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TO: Jenn Weintraub/Legislative Fellow – Deputy Senate Majority Leader Michael Gianaris, Esq.

I understand from Christina that you have taken over as legislative director, on an interim basis, for Adam Barth – to whom I sent the below e-mail, which came back as undeliverable because he has left the Senator's employ and is working now for a non-profit.

Christina confirmed receipt of the below e-mail, which I had also sent directly to the Senator's e-mail address. I am nonetheless sending the e-mail to you so that you can assist in ensuring that it gets the attention it deserves, beginning with my request that it be forwarded to ALL Senate and Assembly members.

Thank you.

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Attached is the Center for Judicial Accountability's letter of today's date, on the above topic, to Governor Cuomo, the original of which is being mailed to him by priority mail. All others are indicated recipients.

To those recipients for whom I have no direct e-mail – the Lieutenant Governor, Comptroller, the Court of Appeals Judges, in addition to the Governor – I request their FOIL/records access officers & their other staff assist in forwarding this e-mail to them. I additionally request that the Legislative Leaders to whom this e-mail is being sent, who are receiving stipends for their “significantly more work” and “additional duties” they are expected to perform, forward this e-mail to ALL Senate and Assembly members so that – like their Legislative Leaders – they can be held accountable, criminally and electorally, for the larcenous pay raises of which they are benefitting.

CJA's webpage for the attached letter, from which its referred-to evidence is posted and accessible, is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2020-legislative/3-3-20-ltr-to-gov.htm>.

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