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**Subject:** GOOD NEWS for Onondaga County state legislative candidates! You have an open-&-  
shut public corruption issue that will WIN you election -- & demonstrate your fitness for  
public service  
**Attachments:** onondaga-6-29-20-complaint-fitzpatrick.pdf; onondaga-signature-6-29-20.pdf;  
onondaga-7-31-20-da-foil.pdf

### TO: NON-INCUMBENT CANDIDATES FOR ONONDAGA COUNTY STATE SENATE & ASSEMBLY SEATS

SD-50: John Mannion (D, WF); Angi Renna (R, C, I)  
SD-53: Sam Rodgers (R, C, I, SAM); \*Russell Penner (L)

AD-120: Gail Tosh (D)  
AD-126: Dia Carabajal (D, WF); John Lemondes (R, C, I)  
AD-127: Mark Venesky (C, WF, I)  
AD-128: Stephanie Jackson (R, C, L)  
AD-129: Edward Weber (R, C)

**This is to alert you to GOOD NEWS.** You can EASILY win election to the state legislative seats you seek – and without expenditure of money. All it requires is using the “bully-pulpit” of your candidacy to whistle-blow about the above-attached FULLY-DOCUMENTED public corruption/grand jury complaint against Onondaga County’s seven state legislators – five running for re-election against you – which Onondaga County District Attorney Fitzpatrick has been “sitting on”. The complaint establishes, with EVIDENCE, that the incumbent state legislators must be indicted on EVIDENCE so *prima facie* and open-and-shut as to assure convictions.

The Post-Standard and other Onondaga County “local journalism” have known about the complaint for some time. Illustrative is the below September 16<sup>th</sup> e-mail, to which the legislative incumbents and D.A. Fitzpatrick were cc’d so that they could be ready for press inquiries. Individually and collectively, if you stand up for honest, accountable government and make the complaint your campaign issue, you will win – easily. Demand that the complained-against legislative incumbents respond to the complaint, that D.A. Fitzpatrick explain why he has not presented it to an Onondaga County grand jury, and that the press do its part to investigate and report.

I am available to answer your questions – and invite you to call me so that I can furnish you with specifics addressed to the individual incumbents against whom you are running.

Needless to say, voters are entitled to know from you what salary you expect to be paid, if you were to be elected to the Legislature – and whether you will commit to ensuring: (1) public findings of fact and conclusions of law with respect to the complaint; (2) prosecution of all culpable public officers and their conspirators; and (3) “claw-backs” to recover the approximately half-a-billion dollars in fraudulent salary increases, already paid out. Please advise.

Finally, I ask your help in forwarding this e-mail to Candidate Penner whose above-listed name is preceded by an asterisk (\*), as I have no e-mail address for him. Seemingly, he has no campaign website or facebook page.

As the Post-Standard will doubtless be ramping up election reporting in the coming weeks – and interviewing you, including for purposes of candidate endorsements – I am cc’ing it and other local Onondaga County press on this e-mail.

Thank you.

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**Subject:** Onondaga County Elections 2020 -- Informing Voters with EVIDENCE: public corruption/grand jury complaint vs Onondaga County's 7 state legislators -- 5 seeking re-election -- which Onondaga County D.A. Fitzpatrick is "sitting on"

**TO:** Post Standard  
Syracuse New Times  
Baldwinsville Messenger

Eagle Bulletin  
Eagle Observer  
Eagle Star-Review  
Skaneateles Press

Onondaga County's seven state legislators – including now Supreme Court Justice Antonacci – are the subjects of a **fully-documented** public corruption/grand jury complaint, filed with Onondaga County District Attorney Fitzpatrick, who has been “sitting on” it. The complaint involves the “force of law” commission/committee scheme that gave all eight of them pay raises – and a legislature not operating at a remotely constitutional level.

The June 29, 2020 complaint, by the Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA), is above-attached – and below are the e-mails transmitting it and the above-attached July 31, 2020 FOIL request to D.A. Fitzpatrick. CJA's substantiating evidentiary webpage for the complaint is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2020-legislative/grand-juries.htm>.

As stated by the complaint, Onondaga County voters are entitled to know that their state legislators cannot be re-elected because they must be indicted for larceny and other corruption on EVIDENCE so DISPOSITIVE as to assure convictions. So, too, retiring state legislators, pocketing pensions based on the salary increases.

To facilitate your inquiries of the complained-against state legislators and D.A. Fitzpatrick, I am cc'ing them on this e-mail. What, if anything, do they deny or dispute. Let them start where the complaint starts: my July 16, 2019 e-mail to then Assembly Ways & Means Committee Ranking Member Barclay and the Legislature's 14 other stipend-receiving leaders requesting that they forward the e-mail to the 198 other state legislators, with its attached July 15, 2019 written NOTICE and substantiating analysis establishing that the December 10, 2018 Report of the Committee on Legislative and Executive Compensation – raising their legislative salaries from \$79,500 to \$110,000 – is “a fraud on the People of the State of New York – and a larceny of their tax dollars’, violating a succession of penal laws, and that their duty was to void it, to return the pay-raise monies they had already received, and to initiate criminal prosecutions of the Committee's four members and abetting attorneys.” The analysis is 46 pages, excluding exhibits. Will they furnish you with their findings of fact and conclusions of law? If not, I'm sure ordinary Onondaga County citizens would be able to help you with what is obvious. Just accompany your story with links to the complaint and the evidentiary webpage so that they can see for themselves the open-and-shut, *prima facie* EVIDENCE that D.A. Fitzpatrick has been withholding from an Onondaga County grand jury to maintain his own fraudulently-boosted D.A. salary, paid by Onondaga County taxpayers.

I am available to answer your questions and assist you, to the max -- on a story not only upending Onondaga County's seven state legislative races, but, additionally, ALL New York's other state legislative races and its 15 D.A. races – and **that's for starters**.

Thank you.

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**Subject: Reasonable questions arising from your nonfeasance: June 29, 2020 public corruption complaint in support of grand jury inquiry, pursuant to Article I, §6 of the NYS Constitution, of Onondaga County state legislators...**

**TO: Onondaga County District Attorney William Fitzpatrick**

I have received no acknowledgment or other response to my above-attached June 29, 2020 public corruption/grand jury complaint against Onondaga County state legislators, which I sent you by the below e-mail, with a direct link to the substantiating evidentiary webpage: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2020-legislative/grand-juries.htm>.

As the complaint presents evidence so *prima facie* and open-and-shut as to leave no doubt that a grand jury would speedily indict – and a trial jury speedily convict – the complained-against state legislators and their accomplices, your nonfeasance raises reasonable questions as to your performance with respect to *other* public corruption complaints filed by *other* members of the public. To help answer these questions, I have today filed a FOIL/information request with your FOIL officer, Donna Hamilton – to which you are cc'd. It is attached.

Thank you.

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**Subject: CORRUPTION COMPLAINT in support of grand jury inquiry, pursuant to Article I, §6 of the NYS Constitution, of Onondaga County state legislators for "wilful misconduct in office", including larceny & fraud...**

**TO: Onondaga County District Attorney William Fitzpatrick**

Attached is my above-entitled corruption/grand jury complaint of today's date addressed to you – with a separate scanned signature page. It is a re-dating of my June 26<sup>th</sup> complaint to you, which, as reflected by the below, I had sent to an erroneous e-mail address.

The link for CJA's "Grand Juries" webpage for the complaint, hyperlinking, linking, and posting all referred-to evidence, is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2020-legislative/grand-juries.htm>.

Should you require an original signed complaint, please notify me – and I will send it, immediately.

Thank you.

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