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Hon. Mario M. Cuomo Governor of the State of New York The Capitol, Albany, New York, 12224

Re: Chief Administrator JOSEPH W. BELLACOSA

Honorable Sir:

- 1. In considering the Chief Administrator as a candidate for appointment as Associate Justice of the Court of Appeals, I strongly suggest that Your Excellency request that he submit a report as to his knowledge and actions with respect to the litigation involving PUCCINI CLOTHES, LTD. ["Puccini"], in Supreme Court, New York County, and elsewhere.
- 2. The Puccini litigation involves the uncontroverted documentary evidence of larceny of judicial trust assets, perjury, judicial and official corruption, as well as criminal extortion.
- 3. I intend to, very shortly, issue a documented statement to the senate leaders, the media, and other interested groups and persons about same, including the involvement of the Chief Administrator therein.

Respectfully

GEORGE SASSOWER

cc: Chief Administrator, Joseph W. Bellacosa