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May 3, 1999

Robert Freeman, Executive Director  
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RE: F.O.I.L.  
NYS COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL NOMINATION  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR


Dear Mr. Freeman:

Thank you for your April 26, 1999 letter confirming that the Commission on Judicial Nomination is subject to F.O.I.L. and will be complying with its requirements. Enclosed is a copy of CJA's May 3, 1999 letter to Mr. Summit in reference thereto, pointing out that we have had no response to our March 12, 1999 letter<sup>1</sup> invoking F.O.I.L. to obtain the Commission's written reports of its "well qualified" recommendees for the Court of Appeals over its 20-year history.

Also enclosed is CJA's March 30, 1999 letter to Rosario Vizzie, the Governor's Records Access Officer -- to which the Committee on Open Government is an indicated recipient -- as well as a copy of Mr. Vizzie's April 7, 1999 letter, acknowledging our F.O.I.L. request and stating that a response could be expected "no later than May 6, 1999".

Again, thank you for your assistance.

Yours for a quality judiciary,



ELENA RUTH SASSOWER, Coordinator  
Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)

Enclosures

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<sup>1</sup> CJA's March 12, 1999 letter, which I faxed you under a March 30th coverletter, is enclosed herewith as Exhibit "A" to CJA's March 30, 1999 letter to Rosario Vizzie, *infra*