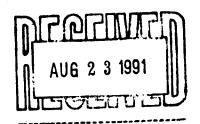
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> In the Matter of the Application of Castracan Re: v. Colavita, et. al. (Albany County) Index No. 6056/90 (3rd Dept. Appeal No. 62134)

Dear Sir:

I represent Respondent Hon. Francis A. Nicolai. I support the motion of Co-Respondent Board of Elections seeking to dismiss the Notice of Appeal filed by Petitioner-Appellants and seeking sanctions and costs against Petitioner-Appellants.

I respectfully join in and adopt the arguments which they set forth in their affirmation and which are set forth in the affirmations of other Co-Respondents.

As the record is already overburdened, I respectfully request that you accept this letter in lieu of more formal papers.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Very truly yours,

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