

## Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)

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**From:** Martin Samoylov <martin.r.samoylov@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, April 17, 2020 9:42 AM  
**To:** Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)  
**Subject:** Re: Your op-ed was 1st-rate! -- RE: Bravo! Your terrific Op-Ed -- "Statewide Public Finance Is a Big Deal. Let's Treat It As Such." (Kings Co. Politics, April 14, 2020)

Just from reading parts of the letter and what you previously emailed, you may want to see what Assemblyman Goodell, the minority leader in the Assembly, mentioned on the constitutionality of the budget bill before it was passed: [https://nystateassembly.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view\\_id=6&clip\\_id=5446&meta\\_id=115609](https://nystateassembly.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=6&clip_id=5446&meta_id=115609)

I think the interesting part there is him mentioning the severability clause. So the budget itself would still be valid even if the non-budgetary parts of it are unconstitutional.

With best regards,  
Martin.

On Thu, Apr 16, 2020 at 11:57 PM Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <[elena@judgewatch.org](mailto:elena@judgewatch.org)> wrote:

Thank you for your kind acknowledgment.

This is a major story – impacting on this year’s elections for ALL NYS’ 213 legislative seats, beginning with those at the top – the 15 legislative “leaders” who, pursuant to the December 10, 2018 report of the Committee on Legislative and Executive Compensation, receive stipends for the “significantly more work” and “additional duties” they are expected to perform. Here’s CJA’s webpage for the 2020 legislative session: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2020-legislative/2020-session-menu.htm> – a paper-trail of primary-source evidence of what’s been going on, unreported by the press.

May you be the journalist to change that.

Again, thank you.

Elena

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