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Attached is the Center for Judicial Accountability's already-faxed letter of today's date to Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb – to which all Republican Assembly members are indicated recipients.

Upon my receipt of a list of their names -- not currently available from the Assembly's website – I will be sending the letter to them.

Meantime, kindly alert Republican Assembly members that the letter is posted on CJA's website, www.judgewatch.org, accessible *via* the top panel "Latest News". Here's the direct link: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/cja/latest-news.htm>.

Thank you.

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THE BEST STRATEGY FOR THE ASSEMBLY REPUBLICAN MINORITY: Assembly Rules Reform

TO: All Members of the Assembly Republican Conference

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January 7, 2013

Assembly Minority Leader Brian M. Kolb
Albany, New York

RE: THE BEST STRATEGY FOR THE ASSEMBLY REPUBLICAN MINORITY:
Assembly Rules Reform

Dear Minority Leader Kolb:

As Assembly Republicans are unlikely to become the majority party in the Assembly anytime soon, their best strategy for making their voices heard and representing their constituents is to level the playing field by championing non-partisan, good-government Assembly rules reform.

Please confirm that you will be introducing a resolution for Assembly rules reform, to be debated and voted upon at the Assembly's opening session on Wednesday, January 9th – and release a copy:

“with an accompanying memorandum identifying the extent to which they change the current Assembly rules to incorporate the salutary, non-partisan recommendations of the Brennan Center reports and/or of the Senate’s defunct Temporary Committee on Rules and Administration Reform – both its April 21, 2009 Democratic majority ‘Draft Report’ and its April 21, 2009 Republican Minority Report.” (our December

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January 7, 2012

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RE: The Best Strategy for the Assembly Republican Minority: Assembly Rules Reform

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