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Subject: **FOIL/Records Request: Governor Hochul's "whopping 25 judicial nominations" that the Senate Judiciary Committee approved at its June 5, 2024 meeting -- &, specifically, R. Nadine Fontaine & Brian Haak**

TO: Senate Records Access Officer/Secretary of the Senate Alejandra Paulino, ESQ.

At the [Senate Judiciary Committee's June 5, 2024 meeting](#), Chair Hoylman-Sigal stated:

“Today we’ll be considering a whopping 25 judicial nominations and once again I think I speak on behalf of all my colleagues that we wish we had these nominations sooner so that we could perform, undertake, and pursue the necessary due diligence to review these candidates. That said, we appreciate the Governor sending these nominations to the Senate and our teams have worked hard to review the qualifications of all the nominees. So, without further ado, I think we should proceed.”

Pursuant to [Senate Rule XIV \(“Freedom of Information”\)](#), this is to request all publicly-available records:

- (1) reflecting the date(s) the Senate and/or Senate Judiciary Committee received from Governor Hochul “the whopping 25 judicial nominations” – and, in particular, the nominations of R. Nadine Fontaine and Brian Haak;
- (2) all publicly-available materials that the Senate Judiciary Committee reviewed pertaining to Ms. Fontaine’s qualifications and, specifically, her “application”, to which she referred, and her “resume”, to which Chair Hoylman-Sigal and Ranking Member Palumbo referred;
- (3) all publicly-available materials that the Senate Judiciary Committee reviewed pertaining to Mr. Haak’s qualifications for the current nomination – and for his prior nomination by Governor Hochul, announced by her [June 7, 2023 press release](#) and approved at the [Senate Judiciary Committee’s June 8, 2023 meeting \(at 21 – 30 mins\)](#).

Thank you.

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