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Attachments: 8-10-17-open-ltr.pdf

TO: Syracuse Mayor Stephanie Miner/Potential Candidate for New York State Governor –

As your second term as Syracuse mayor ends on Sunday – and it may be difficult to reach you afterward – I called up your mayor's office yesterday morning in the hope of speaking with you about the political decision you are reportedly making as to whether to run for governor or congress in 2018. I spoke with your secretary, Maria Moro, stating that I had valuable information to assist you in making that decision. I told her that you can EASILY WIN a Democratic primary against incumbent Governor Andrew Cuomo AND an election contest against such Republican gubernatorial candidates as incumbent Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb, who has already announced, and incumbent Senate Deputy Majority Leader John DeFrancisco, who has been contemplating a run.

No doubt, based on my conversation with Ms. Moro, she has told you that Cuomo, Kolb, and DeFrancisco are defendants in a citizen-taxpayer action, sued for corruption, involving the \$160 billion slush-fund state budget and has already furnished you with a print-out of my below September 20, 2017 e-mail to possible Republican candidate Harry Wilson, which she viewed from CJA's website, www.judgewatch.org, as we spoke – and which I suggested she print out for you and which she said she would.

In the interest of economy, I will not repeat what the below e-mail sets forth – and what its above attached August 10, 2017 OPEN LETTER particularizes about CJA's citizen-taxpayer action and its politically-explosive electoral significance. Suffice to emphasize that your gubernatorial win will NOT require any huge campaign war chest – or, for that matter, significant campaign spending. Indeed, it will require nothing more than that you call a press conference and otherwise use the "bully pulpit" that will be yours as a gubernatorial candidate to **"blow the whistle" LOUD and CLEAR on what the verified pleadings and litigation record in the citizen-taxpayer action DOCUMENTARILY establish – and which, as an attorney, you well know how to read** – namely that defendants Cuomo, Kolb, and DeFrancisco – and a large swathe of other defendants up for re-election in 2018 – MUST be indicted for public corruption, including "grand larceny of the public fisc" with respect to the statutorily-violative, fraudulent, and unconstitutional judicial and district attorney salary increases that, since April 1, 2012, have stolen from New York taxpayers approximately \$300 million – and which is currently jumping by more than \$60 million yearly. Once you do so, you will NOT only earn the gratitude and votes from New Yorkers of all political stripes, but you will demonstrate how actually SIMPLE it is to "drain the swamp" and END the "culture of corruption" that has plagued the state government. All it takes is HONESTY and confronting EVIDENCE, without which NO candidate or incumbent is fit for ANY office of public trust.

Suffice to recommend, as background, that you watch three **VIDEOS** and examine relevant EVIDENCE pertaining thereto:

- (1) **the VIDEO of my February 6, 2013 testimony before then Senate Finance Committee Chair DeFrancisco at the Legislature's budget hearing on "public protection"** – as the EVIDENCE I there handed-up is itself sufficient for founding the mandated indictments – and such is *only a fraction* of the mountain of EVIDENCE embodied by the citizen-taxpayer action. CJA's webpage posting both the VIDEO of the Legislature's February 6, 2013 budget hearing and the EVIDENCE I handed up is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/feb-6-2013-testimony-evidence.htm>;

- (2) the VIDEO of my November 29, 2012 public exchange with Assembly Minority Leader Kolb at a policy forum on “A New New York: The Constitutional Dimension” at the Rockefeller Institute of Government – and my December 31, 2012 letter to him and then Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver pertaining thereto and to the same EVIDENCE as I would hand up to Senate Finance Committee Chairman DeFrancisco on February 6, 2013. CJA’s webpage containing both that VIDEO and the letter is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/NYS-legislature-rules-leadership.htm>;
- (3) the VIDEO of my September 17, 2013 testimony at the first public hearing of Governor Cuomo’s sham Commission to Investigate Public Corruption, before its three chairs including its lead chair, Onondaga County District Attorney William Fitzpatrick and its members including Onondaga County Executive Joannie Mahoney – and the EVIDENCE I furnished in support of my testimony – this including the SAME evidence as I had handed up to Senate Finance Committee Chair DeFrancisco at the Legislature’s February 6, 2013 budget hearing and my corruption complaints based thereon, including my April 15, 2013 corruption complaint to U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara and my July 19, 2013 corruption complaint to Albany County District Attorney P. David Soares: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/commission-to-investigate-public-corruption/people-evidence/sassower-elena.htm>, as well as such further correspondence with Governor Cuomo as my August 21, 2013 letter to him entitled “RE: Achieving BOTH a Properly Functioning Legislature & the Public Trust Act (Program Bill #3) -- the *Sine Qua Non* for 'Government Working'”.

For your convenience, I have created a webpage on CJA’s website for your hoped-for gubernatorial candidacy, posting all the above VIDEO links and referred-to EVIDENCE, as well as links to the **two VIDEOS of my testimony at the Legislature’s January 30, 2017 and January 31, 2017 budget hearings**, at which I testified, at length, about the unfolding citizen-taxpayer action – and plaintiffs’ entitlement to SUMMARY JUDGMENT on each of its ten causes of action. This newly-created webpage is accessible from the homepage link: “OUTING CORRUPT & COLLUSIVE INCUMBENTS & Ending their Road to Re-Election & Higher Office in 2017, 2018, & Beyond – WITH EVIDENCE”, *via* the menu item “TESTING THE 2018 CHALLENGERS” – the same location as I showed Ms. Moro for the webpage I had created for possible Republican contender Wilson. The direct link is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/challengers/stephanie-miner.htm>

As I stated to Ms. Moro, I invite you to call me, anytime – in the evenings, on the weekends -- as I would welcome your questions and the opportunity to furnish you with further useful information, of which I have first-hand knowledge and direct experience, as, for example, how Assembly Minority Leader Kolb responded on March 29, 2017, when I chanced to run into him at the Legislative Office Building and reminded him of our exchange nearly five years earlier at the Rockefeller Institute of Government – and recounted my many, many requests in the years since to get a meeting with him and responses to my correspondence, all unsuccessful – and asked him about my most recent correspondence, my February 6, 2017 letter: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2017-legislature/2-6-17-ltr-to-leadership.htm>, to which there had been no response from him or from anyone else – and whose consequence, *inter alia*, was the legislative fraud and constitutional abomination particularized by plaintiffs’ March 29, 2017 verified supplemental complaint in the citizen-taxpayer action, as to which I was in Albany seeking a preliminary injunction, with TRO, with respect to 10 budget bills comprising the executive budget: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/budget/citizen-taxpayer-action/2nd/9-2-16-osc-complaint/3-29-17-osc.htm>.

I would consider it a privilege to assist you, to the max, as you have already demonstrated, as Syracuse mayor, that **you are a courageous leader, not afraid to “buck the system” when doing so is in the public interest.** That is precisely the kind of governor New York so desperately needs.

Thank you.

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TO: Harry Wilson/Potential Candidate for New York State Governor –

This follows up my phone conversation earlier this afternoon with your assistant, Elena Milano, thanking you for your civic activism and willingness to undertake a public contest to be New York's next governor, facing off, most probably, against incumbent Governor Andrew Cuomo. We need someone like you, with the independence, born of substantial financial means, to clean up the boundless corruption that pervades all three branches of New York State government, in which BOTH parties – Democratic and Republican – are utterly collusive and whose gushing source and motivator is the 160-plus billion-dollar slush-fund New York State budget.

News reports indicate that you are willing to devote substantial amounts of your own money to fund your gubernatorial campaign. That is not necessary. All you need to catapult yourself as a candidate – indeed, a WINNING candidate – and galvanize support from voters of all political parties -- is to use the bully-pulpit that is your name recognition, most importantly, as the formidable 2010 Republican candidate against incumbent Democratic state comptroller Thomas DiNapoli, to expose the “grand larceny of the public fisc” in which Governor Cuomo, Comptroller DiNapoli, and their fellow Democratic and Republican public officers at the highest levels of New York's government have been engaged. This is EASY to do as they are ALL defendants in an unfolding citizen-taxpayer action whose ten causes of action particularize their FLAGRANT violations of the New York State Constitution, statutory law, caselaw, and legislative rules with respect to the legislative budget, the judiciary budget, and the executive budget. This includes the UNCONSTITUTIONALITY of Governor Cuomo's behind-closed-doors, “three-men-in-a-room” budget deal-making – the first lawsuit to ever challenge such perversion of our representative democracy.

The full record of the citizen-taxpayer action, which our non-partisan, non-profit citizens' organization, Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA), brought, in the public interest, on behalf of the People of the State of New York, is posted on our website, www.judgewatch.org, accessible *via* the prominent homepage link: “**CJA's Citizen-Taxpayer Actions to END NYS' Corrupt Budget 'Process' and Unconstitutional 'Three Men in a Room' Governance**”. I showed the link to your assistant Elena, as likewise, the link entitled “**OUTING CORRUPT & COLLUSIVE INCUMBENTS & Ending their Road to Re-Election & Higher Office in 2017, 2018, & Beyond – WITH EVIDENCE**”.

The EVIDENCE that brings down incumbent Governor Cuomo, incumbent Comptroller DiNapoli, incumbent Attorney General Schneiderman, and ALL incumbent Senators and Assembly members running for re-election next year – and does so in one fell swoop -- is CJA's citizen-taxpayer action, suing them for corruption. This, of course, includes the state legislators whose names have surfaced, with yours, as possible Republican contenders for governor – Senate Deputy Majority Leader John DiFrancisco and Assembly Minority Leader Brian Kolb – whose corruption, in office, I can attest-to from many, many years of direct interaction with each, including as reflected in a mountain of documentary PROOF, which I can readily furnish, over and beyond what is embodied in the citizen-taxpayer record.

As another name that has bobbed up as a possible Republican contender against Governor Cuomo is Westchester County Executive Rob Astorino, who lost to Governor Cuomo in 2014 and now facing a substantial re-election challenge as county executive from Senator George Latimer, I recommend that you begin your reading of the odyssey that is CJA's citizen-taxpayer action by the summary of it presented by my attached August 10, 2017 OPEN LETTER to Reform Party Chair Curtis Sliwa about Senator Latimer's record, in office. As you can see from the below e-mail, it was transmitted to the Reform Party and to New York's seven other recognized political parties – the Republican Party, among them – and also sent to County Executive Astorino. All the substantiating proof to the August 10th OPEN LETTER, including my January 2014 correspondence to County Executive Astorino, which could have WON him the governor's race against

Cuomo in the November 2014 elections– and, for the Republican ticket, an electoral sweep – is posted on CJA’s webpage for the OPEN LETTER. The direct link is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2017/8-10-17-open-ltr.htm>.

I am available to assist you – and such lawyers and constitutional scholars as you assign to reviewing the citizen-taxpayer record, on your behalf – including by furnishing “hard copies” to facilitate review. As I am only a couple of blocks from your White Plains office, it would be especially easy for me to meet with you – and I would be most pleased to do so and to discuss the extraordinary opportunity you have to “fix the broken organization” that is New York State.

With appreciation and patriotism,

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Subject: OPEN LETTER: The NYS Reform Part of Curtis Sliwa MUST Rescind its Endorsement of, & Party Line to, Senator Geo. Latimer for Westchester Co. Executive & the Other Parties Must Follow Suit -- Unless They Deem Corruption in Office a Qualification

Attached is the Center for Judicial Accountability’s OPEN LETTER of today’s date entitled “**The NYS Reform Party of Curtis Sliwa MUST Rescind its Endorsement of, & Party Line to, Senator George Latimer for Westchester County Executive & the Other Parties Must Follow Suit – Unless they Deem Corruption in Office a Qualification**”, herewith sent to ALL eight recognized political parties and to the three candidates seeking election/re-election to the office of Westchester County Executive: Messrs. Latimer, Astorino, and Jenkins.

The OPEN LETTER is already posted on CJA’s website, www.judgewatch.org, accessible *via* the prominent link “**OUTING CORRUPT & COLLUSIVE INCUMBENTS & Ending their Road to Re-Election & Higher Office in 2017, 2018, & Beyond – WITH EVIDENCE**”. The direct link to the webpage for the letter, which also furnishes THE EVIDENCE on which it is based, is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/ending-the-road-latimer.htm>.

I am available to answer questions, under oath, and to assist you to the max, toward what should be our common goal of open, honest, fiscally-responsible, responsive, and accountable government, such as we do NOT remotely have on the state level... You can change that!

Thank you.

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