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**Subject:** The "cesspool" is far bigger than has yet been reported -- and brings down Cuomo, DiNapoli, Flanagan, Heastie, Senate and Assembly members, rendering their 2018 electoral races ALL competitive  
**Attachments:** 10-20-17-email-to-gleason.pdf

### TO: Joe Patrice/Above the Law

Your May 11<sup>th</sup> Above the Law article "[Somehow Michael Cohen And Donald Trump Are Now Involved In The Eric Schneiderman Case](#)" bears the subtitle: "Every cesspool of a New York law story comes together in this one". Actually, the cesspool is far larger than has yet been reported – because, thus far, the reporting has not been about Schneiderman's "professional conduct or the operations of the office" – a fact Schneiderman pointed out in resigning, quoted by your May 7<sup>th</sup> article "[New York Attorney General Resigns Amid Accusations of Physically Abusing Women](#)".

I am the director and co-founder of a non-partisan, non-profit citizens' organization, Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) – and have years of direct, first-hand experience with Schneiderman, who I have sued, since March 2012, for corruption, in office, pertaining to statutorily-violative, fraudulent, and unconstitutional commission-based judicial and district attorney pay raises, and, since March 2014, pertaining to the judiciary budget, the legislative budget, and, by March 2016, the whole of the executive budget. I have also filed a succession of corruption and ethics complaints against Schneiderman that criminal and disciplinary authorities have been "sitting on" since 2013. This includes my April 15, 2013 corruption complaint to former U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara and my July 19, 2013 corruption complaint to Albany County District Attorney P. David Soares – the most recent supplementing of which was on March 6, 2018 and pertained to both Soares' testimony and mine at the Legislature's January 30, 2018 "public protection" budget hearing.

Would you be willing to examine Schneiderman's "professional conduct [and] the operations of [his AG's] office"? By contrast to the handful of women Schneiderman abused in personal relationships and encounters, what he did, as attorney general, directly injured ALL the People of the State of New York, covering up systemic governmental corruption involving Governor Cuomo, the Legislature, Comptroller DiNapoli, the Judiciary – which was his duty to investigate and prosecute. That is why the impact of your story will upend the 2018 races for governor, comptroller and ALL legislative seats – in addition to the attorney general's race.

To assist you, here's the link to the webpage I created months ago pertaining to Schneiderman's 2018 re-election run, aggregating the lawsuits, complaints, and illustrative correspondence with him: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2018/schneiderman.htm>. This includes my fully-documented September 16, 2017 attorney misconduct complaint against Schneiderman and his managerial and supervisory attorneys and underling litigators, filed with the Attorney Grievance Committees for the First and Third Judicial Departments. For your convenience, the direct link to the record of the complaint is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/budget/citizen-taxpayer-action/complaints-notice/9-16-17-attorney-disciplinary-complaint.htm> -- and the direct link to the VIDEO of my testimony about the complaint at the Legislature's January 30, 2018 budget hearing, handing up a copy and the record thereon, is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2018-legislature/jan-30-2018-hearing.htm>.

As you will readily discover from these links, investigating and reporting on the open-and-shut, *prima facie* EVIDENCE of Schneiderman's corruption, as attorney general, will drain New York's cesspool of corruption, not only requiring his indictment, but the indictments of Governor Cuomo, Comptroller DiNapoli, legislators, and judges, high and low – all of

whom will be convicted, based on the EVIDENCE – with enactment far-reaching, non-partisan, good-government reforms that could easily have been enacted, long ago, but for our corrupt incumbent public officers.

I look forward to your enthusiastic response – and, indeed, to showing you what Michael Cohen and Donald Trump had reason to know about the foregoing, as of January 2014, when Trump was posturing – and being touted as – a possible Republican candidate for governor against Cuomo – and thereafter.

Finally, inasmuch as your May 11<sup>th</sup> article is based on, and furnishes a copy of, Peter Gleason’s letter to U.S. District Court Judge Kimba Woods, in which he writes:

“By way of history, my law office has an open door policy for any individual who has been victimized by entities that because of their status and power are able to destroy lives with impunity”,

I am cc’ing Mr. Gleason – to whom I reached out during his brief October 2017 electoral run against Manhattan District Attorney Vance, offering assistance, without response from him. I would hope to also hear enthusiastically from him so that we might work together in advancing our shared anti-corruption goals.

Thank you.

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