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Sent: Tuesday, August 27, 2024 5:35 PM
To: 'Chris Libonati'
Cc: 'Maximilian Eyle'; 'Patrick McCarthy'
Subject: **thank you -- Politically-explosive grand jury/public corruption complaint, filed with Onondaga D.A. Fitzpatrick, vs Onondaga County's 6 State Legislators, 5 running for re-election & 1 for election to Congress.**
Attachments: [7-18-24-daasny-notice-complaint.pdf](#);

Dear Chris,

Thank you for your prompt and clarifying e-mail. Onondaga County has six state legislators, Senator Rachel May (SD48), Senator John Mannion (SD50), Assemblyman John Lemondes (AD126), Assemblyman Al Stirpe (AD127), Assemblywoman Pamela Hunter (AD128), and Assemblyman William Magnarelli (AD129). All are running for re-election, except for Mannion who is running for Congress – and all six are the subject of a [fully-documented July 18, 2024 grand jury/public corruption complaint to Onondaga County D.A. Fitzpatrick](#), which additionally details (at pp. 4-6) D.A. Fitzpatrick's corruption, in office, and as lead co-chair of Governor Cuomo's 2013-2014 D.A-stacked Commission to Investigate Public Corruption. The complaint is above-linked and attached – and I will, additionally, forward you my July 18th e-mail transmitting it to D.A. Fitzpatrick and to New York's 61 other D.A.s., to which there has been NO response from any of them.

After you review it, I would appreciate your calling me so that I can furnish you with the electorally-significant details about [Magnarelli](#), in particular, the longest-serving, by far, of the six Onondaga County state legislators, the only lawyer among them, and fully familiar with ALL the complaint describes, including because he sits on the Assembly Ways and Means Committee, Assembly Committee on Oversight, Analysis and Investigation, and Assembly Rules Committee. He is also the only one of the six who is uncontested on the ballot.

Thank you.

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Subject: Re: Elections 2024: What counties are within your "Central New York" range of political coverage?

Hi Elena,

I appreciate your email. We have not yet expanded our elections coverage beyond Onondaga County and would be hard-pressed to do so this year with a small staff. We are interested in those counties and would include Cortland and Madison counties as part of our definition of CNY. Tompkins is more Finger Lakes or Southern Tier to us.

Here's an approximate list of what we consider to be CNY counties: Oswego, Oneida, Madison, Cortland, Cayuga and Onondaga.

Here's a bit of a breakdown on where I would get my news about surrounding counties:

- Onondaga County: Syracuse Post-Standard, Central Current
- Cayuga County: Auburn Citizen
- Cortland County: The Cortland Standard
- Tompkins County: The Ithaca Voice and Tompkins Weekly
- Oswego County: Palladium-Times
- Oneida County: Rome Sentinel, Utica Observer-Dispatch
- Madison County: Oneida Daily Dispatch

Best,
Chris

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TO: [Central Current](#)

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Your "[About Us](#)" webpage does not indicate the counties of New York that are within your "Central New York" range of political coverage.

What are they – and do they include Cortland, Madison, and Tompkins counties, which are among the [14 New York counties with D.A. elections this year](#)? Also, on what news sources do you rely for information about the performance, in office, of the state legislators from your counties of coverage, most running for re-election.

Thank you.

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