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Dear Mr. Kaufman,

- 1a. As an attorney for almost thirty-eight (38) years, I am annoyed by your lack of published response to the statement of Presiding Justice Francis T. Murphy and the editorial comment by The News based on such remarks, suggesting that attorneys are "dipping into" and "stealing" from trusts and escrow accounts.
- b. My own response, entitled "An Anatomy of Judicial Corruption -- Did You Read the News' Editorial of Jan. 28, 1987?", is enclosed herein.
- 2a. I am ready to prove, by uncontrovertible documentary evidence, that it is the "friends" of Mr. Justice Murphy who are engaged in larceny of judicial trust funds, plundering, corruption, extortion, and other criminal activities, all with impunity.
- b. These criminal activities are openly being practiced because of the protection given them by members of the judiciary, including especially, Mr. Justice Murphy.
- 3a. I would be willing to present my evidence in support of my charges to yourself or any committee that you may select for that purpose.
- b. Since this matter is being distributed to the media, I believe it would not accrue to the reputation of the legal profession or the Association, if no attempt is made to "look-see" at the hard evidence and clean our "own house".
- c. If you desire some preliminary verification, I suggest that you read "Do You Want to Win a Pulitzer Prize ...." (which is being distributed extensively to the media), and make a few of the telephone calls suggested therein.

Respectfully,

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cc: Presiding Justice Francis T. Murphy

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## AN ANATOMY OF JUDICIAL CORRUPTION

## DID YOU READ THE NEWS' EDITORIAL OF JAN. 28, 1987?

1a. The News' editorial, entitled "Checking up on Lawyers", reads as follows:

"Francis Murphy, the judge in charge of the Manhattan Appellate Division, says there should be random checks on lawyers who are entrusted with money or property. Murphy points out that lawyers who are appointed to administer estates, escrow accounts, etc, are required to keep detailed records. But rarely does anyone in authority give the documents a look-see.

That provides greedy attorneys with a golden opportunity to dip into -- or just steal from -- the accounts. It happens. ...

Legal eagles are bound to squawk over the notion of random checks. The Legislature should ignore them and make this safeguard of the public interest a permanent part of the record."

- b. No, Daily News, "legal eagles" are not complaining, at least not this one!
- c. "Legal eagles" have to watch, in silence, while some of the appointed "friends" of the judiciary, including those of Presiding Justice Francis T. Murphy, steal, plunder, and extort, with impunity.
- 2a. I have been convicted, sentenced, and incarcerated three (3) times in one (1) year, without benefit of a trial, because I have caught "Murphy's friends" stealing and plundering.

I have become the object of Orders that direct the Sheriff to "break into" my residence, "seize all word processing equipment and software", and "inventory" my possessions!

b. The fact that the sanctimonious Murphy, and His Honor's robed mobsters, do not have the constitutional power to deprive anyone of a trial before such conviction, as the federal court recently held (NYLJ 12/9/86), or "break-into", "seize", and "inventory" does not disturb them.

- 3a. Puccini Clothes, Ltd. ["Puccini"], a solvent corporation was involuntarily dissolved on June 4, 1980 -- six (6) years, eight (8) months ago -- and although a final accounting and distribution should be made within one year, and the Attorney General, mandated, as a ministerial "duty" to make application for such accounting if not made within eighteen (18) months (Bus. Corp. Law §1216[a]), none has been rendered by "Murphy's friends".
- b. Unquestionably "Murphy's friends", Feltman, Karesh, Major & Farbman, Esgs. and Kreindler & Relkin, P.C. have been engaged in the massive larceny of Puccini's judicial trust assets, perjury, corruption, and extortion!
- c. Unquestionably Murphy has stonewalled any disciplinary action against such "criminals with law degrees", as well as any action by the Attorney General!
- d. Unquestionably, in addition to outright larceny of judicial trust assets, compensation totally almost a million dollars was given to "Murphy's friends", for doing absolutely nothing for their trust, although Murphy's own rule (22 NYCRR §660.24[e]), prohibited any and all compensation to them!
- e. The Bellacosa's Uniform Rules mandates an accounting "at least once a year" (202.52[e]), where is it?
- f. The "Murphy friends" cannot account without disclosing such massive larceny of judicial trust assets, it is that simple, so the Murphy mobsters throw people in jail, without a trial, to compel silence!
- 4a. "[T]hieves for their robbery have authority, when judges steal themselves" (Shakespeare's Measure for Measure, 2:02, 175).
- b. Murphy does not like "dope peddlers" and "fixers" in the park across from his Courthouse, but the "judicial fixers" and "peddlers of judicial indulgences" are royally welcomed in his Courthouse.
- c. The Legislature should enact a law that protects lawyers when they "squawk" about judicial corruption, as is their mandated duty (Disciplinary Rule 1-103).
- d. The "coins of the realm" in the Murphy bailiwick, is "corruption" and "criminal extortion"!
- e. The Fourth Estate should "look-see" the Murphy operation, rather than print His Honor's hypocrisy!