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**Subject:** Challenging, WITH EVIDENCE, your today's article "Why Sexual Misconduct Is Unforgiveable, But Corruption Is Overlooked" (NYT, 5/13/21, Gina Bellafante)

### TO: GINIA BELLAFANTE/THE NEW YORK TIMES

Obvious from your today's article "[Why Sexual Misconduct Is Unforgiveable, But Corruption Is Overlooked](#)" and its final sentence boosting the women candidates for mayor as "accused of nothing", is that your editors and fellow reporters at The Times have not apprised you of my May 4<sup>th</sup> e-mail to them entitled "Testing the Fitness of the Democratic Mayoral Candidates: Your today's article 'Amid a Rival's Crisis, Kathryn Garcia Makes a Push' (NYT, Michael Gold, 5/4/21)" – to which the women and men mayoral candidates were cc'd.

If you **actually** believe that "corruption — real or insinuated — is often hard for ordinary people to understand", why don't you report on the **readily-verifiable corruption** of Candidate Stringer, as NYC comptroller, and Candidate Adams, as state senator – the **EVIDENCE** of which my May 4<sup>th</sup> e-mail furnished The Times – and which The Times has been concealing from "ordinary people" ever since – and which the mayoral candidates have been concealing from "ordinary people" since May 1st.

I am available to assist you with this **EVIDENCE** – including its impact on a succession of other key NYC races, as, for instance, for NYC comptroller, NYC public advocate, Manhattan district attorney, Brooklyn district attorney, Manhattan borough president, Brooklyn borough president – and county races throughout the state. CJA's webpage for the 2021 elections, from which all this inter-connected **EVIDENCE** of corruption is accessible, is here:  
<http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2021/menu-elections-2021.htm>.

Thank you.

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**Subject: Testing the Fitness of the Democratic Mayoral Candidates: Your today's article "Amid a Rival's Crisis, Kathryn Garcia Makes a Push" (NYT, Michael Gold, 5/4/21)**

**TO: THE NEW YORK TIMES**

A *propos* of your today's article "["Amid a Rival's Crisis, Kathryn Garcia Makes a Push"](#)", candidate Garcia can EASILY become a front-runner in the mayoral race. It requires nothing more than confronting EVIDENCE – and whistle-blowing.

Did she not tell you that on May 1st, I sent her the below e-mail entitled "To the whistle-blower belongs the prize -- Law Day challenge to the 'fearless, bold women' running against Scott Stringer for NYC Mayor -- & to the other Democratic mayoral candidates, as well". I received no response from her -- or from her fellow Democratic mayoral candidates to whom I simultaneously sent it.

How about investigating why? Does she and the other candidates deny or dispute that the referred-to EVIDENCE is dispositive that candidate Stringer cannot be elected mayor, because he must be indicted for corruption as NYC comptroller – and that candidate Adams is also unfit by reason of corruption, as a state senator. And what does it say about candidate Garcia and the others that they are not speaking out about the *readily-verifiable* VIDEO and other documentary EVIDENCE my e-mail furnished them, whereas, last week, they so immediately – and opportunistically – threw their support to a single accuser's uncorroborated accusation that, 20 years ago, when she was 30, she had been sexually harassed by candidate Stringer, unrelated to the performance of his office. Shouldn't you be alerting New York City voters that this is how candidates who purport to be worthy and fit to be their next mayor are conducting themselves.

I am available to be interviewed and to assist you, to the max. This is a MAJOR story – not only impacting on the New York City mayoral race, but on a multitude of other important New York City and county electoral races, as evident from CJA's 2021 Elections webpage: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2021/menu-elections-2021.htm> – the same as I provided to the mayoral candidates by my below May 1<sup>st</sup> e-mail.

Thank you.

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**Subject: To the whistle-blower belongs the prize -- Law Day challenge to the "fearless, bold women" running against Scott Stringer for NYC Mayor -- & to the other Democratic mayoral candidates, as well**

**TO: Would-Be New York City Mayors Dianne Morales and Maya Wiley**

Each of you wasted no time in condemning Scott Stringer and calling upon him to withdraw from the race for New York City mayor based on nothing more than an accusation by a political lobbyist that 20 years ago, when she was 30 and working as a volunteer on his electoral campaign for New York City public advocate, he had sexually harassed her.

According to the Working Families Party, which thereafter withdrew its support from Mr. Stringer, in your favor, you are "fearless, bold women".

Shouldn't "fearless, bold women" have risen above their clear self-interest? Faced with Mr. Stringer's denials of this single, uncorroborated accusation – one, moreover, unconnected to his performance in office as an elected official, spanning decades – did you not believe it was your duty to stand up for the presumption of innocence to which he was and is entitled?

Quite properly, Mr. Stringer has not withdrawn from the race, despite massive defections of supporters resulting from this uncorroborated accusation, unconnected with his performance in office.

So that voters may know the kind of "fearless, bold women" you are, how about demonstrating your fitness for the office to which you would deprive Mr. Stringer? Will you "blow the whistle" on his public corruption, as New York City Comptroller, affecting ALL the People of the State of New York – as to which the PROOF is open-and-shut and *prima facie*, mandating that he be indicted. Specifically, Mr. Stringer, as New York City Comptroller, was a member of the four-member Committee on Legislative and Executive Compensation, whose December 10, 2018 report, recommending pay raises for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General, Comptroller and NY's 213 state legislators, was a "false instrument", violative of a succession of penal laws. This is PROVEN by a FULLY-DOCUMENTED July 15, 2019 analysis of the report by the Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA), the non-partisan, non-profit citizens' organization of which I am director and co-founder. Indeed, the VIDEO of Mr. Stringer's behavior during my testimony before him at the Committee's November 30, 2018 public hearing is itself EVIDENCE of his unfitness for any office of public trust.

The July 15, 2019 analysis and the VIDEO of my November 30, 2018 testimony are posted on CJA's website, [www.judgewatch.org](http://www.judgewatch.org), conveniently accessible from its prominent center link: "[ELECTIONS 2021 – starting with NYC's most important races – for NYC Mayor...](#)". That is where you will also find VIDEO and other EVIDENCE of public corruption by New York City mayoral candidate Brooklyn Borough President Eric Adams – as state senator – about which, as "fearless, bold women", your duty is to also "whistle-blow", lest he be elected mayor.

So that candidates Stringer and Adams can each be heard in their own defense as to this posted EVIDENCE, I am cc'ing them on this e-mail. Likewise, I am cc'ing other candidates competing in the June 22<sup>nd</sup> Democratic mayoral primary, many of whom also condemned Mr. Stringer and called for him to withdraw as a mayoral candidate. Those with websites and e-mail addresses are Kathryn Garcia, Andrew Yang, Shaun Donovan, Raymond McGuire, Aaron Foldenauer,

Esq., Art Chang, and Jocelyn Taylor. As with you, their fitness for office must also be tested by the above referred-to EVIDENCE. What do they have to say about it? To the whistle-blower belongs the prize!

I am available to answer questions and to assist every candidate – including the complained-against -- in verifying the truth of the foregoing, *readily*-accomplished from the VIDEO and other posted documentary EVIDENCE.

To further assist you, I will wait until Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, before forwarding this e-mail to New York City and statewide press. They, too, must be tested as to whether they believe that New York City voters should concern themselves with a single uncorroborated sexual harassment accusation against candidate Stringer, unrelated to his public office, but not DISPOSITIVE EVIDENCE of his public corruption and that of candidate Adams, detrimentally impacting upon the integrity and constitutionality of New York state governance. Do you?

Thank you.

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