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Subject: Queens Elections 2020 -- Informing Voters with EVIDENCE: public corruption/grand jury complaint vs Queens' 25 state legislators -- 21 running for re-election -- which Queens D.A. Katz is "sitting on"

Attachments: [6-9-20-complaint-queens-da-katz.pdf](#); queens-signature.pdf;
[queens-7-29-20-da-foil.pdf](#)

TO: New York Times
Daily News
New York Post
Wall Street Journal
City & State
The City
Gotham Gazette
City Limits
The Gothamist & WNYC
NYCity News Service/Craig Newmark Graduate School of Journalism
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As you know, Queens' 25 state legislators – 21 running for re-election, including Deputy Senate Majority Leader Michael Gianaris and Assembly Speaker *Pro Tempore* Jeffrion Aubry – are the subjects of a **fully-documented** public corruption/grand jury complaint, filed with Queens District Attorney Katz, who has been “sitting on” it. The complaint involves the “force of law” commission/committee scheme that gave all the legislators pay raises – and a legislature not operating at a remotely constitutional level.

The June 9, 2020 complaint, by the Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA), is above-attached – and below are the e-mails transmitting it and the above-attached July 29, 2020 FOIL request to D.A.

Katz. CJA's substantiating evidentiary webpage for the complaint is here:

<http://www.judgwatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2020-legislative/grand-juries.htm>.

As stated by the complaint, Queens voters are entitled to know that their state legislators cannot be re-elected because they must be indicted for larceny and other corruption on EVIDENCE so DISPOSITIVE as to assure their convictions. So, too, those defeated in primaries, who will be pocketing *salary-based* pensions that are also larcenous.

To facilitate your inquiries of the complained-against state legislators and D.A. Katz, I am cc'ing them on this e-mail. What, if anything, do they deny or dispute. Let them start where the complaint starts: [my July 16, 2019 e-mail to Deputy Senate Majority Leader Gianaris, Assembly Speaker Pro Tempore Aubry, and the Legislature's 13 other stipend-receiving leaders](#) requesting that they forward the e-mail to the 198 other state legislators, with its attached [July 15, 2019 written NOTICE](#) and [substantiating analysis](#) establishing that the [December 10, 2018 Report of the Committee on Legislative and Executive Compensation](#) – raising their legislative salaries from \$79,500 to \$110,000 – is “a **fraud** on the People of the State of New York – and a **larceny** of their tax dollars’, violating a succession of penal laws, and that their duty was to void it, to return the pay-raise monies they had already received, and to initiate criminal prosecutions of the Committee’s four members and abetting attorneys.” The analysis is 46 pages, excluding [exhibits](#). Will they furnish you with their findings of fact and conclusions of law? If not, I’m sure ordinary Queens citizens would be able to help you with what is obvious. Just accompany your story with links to the complaint and the evidentiary webpage so that they can see for themselves the open-and-shut, *prima facie* EVIDENCE that D.A. Katz has been withholding from a Queens grand jury.

I am available to answer your questions and assist you, to the max -- on a story not only upending each and every one of Queens' 25 state legislative races, but, 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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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org>
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Subject: Reasonable questions arising from your nonfeasance: June 9, 2020 public corruption complaint in support of grand jury inquiry, pursuant to Article I, §6 of the NYS Constitution, of Queens County state legislators...

TO: Queens County District Attorney Melinda Katz

I have received no acknowledgment or other response to my above-attached June 9, 2020 public corruption/grand jury complaint against Queens County state legislators, which I sent you by the below e-mail, with a direct link to the substantiating evidentiary webpage: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2020-legislative/grand-juries.htm>.

As the complaint presents evidence so *prima facie* and open-and-shut as to leave no doubt that a grand jury would speedily indict – and a trial jury speedily convict – the complained-against state legislators and their accomplices, your nonfeasance raises reasonable questions as to your performance with respect to *other* public corruption complaints filed by *other* members of the public. To help answer these questions, I have today filed a FOIL/information request with your FOIL/records access officer – to which you are cc'd. It is attached.

Thank you.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org>
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Subject: Superseding CORRUPTION COMPLAINT in support of grand jury inquiry, pursuant to Article I,

§6 of the NYS Constitution, of Queens County state legislators for "wilful misconduct in office", including larceny & fraud...

TO: Queens County District Attorney Melinda Katz

Please supersede the corruption/grand jury complaint sent by the below e-mail, with the attached, correcting typos and making other essentially minor changes. Apologies for the inconvenience.

Thank you.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org>
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Subject: CORRUPTION COMPLAINT in support of grand jury inquiry, pursuant to Article I, §6 of the NYS Constitution, of Queens County state legislators for "wilful misconduct in office", including larceny & fraud...

TO: Queens County District Attorney Melinda Katz

Attached is my above-entitled corruption/grand jury complaint of today's date addressed to you – with a separate scanned signature page. The link for CJA's "GRAND JURIES" webpage for the complaint, hyperlinking, linking, and posting all referred-to evidence, is here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/2020-legislative/grand-juries.htm>.

Should you require an original signed complaint, please notify me – and I will send it, immediately.

Thank you.

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