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Subject: Your article "Wall Street's Candidate Gave Herself \$8M for Manhattan

District Attorney Race" (Intercept, June 15, 2021)

Attachments: 6-9-20-complaint-ny-da-vance-corrected.pdf;

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TO: Akela Lacy/The Intercept

RE: Your article "Wall Street's Candidate Gave Herself \$8M for Manhattan District Attorney Race" (The Intercept, June 15, 2021)

It would appear that D.A. Candidate Weinstein's campaign has not revealed to you a more explosive issue in the Manhattan D.A. race, of which it and the campaigns of all the other D.A. candidates were apprised by the below June 14th e-mail entitled "So, you want to be Manhattan D.A., here's the info & EVIDENCE in support of your whistle-blowing, NOW -- & your duty, IF elected, to present same to a Manhattan grand jury". It was also sent to five of candidate Bragg's endorsers: The New York Times, Elizabeth Holtzman, Zephyr Teachout, Preet Bharara, and Jennifer Rodgers -- as it details, with open-and-shut, prima facie EVIDENCE, his public corruption, as chief deputy attorney general -- & that of candidate Quart, as state assemblyman.

What do they each have to say about it – and how, <u>specifically</u>, and in the context of the e-mail's above two attachments, will the candidates be handling the public corruption duties of the D.A.'s office and its grand jury responsibilities.

In view of your prior March 2nd article on the Manhattan D.A. race, "Working Families Party Weighs in on Crowded Manhattan DA Race", about its endorsement of candidate Aboushi, thereafter prominently featured in The Intercept's May 11th article "With a Crowded Progressive Field, Wall Street's Candidate Gains Steam in Manhattan DA Race", why not start with her? As the May 11th article, written by Ryan Grim and Rose Adams, also discussed the other Democratic candidates, I am cc'ing them on this e-mail, so that they can assist you in getting responses to my June 14th e-mail from all eight – a priority, in view of the early voting already in process for the June 22nd Democratic primary.

I take this opportunity to note that the <u>EVIDENCE</u> pertaining to the corruption of Candidates Bragg and Quart ties in, DIRECTLY, to <u>The Intercept</u>'s June 9th article "<u>New York Senate Confirms Pro-Cop District Attorney to State's Highest Court</u>" that Ms. Rose co-authored with Sara Sirota. I am, therefore, cc'ing Ms. Sirota, as well – and note, further that their June 9th article does NOT report anything about the corruption that took place with respect to Nassau D.A. Singas' nomination and confirmation. Here, for example, are the comparable <u>grand jury/public corruption complaint</u> and <u>FOIL request</u> to D.A. Singas as above-attached to Manhattan D.A. Vance – and YES, ALL 15 members of the Senate Judiciary Committee were furnished these PRIOR to their ramming through D.A. Singas' confirmation to the Court of Appeals, WITHOUT ANY CONFIRMATION HEARING, let alone one allowing for opposition testimony. CJA's June

7th e-mail to ALL 15 members protesting what they were doing is <u>here</u>. The webpage on which it is posted, with a link to the substantiating webpage relating to Singas, is <u>here</u>.

I am available to answer questions – and to assist you in providing voters with information critical to their exercising an intelligent vote.

Thank you.

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Subject: So, you want to be Manhattan D.A., here's the info & EVIDENCE in support of your whistle-blowing, NOW -- & your duty, IF elected, to present same to a Manhattan grand jury

TO: Would-Be Manhattan District Attorneys Aboushi, Crotty, Florence, Lang, Orlins, and Weinstein

Five days ago, I sent you the below June 9th e-mail entitled "To the whistle-blower belongs the prize: Info to help you win your Democratic primary race for Manhattan D.A. -- & knock out Alvin Bragg & his endorsements by the NYT & such others as Liz Holtzman, Zephyr Teachout, & Preet Bharara. Also, Dan Quart" – furnishing it to Candidate Crotty by facebook.

Shortly thereafter, I received a call from one of your campaigns – and in the lengthy phone conversation that followed provided the info and substantiating EVIDENCE, which I showed was accessible from CJA's website, www.judgewatch.org, via its prominent ELECTIONS 2021 center link, containing entries for Would-Be Manhattan D.A.s Bragg and Quart. I had not yet created a dedicated webpage for the Manhattan D.A. race, but stated I would be doing so – and that I would post a narrative of EVIDENCE substantiating my June 9th e-mail, including as to the Bragg endorsers. This, I have now done, placing

the substantiating narrative and EVIDENCE on CJA's webpage for this e-mail. The direct link is: http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2021/june-14-2021-email.htm.

So that Messrs. Bragg and Quart may have the opportunity to deny or dispute ANY aspect of the mountain of open-and-shut, prima facie EVIDENCE against them, posted on that webpage – including the summarizing above-attached June 9, 2020 grand jury/public corruption complaint that Manhattan D.A. Vance has been "sitting on" – I am cc'ing them on this e-mail. Do they contest that the posted EVIDENCE leaves no doubt that a Manhattan grand jury would indict them – and a Manhattan trial jury convict them?

No candidate may be deemed fit to serve as Manhattan D.A. – or to occupy ANY office of public trust – who does not, based on the <u>posted EVIDENCE</u>, whistle-blow loudly and NOW – with an unequivocal pledge to Manhattan voters that, if elected, he/she will present the <u>June 9, 2020 grand jury/public corruption complaint</u> to a Manhattan grand jury – and obtain and release responsive answers to the above-attached <u>July 29, 2020 FOIL/information request</u> to which D.A. Vance has not responded. Will Messrs. Bragg and Quart do that? How about the rest of you?

To enable Republican Manhattan D.A. candidate Thomas Kenniff to also demonstrate his fitness, by his response, I am cc'ing him on this e-mail, as well.

As for Bragg endorsers <u>The New York Times</u>, Liz Holtzman, Zephyr Teachout, Preet Bharara, and Jennifer Rodgers, about whom the accompanying webpage furnishes an EVIDENTIARY narrative of their prior knowledge of the material facts and their cover-up and fraudulent conduct with respect thereto, I am also cc'ing them so that they may respond, including by retracting their endorsements.

In addition to <u>The New York Times</u>, I will separately forward this e-mail to other press, including the panoply of New York City's other "independent", "trustworthy", "local journalism" -- the "nonprofits", among them. These will be accessible *via* a link on CJA's menu webpage for the Manhattan D.A. race: http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/elections/2021/menu-manhatta-da-race.htm.

Needless to say, ALL the candidates, by reason of their candidacies, can command press coverage, without having to pay for it. Likewise, most of the endorsers. And, of course, <u>The New York Times</u> is its own press.

Finally, since D.A. candidate Crotty is apparently refusing to furnish me with an e-mail, I will — as I did with the below June 9th e-mail — paste it onto the chain of my messages to her, on her facebook page: https://www.facebook.com/Lizcrotty2021. Also, since Bragg endorser Preet Bharara apparently posts no e-mail address for himself, I request that recipients of this e-mail forward it on to him, for response.

Thank you.

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I have info to help you win your upcoming Democratic primary for Manhattan D.A. – & knock out Alvin Bragg AND his endorsements by The New York Times and such others as Liz Holtzman, Zephyr Teachout, & Preet Bharara. Also, Dan Quart.

Please call me for details – and the explosive substantiating EVIDENCE. To the whistle-blower belongs the prize – and the gratitude of the People of Manhattan AND the State of New York!

As I have no e-mail address for Candidate Crotty, from whom I have received no response to my messages for same, *via* her facebook page, I will furnish this to her, *via* facebook.

Thank you.

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