e-mail of April 11, 2017

Dear Ms. Sassower:

I am in receipt of the above-referenced communications regarding your request for me to take "immediate supervisory oversight" with regard to the actions of Hon. Denise Hartman in *Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. v Cuomo*, Index No. 5122-16, Albany County. The action you are requesting in your papers is not within the authority I have as Administrative Judge. Rather, any review of Judge Hartman's judicial decisions, her determination whether to recuse herself from this matter, or her refusal to issue a temporary restraining order are only subject to appellate review.

In addition, it is within Judge Hartman's prerogative to require that communication to her Chambers be done in writing and served as she directed. Nothing in the Court Rules or CPLR allows a litigant to demand that emails be received. Moreover, nothing you have submitted indicates that you chose to file this action electronically.

Finally, in previous communications with my staff you have noted your displeasure with the actions of a Court Reporter. Upon review of your complaint, I am not able to substantiate your claims. As noted to you by my staff, a Court Reporter is not obligated to release a transcript until payment has been made.

Sincerely,



Thomas A. Breslin
Administrative Judge

cc: Hon. Lawrence K. Marks
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