

**From:** Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 2, 2024 3:58 PM  
**To:** 'Barbato, Danielle'  
**Subject:** **STATUS? -- July 9, 2024 FOIL request for records of James Caras' responsibilities as General Counsel & as Special Counsel, dates of service, & latest resume**

**TO: New York City Council FOIL Officer Danielle Barbato –**

You acknowledged my below July 9, 2024 FOIL request by a [July 17, 2024 e-mail](#) stating that it was being reviewed, that you would be “back in touch...when that process is complete”, and that you expected to provide me with “a response within 20 business days”. It is now 2-1/2 months later and I have no record of response.

Please advise.

Thank you.

Elena Sassower, Director  
Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)  
[www.judgewatch.org](http://www.judgewatch.org)  
914-421-1200  
[elena@judgewatch.org](mailto:elena@judgewatch.org)

---

**From:** Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <[elena@judgewatch.org](mailto:elena@judgewatch.org)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 9, 2024 2:22 PM  
**To:** 'Barbato, Danielle' <[DBarbato@council.nyc.gov](mailto:DBarbato@council.nyc.gov)>

**Subject: FOIL -- records of James Caras' responsibilities as General Counsel & as Special Counsel, dates of service, & latest resume**

**[TO: New York City Council FOIL Officer Danielle Barbato](#)**

According to [Governor Hochul's July 3, 2024 announcement](#) of her nomination of James Caras to the New York State Commission on Ethics and Lobbying in Government:

"James Caras served as Special Counsel to the current Speaker of the New York City Council until his retirement in 2023 and as General Counsel and then Special Counsel to the City Council under the prior Speaker."

Pursuant to FOIL, this is to request records reflecting Mr. Caras' responsibilities in those positions, the dates of his service, and the latest resume you have for him.

Thank you.

Elena Sassower, Director  
Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)  
[www.judgewatch.org](http://www.judgewatch.org)  
914-421-1200  
[elena@judgewatch.org](mailto:elena@judgewatch.org)