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Subject: Questioning Suffolk County D.A. Candidates Sini & Perini about their OWN D.A. salaries, tied to judicial salaries -- scheduled to bump up approx. \$10,000 next year, paid from the Suffolk County budget
Attachments: 9-5-17-suffolk-da-candidates.pdf

TO: David Schwartz/Newsday

Thank you for your prompt return call. Attached is my September 5, 2017 letter to Suffolk D.A. Candidates Sini & Perini, asking them, in the first instance, to identify for the voters whether they will repudiate the \$10,000 salary increase, paid from the county budget, which they will receive next year, unless overridden by the Legislature. Below is the e-mail chain that includes my exchange with Legislator Lindsay about the D.A. salary that the Suffolk County Legislature's resolution CANNOT freeze.

All referred-to evidence – including the record of the citizen-taxpayer action, establishing the unlawfulness of the judicial salaries – and D.A. salaries – is accessible from CJA's webpage for the September 5, 2017 letter, here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/long-island/suffolk-da.htm>. Do watch the VIDEO of my January 30, 2017 testimony before the Legislature at its budget hearing on "local government officials/general government", as I describe, in detail, the D.A. salary issue – affecting the counties throughout the state. The direct webpage for it is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2017-legislature/budget-hearings.htm>.

By the way, in the event you did not see Greg Blass's September 11, 2017 column in the Riverhead Local: "*How the Suffolk County DA came to be the highest paid elected official in the county – and what you can do about it*", it is here: <https://riverheadlocal.com/2017/09/11/greg-blass-suffolk-da-came-highest-paid-elected-official-county-can/>. As Gregg did, I encourage you to empower Newsday readers to make their own assessment of the issues presented by my September 5, 2017 letter by including a link to CJA's webpage with its substantiating proof.

I am available to assist you, to the max. Call anytime – no matter how early or late. This is a MAJOR story, with repercussions on so many races this year, including for Oyster Bay Town supervisor involving former Assemblyman Joseph Saladino, who was present for my testimony at the Legislature's February 6, 2013 "public protection" budget hearing, where I handed-up the EVIDENCE establishing the statutory violations, fraudulence, and unconstitutionality of the judicial pay raises – and, in turn, the district attorney pay raises, about which I also then testified. CJA's webpage for that race, prominently posting a link for the VIDEO of the February 6, 2013 hearing AND my October 12, 2017 e-mail to Oyster Bay Town Supervisor Candidate Marc Herman, is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/long-island/ending-the-road-saladino.htm>.

Thank you.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) [<mailto:elena@judgewatch.org>]
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Subject: Thank you -- RE: Superseding Letter: Informing the Suffolk County Legislature & Suffolk County Voters -- TODAY's Legislative Board Meeting -- Resolution #1576-2017 -- Freezing Salaries of Suffolk Co. Elected Officials

Dear Legislator Lindsay,

I so greatly appreciate your kind e-mail. I will be back in touch with you, with updates on the lawsuit – and on my follow-up FOIL requests to Suffolk County pertaining to D.A. salary, already sent.

Thank you, again.

Yours, for good government,

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From: Lindsay, William [<mailto:William.Lindsay@suffolkcountyny.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, September 6, 2017 12:01 PM
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Cc: Reynolds, Kristi <Kristi.Reynolds@suffolkcountyny.gov>
Subject: RE: Superseding Letter: Informing the Suffolk County Legislature & Suffolk County Voters -- TODAY's Legislative Board Meeting -- Resolution #1576-2017 -- Freezing Salaries of Suffolk Co. Elected Officials

Dear Ms. Sassower:

Thank you for your correspondence regarding IR 1576. As the original sponsor of 2 similar pieces of legislation which failed to make it out of committee, I read your arguments with great interest. I was unaware that 1576 couldn't affect the District Attorney's salary but will affect all 18 Legislators, County Clerk, County Comptroller and County Executive. Obviously there is nothing we can do at the County level to supersede the State legislation.

If you could continue to provide me with updates as your lawsuit works its way through the judicial process, I would greatly appreciate it.

I wish you the best of luck with that process.

Best regards,

William J Lindsay

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Re-sent to reflect, in the title line, that the Legislative Board meeting is TODAY.

From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) [<mailto:elena@judgewatch.org>]
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Subject: Superseding Letter: Informing the Suffolk County Legislature & Suffolk County Voters -- Tomorrow's Legislative Board Meeting -- Resolution #1576-2017 -- Freezing Salaries of Suffolk Co. Elected Officials

Please supersede yesterday's letter with the attached letter. It makes non-substantive corrections, except for additions to page 4, including by two footnotes. It is already posted on CJA's website, here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/suffolk-da.htm>.

Apologies for any inconvenience.

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Attached is the Center for Judicial Accountability's letter of today's date. As yet, I have been unsuccessful in obtaining e-mail addresses for D.A. Candidate Sini and for Sheriff Candidate Zacaress.

The letter is posted on CJA's website, www.judgewatch.org, accessible via the prominent homepage link: "OUTING CORRUPT & COLLUSIVE INCUMBENTS & Ending their Road to Re-Election & Higher Office in 2017, 2018, & Beyond – WITH EVIDENCE".

Here's the direct link to the menu page for the 2017 elections: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017-ending-the-road.htm>

I am available to answer questions, etc.

Thank you.

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