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Subject: TIPS: BEHIND THE SCENES -- Your article: "Cuomo Impeachment Probe Advances: 75

Witnesses Contacted, 'Tens Of Thousands' Of Documents Reviewed" (Forbes, May 26,

2021)

Attachments: 3-18-20-ltr-to-gov.pdf; 8-21-13-ltr-to-gov.pdf; 4-7-21-email-to-davis-polk-1.pdf

## TO: Jemima McEvoy/Forbes

Your article "<u>Cuomo Impeachment Probe Advances: 75 Witnesses Contacted, 'Tens Of Thousands' Of Documents Reviewed</u>" reports Assembly Judiciary Committee Chair Lavine's comments at what you describe as yesterday's "briefing" and "latest public update" – before the Committee went into executive session. Your article highlights:

## **CRUCIAL QUOTE**

"I am very pleased with the progress so far," Lavine said.

## **SURPRISING FACT**

Addressing reports the budget for the state impeachment inquiry had been capped at \$250,000, Lavine said that sum is just the "initial" amount that has been allocated, but that it will be increased as needed. "This is the payment mechanism routinely followed," he said.

This "Crucial Quote" is a fraud upon the public by Lavine. So, too, the "Surprising Fact" by his inference that Davis Polk should be – and will be – getting more money. Proving this is the below May 25<sup>th</sup> e-mail of specifics I sent to Lavine, to the Committee's 20 other members, and to Assembly Administrative Counsel entitled: "Emergency Action & Oversight Required: The Assembly's taxpayer-paid counsel, Davis Polk, is in breach of its contract & its publicly-made promises to safeguard vs conflicts of interest in investigating whether Gov. Cuomo committed impeachable acts". It called for Davis Polk to be fired, for cause – and asked that the issue of its breach of contract, born of conflicts of interest, be placed as #1 on the agenda of the Committee's May 26<sup>th</sup> meeting. Was it? – and what are Davis Polk's answers to its questions?

Please call me about this MAJOR, MAJOR story...

Thank you.

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