From: Senate Foil <foil@nysenate.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 16, 2023 4:37 PM

To: elena@judgewatch.org

Subject: RE: Legislative Oversight Hearings of the Judiciary's Administration of its

Attorney for the Child Program -- including records thereof pursuant to FOIL

Attachments:rules and regulations relating to public inspection and copying of legislative records

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Dear Ms. Sassower,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your email dated February 13, 2023 pursuant to the Freedom of Information Law.

You are requesting, "The Judiciary's FY2023-24 budget (at pp. xi, 110-115) seeks to increase the state-paid compensation of attorneys for children. Governor Hochul has embodied this as Part P of so-called "public protection and general government" Article VII legislation, which the Legislature has converted into Budget Bill #S.4005/A.3005, a non-appropriation bill. Kindly advise when, if ever, the Assembly Committee on Children and Families, the Senate Judiciary Committee, the Assembly Judiciary Committee – or any other legislative committee – has held oversight hearings of the Judiciary's administration of its attorney for the child program and, in particular, its handling of complaints against appointed AFCs....."

Please be advised, The New York State Senate's Judiciary Committee Meeting can be found on the Senate's public website for review. https://www.nysenate.gov/committees/judiciary

I have attached a copy of the Senate's Rules and Regulations Relating to the Public Inspection and Copying of Legislative Records for your information.

Sincerely,

Alejandra N. Paulino, Esq. Secretary of the Senate

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) < elena@judgewatch.org>

Sent: Monday, February 13, 2023 3:09 PM

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TO: Assembly Committee on Children and Families

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By copy of this e-mail to the Assembly, Senate, and Judiciary's records access officers, I request available records, such as transcripts or videos of such legislative oversight hearings, if any, and reports thereon, if any, pursuant to FOIL [Public Officers Law Article VI, Senate Rule XIV, Assembly Rule VIII, and Chief Administrator's Rules Part 124].

Thank you.

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