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Cynthia Pooler's "Focus on Albany" radio show has once again broken new ground by her December 5th interview of me: <http://www.blogtalkradio.com/cynpooler/2013/12/05/whats-new-with-the-moreland-commission> . In it, I discuss the rigged, illegitimate, and materially dishonest report of the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption, released on December 2nd. Among the examples I highlight: footnote 330.

Have you examined footnote 330 at page 86 to the Commission's report? http://publiccorruption.moreland.ny.gov/sites/default/files/moreland_report_final.pdf

It annotates the sentence:

"A recent Siena College poll found that 91% of all respondents believed corruption in the New York State Legislature was either somewhat or very serious."

This outrightly falsifies the "recent" Siena poll, both as to the 91% figure and as to the public's view of the locus of serious or somewhat serious corruption, as the Commission well knew in truncating the title of the Siena Institute's October 21, 2013 press release to which footnote 330 cites: http://www.siena.edu/uploadedfiles/home/parents_and_community/community_page/sri/sny_poll/SNY%20October%202013%20Poll%20Release--FINAL.pdf. The title is more than "*Moreland and Its Work Largely Unknown to Voters Who Strongly Want Commission to Continue Investigations*", which is all that footnote 330 discloses. The title continues, in lettering only slightly less enlarged:

"Serious Problem: Corruption in Legislature – 82%; Rest of State Govt. – 77%..."

The full poll is here: http://www.siena.edu/uploadedfiles/home/parents_and_community/community_page/sri/sny_poll/SNY1013%20Cross%20tabs%20102113.pdf.

In other words, the public does not view public corruption as confined to the Legislature – and the Commission's DIRECT knowledge of this -- and not from polls -- is evidenced by the testimony that members of the public gave at the Commission's first public hearing on September 17th, identifying flagrant judicial corruption, covered-up by the

Commission on Judicial Conduct and a panoply of other public agencies and officers, including District Attorneys, U.S. Attorneys, the Attorney General, and the Governor. Indeed, this was only a fraction of what the public had to say about the breadth of public corruption within its knowledge and experience – as the Commission well knew when it blocked countless others from testifying at that hearing – and at its subsequent so-called “public” hearings: the second, on September 24th, which the Commission topic-limited, and the third, on October 28th, as to which the Commission announced “Members of the public are invited to attend only”. That the Commission refuses to make publicly-available the written testimony that members of the public submitted to it, most importantly, the written testimony of those barred from testifying orally at public hearings – notwithstanding they were told that “all written testimony that is submitted will be included in the record of the proceedings”, underscores the Commission’s wilful concealment of the mountain of credible information and documentary evidence, not confined to the legislative branch, that it has of public corruption at all levels and parts of New York’s state and local government.

Are Governor Cuomo and Attorney General Schneiderman – to whom the Commission has been required to report weekly “in detail” pursuant to Executive Law 63.8—unaware of what was presented at the Commission’s September 17th hearing by members of the public and by those who then and thereafter were precluded from testifying and who furnished the Commission with written statements and documentation in support of testimony? As illustrative, are they unaware of my September 17th testimony as to the “open-and-shut” case against them “for corruption, for fraud, and for grand larceny of the public fisc involving tens and hundreds of millions of dollars and ultimately billions, with respect to the judicial pay raises” that “can be verified in minutes”, for which I furnished the documentary proof, including as to the cover-up by U.S. Attorney Bharara, U.S. Attorney Lynch, U.S. Attorney Hartunian, the Joint Commission on Public Ethics, the Inspector General, and Albany County District Attorney Soares, a Commission member -- all additionally posted on a webpage of our website: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/commission-to-investigate-public-corruption/people-evidence/sassower-elena.htm>?

The press has yet to expose the deceit of Governor Cuomo’s justification of the Commission’s legislative-centric-report – as, for instance, on December 4th when he appeared on Susan Arbetter’s “Capitol Pressroom” radio show: <http://www.wcny.org/dec-4-2013-gov-cuomo-ed-cox-Ing-mario-cilento/>. Cynthia Pooler’s December 5th radio interview of me will enable you to undertake that much needed expose – and rebut, resoundingly, the Governor’s claims that because it would be a conflict of interest for the Commission to have investigated him and the Attorney General, therefore it could not have investigated them – and that, in any event, there was no evidence to investigate the Governor and Attorney General, as the evidence of corruption is in the Legislature, as manifested by the indictments against legislators that have been brought by prosecutors.

As always, I am available to be interviewed by you, to answer your questions, and to furnish contact information for many of the members of the public who testified and sought to testify about public corruption outside the Legislature, including corruption involving Governor Cuomo and Attorney General Schneiderman. Many of their names are listed on a roster on our webpage “The People have Something to Say -- & Evidence to Back It Up (& the Commission’s so-called ‘public’ hearings)”. Here’s the direct link: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/commission-to-investigate-public-corruption/people-evidence/menu-people-evidence.htm>.

Meantime, I am forwarding this e-mail to such scholars of New York’s Constitution, governance, and politics as you might reasonably be contacting for comment, lest their comment to you be uninformed by what has been happening on-the-ground, heretofore unreported by you.

Thank you.

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