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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) [elena@judgewidth.org]
Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2012 11:03 PM
To: 'Andrew Meier'
Subject: Thank you -- RE: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. v. Cuomo, Sup Ct BX Cty 302951/2012
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for your return call earlier today, which helped pass the time on the long drive up to Albany. Thank you, too, for waiving service upon the Attorney General. All other parties have been personally served, as directed by Justice Brigantte-Hughes' order to show cause. Attached herewith is our coverletter accompanying the service – and the signed admissions of service, which will be filed with the Court on the April 16th return date.

Just as independent counsel was appointed to represent the Governor, Comptroller, Senate, Assembly, and the State in some of the judges' judicial compensation lawsuits, so, too, must independent counsel be here appointed to represent the defendants. The Attorney General is a party, disqualified for interest – and, in any event, his duty, pursuant to Executive Law 63.1, is to represent plaintiffs Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. and myself, here acting as private attorneys general to uphold what is the Attorney General's duty, *to wit*, the “interests of the state”. Such would be evident from the Attorney General's findings of fact and conclusions of law with respect to CJA's October 27, 2011 Opposition Report, as likewise from the findings of fact and conclusions of law of his would-be clients.

As I stated to your predecessor, Assistant Attorney General Roderick Arz, we demand that these findings of fact and conclusions of law be disgorged so that the Court can properly evaluate the threshold issue of the Attorney General's representation.

Thank you.

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Good afternoon, pursuant to our conversation of earlier today, please find my contact information below. Assuming that service is perfected and formal representation is requested, I will be representing all defendants in the above-captioned action going forward.

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BY HAND

April 5, 2012

TO: ANDREW M. CUOMO, in his official capacity as Governor of the State of New York,
ERIC T. SCHNEIDERMAN, in his official capacity as Attorney General of the State of New York,
THOMAS DiNAPOLI, in his official capacity as Comptroller of the State of New York,
DEAN SKELOS, in his official capacity as Temporary President of the New York State Senate,
THE NEW YORK STATE SENATE,
SHELDON SILVER, in his official capacity as Speaker of the New York State Assembly,
THE NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY,
JONATHAN LIPPMAN, in his official capacity as Chief Judge of the State of New York,
the UNIFIED COURT SYSTEM,
THE STATE OF NEW YORK,

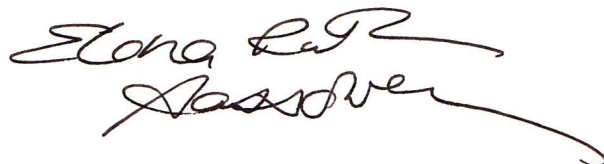
FROM: Elena Ruth Sassower, Director
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RE: ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR A STAY – & ALL UNDERLYING PAPERS
ON WHICH IT IS BASED: VERIFIED COMPLAINT WITH EXHIBITS
ANNEXED AND FREE-STANDING – Bronx Supreme Court #302951-12

Service is hereby made of the above. In view of the serious and substantial nature of this lawsuit, detailing and documenting the collusion of New York State's highest constitutional officers and three branches of government against the People of New York – and because Attorney General Schneiderman is a party, disqualified for interest – please have these papers reviewed by independent counsel, whose name we hereby request.

Thank you.

Enclosures



Denise Gagnon, Legislative Asst.
Gov. Counsel's office
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Andrew Klein
1:30 4/5/12