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Sent: Thursday, January 18, 2018 3:59 PM
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Subject: Governor Cuomo, the Commission on Judicial Compensation, & Bill Mulrow's chairmanship of Cuomo's 2018 re-election campaign, etc...
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TO: Rob Galbraith/LittleSis.org – Public Accountability Initiative

Thanks, Rob, for your prompt call back – and for giving me the opportunity to pitch to you a major political story to expose the big money and deal-making that has led up to this year's non-competitive race for New York's governor, where "Republicans have all but conceded the 2018 gubernatorial race after businessman Harry Wilson dropped out earlier this month" ("*Real estate throws tons of cash at the Cuomo campaign, again*", The Real Deal (Will Parker): <https://therealdeal.com/2018/01/17/real-estate-throws-tons-of-cash-at-the-cuomo-campaign-again/>

Based on your superb May 4, 2017 article "*Blackstone Group: Cuomo & Trump's Wall Street Nexus*": <https://news.littlesis.org/2017/05/04/blackstone-group-cuomo-trumps-wall-street-nexus/> about Mulrow and identifying his appointment to the Special Commission on Judicial Compensation – which you included in a graphic – I would love to give you the lead.

Below is what I sent yesterday to The New York Times & Daily News – which I showed you from our website, www.judgewatch.org, via the webpage relating to Harry Wilson: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/challengers/harry-wilson.htm>. The starting point is the Commission on Judicial Compensation, to which Cuomo appointed Mulrow – who now heads Cuomo's 2018 re-election campaign. Mulrow's corruption on the Commission, together with his fellow six commissioners, is chronicled by CJA's October 27, 2011 Opposition Report, addressed to Cuomo. Rather than taking steps to void the Commission's August 29, 2011 Report recommending 27% pay raises – and referring the Commissioners for prosecution -- Cuomo allowed its pay raise recommendations to take effect – and rewarded his appointees with further appointments. The cost of the pay raises, to date, is about \$300 million, stolen from taxpayers – a figure that is currently increasing by about \$60 million each year – with another \$10 million or so to be tacked on to that yearly figure beginning April 1, 2018.

Cuomo cannot be re-elected because he and his co-conspirators, Mulrow among them, must be indicted for their "grand larceny of the public fisc". A story needs to be written about it – sooner, rather than later – so that this year's gubernatorial and other elections may yet become competitive.

By the way, here's the link to the July 11, 2013 corruption complaint that I filed against Mulrow and his fellow members of the Commission on Judicial Compensation with the Cuomo-appointed NYS Inspector General: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/ny-inspector-general.htm>.

I have no doubt that you are just the one to connect the dots on this story. Let me know if you want the lead – and I will hold off on pursuing other press. Otherwise, won't you help in locating a muckraking journalist who would be able to take it on?

Many thanks,

Elena Sassower, Director
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