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FROM:

Elena Ruth Sassower, Coordinator

DATE:

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RE:

Citizen Opposition to Governor Pataki's Appointment of

Andrew O'Rourke to the Court of Claims

I trust you found our "Santa delivery" of materials on your desk, if not yesterday than today.

Enclosed is a copy of our today's letter to Andrew O'Rourke. I haven't put it through the spell check as yet, but, other than that, it is essentially ready to be hand-delivered to his office. I expect to be delivering it shortly.

Tomorrow, I'll drop off for you a hard copy -- as well as hard copies of our letters to James McGuire, the Governor's counsel, calling upon the Governor to withdraw the nomination and to the State Judicial Screening Committee, calling upon it to withdraw the "highly qualified" rating it conferred on Mr. O'Rourke. FYI, I am faxing herewith the first page -- still in draft -- of our letter to the members of the State Judicial Screening Committee.

Elena RUR