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Subject: NEWS LEAD: Commission to Investigate Public Corruption has, without explanation, taken down Sept. 18th public hearing (in Buffalo) from its website
Attachments: 8-5-13-ltr-calcaterra-8pp.pdf

Dear Bill,

Following up our brief conversation moments ago, relating the content of the below e-mail, here's the e-mail, with the attached August 5th letter, to which there has been no response. For your convenience, here's the direct link to the Commission's website: <http://www.publiccorruption.moreland.ny.gov/> and to our webpage devoted to the Commission: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/commission-on-public-corruption.htm>

We need the press to keep the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption true to its name and announced purpose. The Daily News has been doing powerful reporting on conflicts of interest at the Commission – what about reporting on its policies & procedures for handling those and other conflicts?

Thank you.

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Subject: **Request that the Upcoming Public Hearings of the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption be Live-Streamed, Videoed, & Stenographically Recorded, Etc.**

Dear Executive Director Calcaterra:

This is to request that the upcoming public hearings of the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption be streamed live and video recorded, in addition to being recorded and transcribed stenographically.

Please confirm that this will be done – and explain why the Commission's website now indicates no public hearing on Wednesday, September 18th (in Buffalo), but only on Tuesday, September 17th (in Manhattan) and Tuesday, September 24th (outside Albany).

Finally, it appears that in response to our August 5th letter (at p. 5), the Commission has now expanded its website to include a button entitled "EXECUTIVE STAFF", furnishing their names and brief bios. However, where is the Commission's response to the balance of our August 5th letter? We have received none – and our below e-mail to you and Commission co-chairs D.A. William Fitzpatrick, D.A. Kathleen Rice, and Milton Williams, Jr. , sent last week, alerted you and them of that fact. Please advise.

Thank you.