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Ms. Elena Ruth Sassower Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. Post Office Box 8101 White Plains, NY 10602

Dear Ms. Sassower:

Thank you for your recent correspondence to the Committee. In your complaint, you address you dissatisfaction with the confirmation process and responsiveness of the Senate Committee on the Judiciary, related to U.S. Attorney General nominee Loretta Lynch.

Senate Resolution 338, Section 2(a)(1), which sets forth the jurisdiction of the Select Committee on Ethics, vests in the Committee the authority to "receive complaints and investigate allegations of improper conduct which may reflect upon the Senate, violations of law, violations of the Senate Code of Official Conduct and violations of rules and regulations of the Senate, relating to the conduct of individuals in the performance of their duties as Members of the Senate or as officers or employees of the Senate, and to make appropriate findings of fact and conclusions with respect thereto"

With respect to your allegations, the Committee has previously concluded that mere allegations, with no evidence or information to support their substantive merit, are insufficient to extend the Committee's investigative process. Thus, based upon review of the information which you have provided, and in view of the Committee's prior decisions respecting such matters, it appears that your complaint lacks merit and no further action is appropriate with respect to the matter, which is hereby dismissed.

Sincerely,

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