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endorsements in the state Senate & Assembly races -- & exposing the "fake

news"/election-rigging journalism of Newsday

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Did you read <u>LIHERALD.COM</u>'s September 24th editorial "<u>A 2020 Election Survival Guide</u>" about the "extensive research" and "extended interview(s)" it will be conducting of candidates for Nassau County's state Senate and Assembly seats – and that it will be publishing written "Q & A" pieces of the candidates, leading up to editorial endorsements. appearing on October 22nd. Presumably, you, too, will be ramping up your election reporting in the coming weeks and possibly

also making editorial endorsements. In any event, LIHERALD.COM's reporting and editorializing pertaining to state Senate and Assembly races – like that of <u>Newsday</u> – will doubtless influence your own.

Therefore, I am furnishing you with the SAME message as I sent yesterday to LIHERALD.COM Executive Editor Scott Brinton, Publisher Stuart Richner, and the 12 listed editors of its 18 publications, via the contact feature of its website – enhanced only by hyperlinking and the above-attached two public corruption/grand jury complaints against Long Island's 34 state legislators, filed with Nassau County District Attorney Madeline Singas and Suffolk County District Attorney Timothy Sini. The substantiating evidentiary webpage for the complaints entitled "Invoking 'The power of grand juries to inquire into the wilful misconduct in office of public officers, and to find indictments...', pursuant to Article I, §6 of the New York State Constitution" is here. The message read:

"Kudos on your '2020 Election Survival Guide', published on September 24, 2020, in which you promised reporting and editorial endorsements based on 'extensive research', interviews, and questioning of candidates, including published 'Q & A' -- specifying state Senate and Assembly races.

Nassau County has 16 state Senate and Assembly races — with 14 incumbents running for re-election. Suffolk County has 18 state Senate and Assembly races — with 14 incumbents running for re-election or higher office. ALL must be indicted — and will be convicted — of fraud, larceny, and other corruption involving their \$30,500 'force of law' committee-based legislative pay raises and the Legislature's OWN budget — and this is established by FULLY-DOCUMENTED public corruption/grand jury complaints against them that Nassau County D.A. Singas and Suffolk County D.A. Sini have been 'sitting on'.

The complaints are posted on the website of the non-partisan, non-profit citizens' organization Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA), of which I am director. They can be accessed -- together with the open-and-shut, *prima facie* EVIDENCE substantiating them -- from the prominent center link on our homepage, www.judgewatch.org, entitled 'ELECTIONS 2020 -- Taking Out Corrupt & Collusive Legislative Incumbents & Conspiring D.A.s -- All Beneficiaries of Statutorily-Violative, Fraudulent, Unconstitutional Pay Raises & Other Larcenies of Taxpayer Monies.'

I am eager to answer your questions and provide you with further information and EVIDENCE — including my e-mails to Long Island's legislative incumbents, furnishing them with the complaints and notice that they should expect press questioning.

Is there anything in the complaints they deny or dispute? Your asking them that simple question — consistent with your '2020 Election Survival Guide' — whether by your interviews or written 'Q & A' will lead you to an explosive election story — upending each and every one of Long Island's 34 state legislative races — and, additionally, ALL New York's other state legislative races and its 15 D.A. races — and that's for starters.

Thank you.
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I am just as eager to answer your questions and to assist you in providing accurate, electorally-relevant information — your foremost constitutional responsibility. Also, Newsday, to whose pertinent editors and reporters I sent the above-attached two public corruption/grand jury complaints by a September 5th e-mail, asking, at the outset, in bold lettering: "What election coverage are you giving to the 32 state Senate and Assembly races in Nassau and Suffolk Counties, beginning with the salaries to be paid to their winners? Is the salary \$110,000 – or \$79,500?". 2-1/2 weeks later, in the complete absence of response, I sent Newsday two more e-mails, a September 22nd e-mail pertaining to Nassau County and a September 22nd e-mail pertaining to Suffolk County – now expanding the Newsday recipients to include its publisher – and cc'ing all Long Island's state legislative incumbents and D.A. Singas and D.A. Sini so that they would be ready for press questioning. Still, there has been no response from Newsday. Consequently, and because Newsday now seeks to expand its long pre-eminent position on Long Island to eliminate you – as, for example by the message from Owner/Publisher Patrick Dolan on Newsday's "About Us" webpage: "You will no longer have to visit a dozen websites to find what you need. Newsday will be your one source to navigate life on Long Island."—I am cc'ing Mr. Dolan and the other Newsday recipients on this e-mail.

Do you or, more importantly, do your subscribers and readers know that Newsday does NOT do "tough impartial reporting" – as its "About Us" webpage purports – and that its highly regarded editorials and political endorsements have, for years, knowingly concealed and falsified what has been going on in Albany and its ramifications locally. Ironically, three days before my September 5th e-mail, Newsday celebrated its 80th anniversary with a September 2nd article by Publisher Dolan, touting Newsday's "hundreds of acclaimed journalists and news professionals who are solely focused on you as a Long Islander" and asserting: "Why do you need Newsday? Because without it you won't get the smart, well-documented, precision reporting you need to really understand what's going on around you. It's reporting you can trust. It shines an unblinking light in corners where powerful people don't want you to see..."

Shouldn't you be "pushing back" with an expose as to why there has been NO investigative journalism – or even report – by Newsday – of the two above-attached, fully-documented public corruption/grand jury complaints against Long Island's 34 state legislators which my September 5th and September 22nd e-mails furnished it – and which its TWO Albany reporters had notice of, two months earlier, by a July 3rd e-mail I had sent them. Wouldn't this be a powerful way to PROVE the necessity of your "local journalism" to your subscribers—and to build an energized, enthusiastic readership on Long Island and elsewhere, opting to subscribe or financially donate because "local journalism matters".

As I briefly met Publisher Dolan on December 3, 2019 at Long Island's Fair News Council's "Real and Powerful" conference – shortly after publicly questioning Pro Publica's President Richard Tofel about whether Pro Publica (which has a Local Reporting Network and has now added a 2020 "Electionland" project) would be willing to examine EVIDENCE establishing journalism's "fake news" problem, which he had publicly derided, and establishing that the reason voters re-elect their own legislative incumbents is because the media election-rigs – I am cc'ing Fair News Council CEO/Executive Director Jaci Clement and – in addition to Mr. Tofel – the other top editors of Pro Publica to whom I sent a January 31, 2020 e-mail, pleading for such EVIDENCE-based investigative journalism in a futile attempt to prevent the 2020 elections for New York's 213 state legislative seats from being election-rigged by New York's statewide and more localized press.

I conclude by noting that Riverhead LOCAL's co-founder and editor, Denise Civiletti, was a presenter at the Fair News Council's December 3, 2019 conference – at its session on "Hyperlocal News Coverage – Emerging Voices: Online-Only News Outlets" – and I met and spoke with her at that time. Also, Schneps Media CEO and Publisher Victoria Schneps was a scheduled presenter at the session "Inside the News – Establishing Relationships with the News Media" and PATCH.COM President Warren St. John was a scheduled presented at the session "Hyperlocal News Coverage – Navigating Today's New Local News Landscape".

Thank you.

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