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**Subject:** Championing Good Government by the Public Trust Act (Governor's Program Bill #3)... **Attachments:** 8-13-13-ltr-to-latimer-buchwald.pdf; senate-how-bill-becomes-a-law.pdf; assembly-

how-bill-becomes-law.pdf; assembly-legislative-process-and-you.pdf; assembly-there-

ought-to-be-a-law.pdf

Dear Alex,

This is what I had written before our conversation moments ago. Please forward to Assemblyman Buchwald so that he can let us know, as soon as possible. We think it is a HUGE privilege to be prime sponsor of a bill as important as the Public Trust Act on behalf of one's constituents and the People of the State of New York – not to mention the Governor. If you have not done so, watch the videos of the Governor's two press conferences about the Public Trust Act – on April 9<sup>th</sup> and June 11<sup>th</sup>, surrounded by so many district attorneys in support. The videos are posted on the webpage we've created for our August 13<sup>th</sup> letter. Here's the direct link: <a href="http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/public-trust-act-functioning-legislature.htm">http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/public-trust-act-functioning-legislature.htm</a>.

Thank you.	
Elena	
Dear Alex,	

Following up our conversation this morning. The issues are too important for there to be any misunderstanding.

Please advise, *in writing*, precisely what Assemblyman Buchwald's position is with respect to our August 13<sup>th</sup> letter – especially if, as you seemed to indicate, he is reluctant to sponsor the Public Trust Act (Governor's Program Bill #3). Better still, please ask Assemblyman Buchwald to <u>directly</u> advise us, *in writing*, as to his position – and not only as to his willingness to sponsor the Public Trust Act, but as to whether he supports it. Had it come before him for a vote on the Assembly floor, would he <u>not</u> have voted for it?

We need to know from Assemblyman Buchwald, as soon as possible – and preferably by Tuesday. We want him to have the privilege of sponsorship, but we will otherwise offer it to other Assembly members, who we believe will relish the opportunity to champion good government in such a powerful way.

Thank you.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability [mailto:elena@judgewatch.org]

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**Subject:** Constituent Request that You Introduce to Public Trust Act (Governor's Program Bill #3), Consistent with the Senate & Assembly Informational Guides...

## Dear Senator Latimer & Assemblyman Buchwald,

Attached is CJA's above-entitled letter of today's date and indicated Senate & Assembly informational guides, already discussed with your staff.

These are posted on a webpage we have specially created for the letter, entitled: "The People Lead: Securing Introduction & Passage of the Public Trust Act & a Constitutionally-Functioning Legislature". It is where we have also posted the Public Trust Act and the substantiating memorandum, videos, press releases, letters, reports, etc. to which the letter refers.

The webpage is accessible *via* the "Latest News" top panel of our website, <u>www.judgewatch.org</u>. For your convenience, here's the direct link: <a href="http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/public-trust-act-functioning-legislature.htm">http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/public-trust-act-functioning-legislature.htm</a>.

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