

From: ethics.sm.records <records@ethics.ny.gov>
Sent: Thursday, April 27, 2023 4:39 PM
To: elena@judgewatch.org

Subject: FW: Request to testify, in person, at Mar. 29th public hearing at NY Law School -- plus FOIL request (Email #1)

Attachments: Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(9).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(10).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(11).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(12).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(13).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(14).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(15).pdf; Bar Assc Outreach List.xlsx; COELIG NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING - MARCH 29, 2023.pdf; COELIG Public Hearing on March 29.pdf; coelig-annual-public-hearing-notice_final (002).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C....pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(1).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(2).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(3).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(4).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(5).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(6).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(7).pdf; Invitation to Attend and Provide Testimony at C...(8).pdf

Dear Ms. Sassower,

This email responds to your request, on March 27, 2023, seeking records related to notification of the Commission's March 29 public hearing. Due to the large number of files, the full response will be sent in several emails. Please be advised in addition to the attached records, the meeting invitation was also sent to approximately 38,000 New York State employees who are required to file financial disclosures.

Sincerely,

Records Access Officer

From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org>
Sent: Monday, March 27, 2023 12:19 PM
To: ethics.sm.PublicHearing <PublicHearing@ethics.ny.gov>
Cc: ethics.sm.records <records@ethics.ny.gov>; ethics.sm.commission <ethics@ethics.ny.gov>
Subject: Request to testify, in person, at Mar. 29th public hearing at NY Law School -- plus FOIL request

TO: [Commission on Ethics and Lobbying in Government](#)

I request to testify, in person, at [the Commission's public hearing to be held at New York Law School this Wednesday, March 29th](#).

Additionally, as it appears that I was not among the “more than 200 people” that Executive Director Berland identified as having been notified by letter of the March 29th public meeting ([VIDEO of Commission’s March 14th meeting of its communications subcommittee, at 4 hrs, 46 mins.](#)), I request, pursuant to FOIL (Public Officers Law Article VI):

- (1) a copy of such letter and its transmitting e-mail;
- (2) records reflecting the names of the people and/or entities so-favored with direct notification, so that I might discern the criteria used;
- (3) records setting forth the criteria for direct notification;
- (4) records of notification to the press.

I take this opportunity to note that I have received no response from the Commission to my below two FOIL requests of March 17th and March 20th – and the requested items have not been posted to the Commission’s website.

Thank you.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org>
Sent: Monday, March 20, 2023 1:10 PM
To: 'records@ethics.ny.gov' <records@ethics.ny.gov>
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Subject: FOIL Request: Minutes of COELIG’s Oct 6, Jan 31, Feb. 28, & Mar. 14th Meetings -- plus, as requested on Mar. 17th, Complete Agenda Materials of COELIG’s Feb 28th Meeting & Mar. 14th Meeting

TO: Records Access Officer – Commission on Ethics and Lobbying in Government (COELIG)

I am unable to find the minutes for COELIG’s meetings of October 6, 2022, January 31, 2023, February 28, 2023, and March 14, 2023. Are they not posted? If not, why – and, pursuant to FOIL, furnish them to me electronically. Likewise, with respect to my March 17th FOIL request, sent by the below e-mail.

Thank you.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org>

Sent: Friday, March 17, 2023 3:31 PM

To: 'ethics@ethics.ny.gov' <ethics@ethics.ny.gov>

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Subject: Request for Complete Agenda Materials of the Commission's Feb 28th Meeting & of the Commission's March 14th Meeting -- Including Pursuant to FOIL

TO: Commission on Ethics and Lobbying in Government

ATT: Marlena Diaz

Following up the voice mail message I left for you minutes ago, after being routed to your line, the Commission's [February 28, 2023 meeting agenda materials are incomplete](#) & I cannot locate ANY posted agenda materials for the March 14, 2023 meeting, only the VIDEO, posted on [the Commission's homepage](#).

If these agenda materials are posted, kindly send me the link(s). If they are not posted, please advise why – and furnish them to me electronically, which I further request pursuant to FOIL.

Thank you.

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