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Subject: Bravo! Your column -- "Is this fair treatment for Cuomo" (Daily News, Aug 10, 2021)

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TO: James Zirin, ESQ.

I have just read your yesterday's column in the <u>Daily News</u>, "<u>Is this fair treatment for Cuomo</u>" – and agree, even had I not discovered, a short time earlier, the <u>August 4th letter from Cuomo's lawyers</u> in response to the August 3rd report of Cuomo's purported "sexual harassment". Indeed, after reading your column, I re-read the August 4th letter more carefully, discovering that its footnote 16 cites your April 6th <u>Daily News</u> column "<u>The knives are out for Cuomo</u>", which I then read. I agree with that column, as well.

Might you be interested in writing more? The press has been covering up what has been going on, now and for years – and such is the subject of my below yesterday's e-mail to Ronan Farrow, responding to his yesterday's article in the New Yorker, "Andrew Cuomo's War Against A Federal Prosecutor" pertaining to Bharara and the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption. To further whet your interest, and since both your columns question the propriety of AG James' selection of Joon Kim because of his work with Bharara in the US Attorney's Office, would you not agree, based on the particulars of the August 4th letter which state:

"From April 2013 until March 2017, Mr. Kim served as Chief Counsel, Chief of the Criminal Division, and Deputy U.S. Attorney under U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara, and he ultimately succeeded Mr. Bharara as Acting U.S. Attorney from March 2017 until January 2018. It has been widely reported that, in those positions, Mr. Kim played major roles in the SDNY's grand jury investigation of Governor Cuomo's disbanding of the Moreland Commission..." (at p. 4),

that Kim would necessarily have been privy to the FULLY-DOCUMENTED <u>April 15, 2013 corruption complaint against Cuomo, et al</u> that I hand-delivered to the U.S. Attorney's Manhattan Office for Bharara – and <u>my extensive 2013-2015 correspondence and communications to Bharara and the U.S. Attorney's Office based thereon and pertaining to the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption and JCOPE. In any event, and as reflected by my September 27, 2017 complaint, addressed to Kim, and quoting his September 26, 2017 press statement "...we are as committed as ever to doing everything we can to keep our government honest", he was Acting U.S. Attorney at that time: <u>complaint formside 1 side 2.</u></u>

I would be delighted to have the benefit of your thoughts – and if you would write or speak about any aspect of the below.

Thank you.

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