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Subject: LEAD -- ALERT: Is the Senate dispensing with confirmation hearings on the nominations

of Singas & Cannataro to the Court of Appeals? Or are the hearings to be without public notice, without opposition testimony, & without prior vetting of EVIDENCE?

Attachments: 1-15-21-foil-hoylman-complaint.pdf

TO: Legislative Correspondents Association Reporters

According to Yancey Roy's article "<u>Progressives seek to block Singas' nomination to state's highest court</u>", posted on <u>Newsday</u>'s website in the early evening yesterday and appearing in its today's newspaper (at A8):

"Democrats, who control 43 of the 63 Senate seats, were expected to discuss the Singas nomination in a closed-door meeting this week. Officials have told Newsday the Senate could vote on the nomination on June 9, one day before the scheduled end of the 2021 session of the State Legislature."

No mention of **any** Senate Judiciary Committee confirmation hearing on her nomination – or on the nomination of Cannataro. Is the Senate planning to dispense with confirmation hearings – and move directly to a vote? Or will the hearings be **without p**ublic notice, **without** opposition testimony, & **without** prior vetting of **EVIDENCE** dispositive of their unfitness, requiring the rejection of each.

For the backstory of what has been going on, below, with the above attachment, is my June 1, 2021 e-mail to Senate Judiciary Committee Chair Hoylman entitled: "Senate Judiciary Committee procedures for vetting Gov. Cuomo's nominations of Singas & Cannataro to the NY Court of Appeals -- & request to testify in strong opposition at their confirmation hearings, with EVIDENCE, decisive of their unfitness", to which I have received NO response from him - or from Ranking Member Boyle and the 13 other Senate Judiciary Committee members to whom it was simultaneously sent.

I am available to discuss with you the EVIDENCE that the Senate Judiciary Committee does NOT want to receive from me and investigate. It is accessible from CJA's webpage for the Senate Judiciary Committee during this 2021 legislative session and includes <u>CJA's June 10, 2020 grand jury/public corruption complaint against Nassau County state legislators - two Senate Judiciary Committee members among them and impacting on ALL 63 senators - that Nassau County D.A. Singas is "sitting on". The direct link to the webpage is here: http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/leg-committees-commissions/senate/2021-senate-judiciary.htm.</u>

Thank you.

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