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RE: The explosive political ramifications on Attorney General Spitzer and Governor Pataki of the pending public interest lawsuit against the NYS Commission on Judicial Conduct

Dear Mr. McKinley:

I was disappointed that you could not spare a half hour to meet with me today to finish off reviewing the FIVE fraudulent judicial decisions of which the NYS Commission on Judicial Conduct has been the beneficiary. According to Ms. Shatraw's Tuesday's voice mail message, you are "really busy with campaign things" and you "ha[ve] not had a chance to read all the material I left with you" when we met together three weeks ago, on Friday, June 28th.

From the most cursory review of the file of my public interest lawsuit against the NYS Commission on Judicial Conduct, which I left with you, you should already recognize that the lawsuit is among the most groundbreaking "campaign things" there is to report – and that I have not exaggerated in stating that it will end Attorney General Spitzer's political future, if not his legal career – and that its criminal ramifications reach Governor Pataki. Indeed, the purpose of my meeting with you three weeks ago was to enable you to verify this for yourself, based on the file – review of which I sought to expedite by pointing out its most pertinent parts.

As Ms. Shatraw's message indicated that you were leaving on a two-week vacation, I wish you a restful and enjoyable time. I do hope, however, that when you return, with the campaign season heating up, there will be time for us to sit down together on this important story. Obviously, if you are then too busy for this electorally-explosive story, it must be passed on – and sooner, rather than later – to other Times reporters who will be able to give it the time it deserves.

Meantime, I enclose the first three pages from Mr. Spitzer's 1998 campaign policy paper, "Making New York State the Nation's Leader in Public Integrity...", particularizing the bold steps he then promised New Yorkers he would be taking to root out government corruption. These provide a stark contrast to Mr. Spitzer's 2002 re-election website [www.spitzer2002.com] which never mentions governmental corruption as an issue and gives only a single passing reference to "public integrity". Examination of the lawsuit file – especially my affidavit in support of my July 28, 1999 omnibus motion -- reveals why.

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