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Subject: **Are you unaware of the ongoing corruption of the NYS Commission on Prosecutorial Conduct a full 5 months since the March 6th article "New York finally has a way to discipline prosecutors. So why hasn't it?" (Gothamist, Ryan Kost)?**

Attachments: [3-30-26-ltr-to-commissioners.pdf](#);
[upload-cja-aug4-2026-complaint-v-62das.pdf](#)

TO: [Gothamist/Ryan Kost](#) & [WNYC](#)

It appears that you have still not removed the block that you placed on my professional e-mail. How shocking.

Below is the e-mail I sent a short time ago to advocates of the Commission on Prosecutorial Conduct – six of whom you quoted by your March 6th article “[New York finally has a way to discipline prosecutors. So why hasn't it?](#)”. Were you not planning to follow-up?

Please be advised that the above August 4th complaint to the Commission against NYS’ 62 D.A.s makes minor changes to the complaint I sent you on Tuesday – and was sent to the Commission this morning, as a replacement, [here](#), with a request for the 62 case file numbers assigned.

TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE with the Commission rigging the 2026 elections, *inter alia*, for governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, comptroller, and all 213 state legislative seats by their “protectionism” of NYS’ 62 DAs., at least 7 of whom are themselves on the ballot.

I am available, including over the weekend.

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Subject: Are you unaware of the ongoing corruption of the NYS Commission on Prosecutorial Conduct a full 5 months since the March 6th article "New York finally has a way to discipline prosecutors. So why hasn't it?" (Gothamist, Ryan Kost)?

TO: Commission on Prosecutorial Conduct Advocates

I have no record of response from you to my above-attached March 30, 2026 letter to the Commission on Prosecutorial Conduct, to which I cc'd you and alerted you three times by e-mail, [#1](#), [#2](#), [#3](#), attaching it twice. Did you not respond, other than Russell Neufeld who responded to the first e-mail that I had not attached the letter.

And are you unaware of the Commission's ongoing corruption a full 5 months since the March 6th Gothamist article "[New York finally has a way to discipline prosecutors. So why hasn't it?](#)" by Ryan Kost, for which six of you were quoted. As indicated by my below August 4th e-mail to the Commission, its [website](#) STILL indicates only a single instance of public discipline – the same July 15, 2025 instance, unrelated to D.A. official duties, that you criticized in your comments for the March 6th article. Have you been unaware of this – and have you NOT alerted Mr. Kost and Gothamist? How about other press?

I have found NO reporting since, other than today's Queens Daily Eagle article "[Federal court upholds ruling opening prosecutor discipline records to the public](#)" by its managing editor, Jacob Kaye, whose passing reference to the Commission is as "notoriously dormant" and, misleadingly, that it "does not have the authority to discipline prosecutors".

Please advise.

Thank you.

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Subject: CJA's March 30, 2026 Letter & Now New Complaint vs NYS' 62 DAs based on CJA's April 14, 2026 FURTHER NOTICE & Grand Jury/Public Corruption Complaint to Them

TO: [Commission on Prosecutorial Conduct Members](#)

I have received NO response to my above-attached March 30, 2026 letter sent by the below March 31st e-mail entitled "Questions Whose Answers Establish Your Duty to: (1) Remove Administrator Friedman; (2) Replace Chair Simons; (3) Hold a Hearing on Commission Rules; (4) Reinstate CJA's Nov 18, 2024 & March 21, 2025 Complaints vs NYS' DAs".

Please confirm that you have NOT responded – and the reason – and, additionally, that you have NOT responded to the letter I sent you two weeks later to which you were cc'd – this being [CJA's April 14, 2026 FURTHER NOTICE & grand jury/public corruption complaint to NYS' 62 D.A.s](#), which I e-mailed you [simultaneously with e-mailing it to them](#) – and which, as it stated (at p. 3), reinforced [CJA's November 18, 2024](#) and [March 21, 2025](#) complaints against the 62 D.A.s

As I have received NO responses from any of the 62 D.A.s to the April 14th FURTHER NOTICE & grand jury/public corruption complaint – or from their organizational entity, the District Attorneys Association of the State of New York – above-attached, additionally, and here-linked is [CJA's August 4, 2026 complaint against the 62 D.A.s](#) based thereon.

Finally, I note that [the Commission's website](#) STILL indicates only a single instance of public discipline – the July 15, 2025 public censure of then Monroe County D.A. Sandra Doorley – identified by the March 6, 2026 [Gothamist](#) article "[New York finally has a way to discipline prosecutors. So why hasn't it?](#)", to which my [March 30th letter](#) cited and linked.

As previously requested in connection with my March 30th letter, "please forward this e-mail to the Commission members whose e-mail addresses I do not have: former Judges Eng, Obus, and Dougherty, and Commission Member Loigman".

Thank you.

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The above-attached corrects my yesterday's letter which inadvertently misidentified Commissioner Obus as "Judge", rather than Vice Chair", and makes a few nonsubstantive changes. Kindly supersede.

Apologies for the inconvenience.

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Above-attached is the letter which I inadvertently failed to include in e-mailing you the below, to which Mr. Neufeld alerted me by e-mail.

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TO: [Commission on Prosecutorial Conduct Members](#)

Above attached is my self-explanatory letter of today's date, apprising the Commission members of what has been going on, in the event they do not know.

Please forward to the Commission members whose e-mail addresses I do not have: former Judges Eng, Obus, and Dougherty, and Commission Member Loigman.

I am available to answer questions, including under oath.

Thank you.

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