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**Subject:** **Jed Babbin's Feb 15th article "The Decline of Trust in the News" -- & your political science teaching & scholarship**

**Attachments:** [no18-1-oct29-2025-verified-amended-complaint-signed-by-zerman.pdf](#)

**TO:** [THE AMERICAN SPECTATOR](#)  
[Editor/Political Science Professor-Scholar Paul Kengor](#)

Germane to [Contributing Editor Jed Babbin](#)'s February 15<sup>th</sup> article "[The Decline of Trust in the News](#)" is the **Center for Judicial Accountability's federal lawsuit against The New York Times and 33 other press defendants for their *knowingly* false, corruption-abetting journalism, rigging Zohran Mamdani's electoral win as NYC mayor, to which I alerted you by my below December 29<sup>th</sup> e-mail** – without response from you or anyone else. In the event you did not forward that e-mail to Mr. Babbin, whose July 6<sup>th</sup> article "[Zohran Mamdani, 'Honest' Democrat](#)" I had listed, kindly forward this e-mail to him.

As Mr. Babbin is, according to [Wikipedia](#), a lawyer and:

"an ardent detractor of what he describes as the '[527 Media](#),' which he considers to be composed of [The New York Times](#), [The Washington Post](#), [ABC](#), [CBS](#) and [NBC](#). He alleges such outlets are little more than an extension of the [Democratic National Committee](#) and charges that they willfully distort truth to pursue their own agenda. He argues that the only way to disrupt what he sees as the 527 Media's 'narrative' is for elected Republican officials to tell the 'truth' about current situations (such as the [Iraq War](#)) without it being passed through what he sees as the filter of the 527 Media",

he assuredly will have great interest in the lawsuit, with its **causes of action for "journalistic fraud" and "reckless institutional disregard for truth" – proposed by scholars as viable under the First Amendment more than 20 years ago and then buried by them and other scholars, with resulting and accelerating democracy-destroying consequences.**

To enable Mr. Babbin to assess the posture of what is plainly a monumental, history-making lawsuit, here are my [December 19<sup>th</sup> affidavit demonstrating subject matter jurisdiction](#) and [February 23<sup>rd</sup> letter to the district judge](#), in addition to the [October 29<sup>th</sup> verified amended complaint, as signed and refiled by CJA's attorney on January 5<sup>th</sup>](#) (also above-attached). Does Mr. Babbin agree that the lawsuit is, as my December 29<sup>th</sup> e-mail stated, "a summary judgment case, as there is NO defense to it factually or legally – and that the SOLE issue is the magnitude of compensatory, presumed, and punitive damages – a jury determination that is reasonably tens of billions of dollars"?

**Kindly confirm that you are forwarding this e-mail to Mr. Babbin and, just as importantly, that you are "embody[ing] the lawsuit in your political science teaching and scholarship".**

I am available to answer questions – and invite you, Mr. Babbin, and your other authors to call.

Thank you.

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**Subject: Mamdani's election as NYC mayor was rigged by the NYT & other press. Will you report the evidence, particularized by a monumental federal lawsuit vs them?**

TO: [THE AMERICAN SPECTATOR](#)  
[Editor/Political Science Professor-Scholar Paul Kengor](#)

I am director and co-founder of the nonpartisan, nonprofit citizens' organization [Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc.](#) (CJA) and am writing to alert you, both in your capacity as editor of *The American Spector*, and as a [college political science professor and eminent scholar](#), that Zohran Mamdani's electoral win as NYC mayor was rigged by *The New York Times* and other press, all concealing, *in toto*, his corruption as a NYS assemblyman pertaining to the massive and policy-filled NYS budget, his own legislative salary, and NY's oversight/"public protection" entities, destroying constitutional, lawful NYS governance and causing vast, irreparable injury to the People of New York.

Since October 8<sup>th</sup>, this has been the subject of a federal lawsuit that CJA has brought "*on behalf of the People of the State of New York & the Public Interest*". Above-attached and here-linked is the [October 29<sup>th</sup> verified amended complaint](#) against the *NYT* and 33 other press defendants, furnishing all the particulars, with hyperlinks to the evidence. Among these, my [March 14<sup>th</sup> e-mail to Mamdani](#) entitled "ELECTIONS ARE A TIME OF ACCOUNTABILITY...", then supplemented by my [March 17<sup>th</sup> e-mail to him](#), both of which I sent Mamdani again when I cc'd him on my [March 18<sup>th</sup>](#) and [March 20<sup>th</sup>](#) e-mails to the press. He responded to none of them. Nor did the press – and among my other e-mails to the *NYT* are my [July 11<sup>th</sup> e-mail](#), my [July 13<sup>th</sup> e-mail](#), my [August 9<sup>th</sup> e-mail](#), and my [September 18<sup>th</sup> e-mail](#).

As none of the many articles about Mamdani that *The American Spectator* has published reflect the facts particularized by these e-mails or by the mountain of other primary-source evidence furnished by the verified amended complaint, I request that you forward this e-mail to their authors so that they can have the opportunity to update/correct/revise their articles accordingly

– and, additionally, that you embody the lawsuit in your political science teaching and scholarship.

Here are a list of the many articles on Mamdani that I found on The American Spector's website, including two by you:

- ["Jen Psaki Fawns Over Zohran Mamdani"](#) (June 26<sup>th</sup>, Ellie Gardey Holmes)
- ["The Fourth Era Comes to the Big Rotten Apple"](#) (June 26<sup>th</sup>, Scott McKay)
- ["Government Stores in NYC? Yes!"](#) (June 27<sup>th</sup>, Paul Kengor)
- ["What Can We Expect from a Mamdani Administration?"](#)  
(June 29<sup>th</sup>, Matt Manochio)
- ["What Zohran Mamdani Does Right"](#) (July 2<sup>nd</sup>, Shiv Parihar)
- ["The Spectacle Ep. 240: What Zohran Mamdani Means for Democrats"](#) (July 3<sup>rd</sup>,  
Melissa Mackenzie, Scott McKay)
- ["Mamdani's Victory Proves the Dems Have Abandoned Jews"](#),  
(July 5<sup>th</sup>, Gregory Lyakhov)
- ["Zohran Mamdani, 'Honest' Democrat"](#) (July 6<sup>th</sup>, Jed Babbin)
- ["Don't Underestimate Mamdani's Ability to Woo Trump Voters With a Populist-Left Agenda"](#) (July 7<sup>th</sup>, Jacob Grandstaff)
- ["Zohran Mamdani: Soul Man"](#) (July 8<sup>th</sup>, Tom Stiglich)
- ["How Universities Created Zohran Mamdani"](#) (July 11<sup>th</sup>, Paul Packer)
- ["Mamdani Markets Envy to Sell a Marxist Utopia"](#) (July 11<sup>th</sup>, Anne Hendershott)
- ["Mamdani Trapped in the Left's Tangled Web of Race and Gender"](#)  
(July 17<sup>th</sup>, J.T. Young)
- ["Intersectional Communist Zohran Mamdani Shows Democrats Can't Quit Obamaism"](#) (July 18<sup>th</sup>, Josh Hammer)
- ["Mamdani's Smoke and Mirrors"](#) (July 20<sup>th</sup>, Neil Bright)
- ["Mamdani's Makeover"](#) (Aug 4<sup>th</sup>, J.T. Young)
- ["The Hypocrisy of Zohran Mamdani's Liberal Apologists"](#)  
(Aug 13<sup>th</sup>, Robert Cherry)
- ["Sweeney, Mamdani, and the American Diner Behind the Bolshoi"](#) (Aug 15<sup>th</sup>,  
James H. McGee)
- ["Mamdani's Radical Platform Shakes Up Midterm Stakes"](#) (Aug 17<sup>th</sup>, Bob Capano)
- ["New Yorkers: Stand and Fight Mamdani"](#) (Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>, Oscar Murdock)
- ["Mayor 'Madman' Mamdani Will Do More Economic Damage Than 9/11"](#)  
(Sept 10<sup>th</sup>, Jard Whitley, David Hursey)
- ["If Mamdani Arrests Netanyahu, Should Feds Arrest Mamdani?"](#)  
(Oct 16<sup>th</sup>, Jeffrey Lord)
- ["New Yorkers Will Pay the Price for Mamdani's Hubris"](#)  
(Oct 25<sup>th</sup>, Caleb Fuller, Scott Burns)
- ["The Spectacle Ep. 291: From Empire State to Empty State: Zohran Mamdani's New York"](#) (Oct 29<sup>th</sup>, Melissa Mackenzie, Scott McKay)
- ["Reject Radical Mamdani: NYC Mayor Race Has National Ramifications"](#)  
(Oct 31<sup>st</sup>, Josh Hammer)

["Mamdani's Agenda: Stalinism and Sloth | The American Spectator"](#)  
(Nov 3<sup>rd</sup>, Derooy Murdock)

["Electing the Image: Mamdani and the Mimetic Turn in Democracy"](#)  
(Nov 4<sup>th</sup> Anne Hendershott)

["Mamdani Elected Mayor of NYC | The American Spectator"](#)  
(Nov 4<sup>th</sup>, Tom Stiglich)

["Comrade With a Condo: The Mamdani Myth Exposed"](#)  
(Nov 5<sup>th</sup>, John Mac Ghlionn)

["Mamdani: The Miracle Hair-Growth Salesman Who Claims to Have Found the Master Formula"](#) (Nov 5<sup>th</sup>, Itxu Diaz)

["Halloween Came a Few Days Late for Republicans"](#) (Nov 5<sup>th</sup>, Daniel J. Flynn)

["Mamdani Is NOT a New Phenomenon: He's the Center of the Democrat Party"](#)  
(Nov 6<sup>th</sup>, Melissa Mackenzie)

["Five Quick Things: The Mamdani Matriarchy Sets Up Shop In NYC"](#)  
(Nov 6<sup>th</sup>, Scott McKay)

["Mamdani's All-Female Fantasy"](#) (Nov 7<sup>th</sup>, John Mac Ghlionn)

["The Spectator P.M. Ep. 167: Are Women to Blame for Mamdani's Win?"](#)  
(Nov 7<sup>th</sup>, Ellie Gardey Holmes, Lyrah Margo)

["Mayor Mamdani: A Victory for Champagne Socialism"](#) (Nov 11<sup>th</sup>, Aidan Grogan)

["Mamdani Won, But Socialism Still Lost"](#) (Nov 18<sup>th</sup>, Alex Adkins)

["The Mamdani Model: More Socialist Mayors to Come"](#) (Nov 20<sup>th</sup>, Paul Kengor)

["The Anti-Colonial Shadow Over Mamdani's Socialism"](#)  
(Nov 21<sup>st</sup>, Jacob Grandstaff)

["'Mamdani the Hater' Slanders Jews and Judaism"](#), (Nov 24<sup>th</sup>, Steve Postal)

["Gooder and Harder, New York"](#) (Dec 8<sup>th</sup>, Robert Stacy McCain)

["No, Mayor-Elect Mamdani, the Homeless Are Not an Apartment Away From a Good Life"](#) (Dec 15<sup>th</sup>, Anne Hendershott)

["Mamdani's Rent Control Plans Will Make the Rental Market Worse for Working People"](#) (Dec 18<sup>th</sup>, Jacob Grandstaff).

I take this opportunity to thank [Publisher Melissa Mackenzie](#) for her moving December 16<sup>th</sup> article ["Remembering Rabbi Dov Fischer"](#), which inspired me to spend several hours watching the video link she included of his burial in Israel, reading his articles for [The American Spectator](#), and going to his own website and watching his videos. Were he still alive, I would be e-mailing him, at his indicated e-mail address, [rabbi@yioc.org](mailto:rabbi@yioc.org), with a request that, as a formerly practicing lawyer and litigator, he assist you in evaluating the federal lawsuit. I believe he would have confirmed that it is a summary judgment case, as there is NO defense to it factually or legally – and that the SOLE issue is the magnitude of compensatory, presumed, and punitive damages – a jury determination that is reasonably tens of billions of dollars. In tribute to [Rabbi Dov Fisher, ESQ.](#), please turn to your other lawyer-authors for [honest opinion](#), such as "the great former federal prosecutor [George Parry](#)", who, according Ms. Mackenzie's article, sent her "noted law professor and rabbi, Dov Fischer" – both of whom answered her prayer for "legal writers". Your [author Ben Stein, ESQ.](#) would be another excellent choice.

I am available to answer questions – and would welcome the opportunity to do so.

Thank you.

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