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BY MAIL

March 26, 2001

New York State Attorney General  
120 Broadway  
New York, New York 10271

ATT: Terry Brown, Records Access Officer

RE: New and Old F.O.I.L. requests

Dear Ms. Brown:

Pursuant to F.O.I.L., request is made for publicly-available documents relating to the educational qualifications, employment history (including dates of employment in all positions in the Attorney General's office), and current salary of the following members of Attorney General Spitzer's staff:

1. Carol Fischer, Assistant Attorney General
2. Michael S. Belohlavek, Deputy Solicitor General
3. Mark Gimpel, Deputy Solicitor General
4. Preeti D. Bansal, Solicitor General

Please also provide any publicly-available documents relating to the handling of appeals by the Attorney General's office, including documents as to procedures for ensuring the integrity of appellate submissions and supervisory oversight.

As you know, pursuant to F.O.I.L., your response is due within five business days of receipt of this request. As time is of the essence, please fax your response.

Finally, as relates to CJA's prior F.O.I.L. requests, please note we have received no response to CJA's hand-delivered April 24, 2000 letter to you, advising that we had

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received no response to our March 22, 2000 letter regarding your failure to fully respond to CJA's October 15, 1999 and December 6, 1999 F.O.I.L. requests. For your convenience, a copy of CJA's April 24, 2000 letter, with attached copy of CJA's March 22, 2000 letter, is enclosed.

Please advise when a response to CJA's March 22, 2000 letter will be forthcoming.

Thank you.

Yours for a quality judiciary,



ELENA RUTH SASSOWER, Coordinator  
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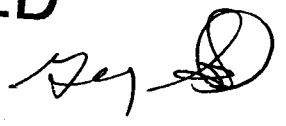
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April 24, 2000

New York State Attorney General  
120 Broadway  
New York, New York 10271

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NYS OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
NEW YORK CITY OFFICE

ATT: Terry Brown, Records Access Officer

RE: CJA's *unresponded-to* March 22, 2000 letter for  
documents pursuant to F.O.I.L.

Dear Mr. Brown:

We have received no response to CJA's March 22, 2000 letter, faxed and mailed to you on that date. A copy of the faxed receipt is enclosed.

For your convenience, another copy of the letter is hand-delivered herewith.

In view of the fact that CJA's outstanding document requests are from as far back as October 15, 1999 and December 6, 1999, please respond to our March 22, 2000 letter, highlighting your omissions, without further delay.

Yours for a quality judiciary,



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Your March 13, 2000 letter

January 25, 2000 letter to you complained  
to CJA's October 15, 1999 F.O.I.L.  
to CJA's December 6, 1999 F.O.I.L.

ONLY two-thirds of our December 6, 1999  
REQUEST AT ALL to our October 15, 1999  
than earlier F.O.I.L request (#99-149) are  
one and a half of CJA's February 25,  
response.

request (Ref. #99-197), you have failed to  
respond herein, which is for publicly-available

documents as to:

"the Attorney General's procedures for ensuring the workproduct of  
assistant attorneys general assigned to defense of Article 78  
proceedings and, in particular, those against the NYS Commission  
on Judicial Conduct"

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March 22, 2000

New York State Attorney General  
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New York, New York 10271

ATT: Terry Brown, Records Access Officer

RE: Your March 13, 2000 letter

Dear Mr. Brown:

As your know, CJA's hand-delivered February 25, 2000 letter to you complained of "the Attorney General's *partial response* to CJA's October 15, 1999 F.O.I.L. request (Ref. # 99-149) and *non-response* to CJA's December 6, 1999 F.O.I.L. request".

Your March 13, 2000 letter responds to ONLY two-thirds of our December 6, 1999 F.O.I.L. request (Ref. # 99-197) and NOT AT ALL to our October 15, 1999 F.O.I.L. request. The respects in which that earlier F.O.I.L. request (#99-149) are unresponded-to are identified in the first page and a half of CJA's February 25, 2000 letter, to which CJA requests your response.

As to CJA's December 6, 1999 F.O.I.L. request (Ref. #99-197), you have failed to respond to the third of our three requests therein, which is for publicly-available documents as to:

"the Attorney General's procedures for ensuring the workproduct of assistant attorneys general assigned to defense of Article 78 proceedings and, in particular, those against the NYS Commission on Judicial Conduct"

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So that there is no ambiguity, CJA is not requesting procedures "pursuant to CPLR 7804(c)..." - which is the first of CJA's three December 6, 1999 F.O.I.L. requests -- but procedures pertaining to oversight/supervision of Assistant Attorneys General working in the Litigation Division and, in particular, Section "D", whether or not relating to Article 78 proceedings. This should include any documents relating to procedures for addressing conflict of interest. As part thereof, please provide any publicly-available documents pertaining to jurisdiction, structure, and operations of the Attorney General's "Employee Conduct Committee".

Please also advise as to whether there are any publicly-available documents showing:

- (1) whether and for what periods Assistant Attorney General Michael Kennedy was part of Section "D";
- (2) whether any other Sections of the Litigation Bureau represent State Court Judges and the Office of Court Administration; and
- (3) whether any other Sections of the Litigation Bureau represent the Commission on Judicial Conduct

A prompt response would be appreciated.

Thank you.

Yours for a quality judiciary,

ELENA RUTH SASSOWER, Coordinator  
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