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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org>
Sent: Friday, July 15, 2016 2:58 PM
To: 'loughran@nysenate.gov'
Subject: LONG OVERDUE LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT: Primary Source Records Pertaining to Judiciary Law 183-a & County Law 700.8 et seq.

Dear Pete:

As discussed, I am happy to pull together all the primary source materials to enable you to understand what the situation is with respect to Judiciary Law 183-a, wherein the state took over, from the counties, the determination of salaries for district attorneys, tying them to judicial salaries and County Law 700.8 et seq., relating to state aid to the counties for district attorney salaries.

I have already verified, for you, that the New York State Library has relevant bill jackets, already scanned. Among them:

1969: L. 1969, chapter 415 (County Law 700.8)

1970: L. 1970, chapter 733, sec. 1 (County Law 700.9 & .10)

1972: L. 1972, chapter 946, sec. 1, 3 (Judiciary Law 183-a; repeal County Law 700.9)

1974: L. 1974 chapter 1049, secs. 1, 2, 3 (amendment to County Law 700.8 and 10)

You can obtain them, free of charge, on behalf of Senator Latimer. I, on the other hand, would have to pay \$20 for each bill jacket, for a total cost of \$80 for these four bill jackets.

I do not think that Senator Latimer and Chief of Staff Malison would have any objection to your obtaining these, for free – and letting me have access to them for purposes of reviewing and analyzing them, for you.

I will call you on Tuesday to confirm this.

The phone number of the New York State Library Reference Desk, which I already gave you, is 518-474-5355. Stephanie Barrett is the librarian who assisted me. After our phone conversation together, I left a voice mail message for her that she should expect a follow-up call, next week, from you or me ordering these four bill jackets. There are other bill jackets, but I don't yet have the citations to the chapter laws. Perhaps you have them. These relate to the 1978 amendment to County Law 700.8 and to the subsequent enactment of County Law 700.11, plus amendments to it.

Once we review and analyze these, we can examine Senate and Assembly transcripts of hearings, if any, and debates, if any, etc. from Senate Microfilm/fiche & Records: 518-455-3200 and Assembly Microfilm/fiche & Records: 518-455-4218.

Thank you.

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