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TO: [Beth Wang/New York Court Reporter – Bloomberg Law](#)

RE: your today's article, "[NY Judicial Conduct Complaints Up Sharply Amid Increased Public Scrutiny](#)" (Bloomberg Law).

I am director and co-founder of the non-partisan, non-profit citizens' organization [Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc \(CJA\)](#) and have, for decades, documented the corruption of the Commission on Judicial Conduct and furnished the evidence to New York's highest public officers. These include public officers, current and past, running in this year's elections for New York City's top offices.

For an overview, here's my [written testimony](#) submitted for [the Legislature's February 13, 2025 budget hearing on "public protection"](#), at which Commission Administrator Robert Tembeckjian testified. Page 3 quotes from written testimony I presented in 2021, stating:

"In 1989, then State Comptroller Edward Regan sought to investigate whether the Commission on Judicial Conduct was doing the ethics oversight and enforcement job over the Judiciary for which it was established and for which taxpayers pay it. He recognized that no assessment was possible without examining how the Commission was handling complaints. However, the Commission would not give him access to complaints, citing statutory confidentiality. As a result, Comptroller Regan wrote a report entitled [Not Accountable to the Public: Resolving Charges Against Judges is Cloaked in Secrecy](#), with an accompanying press release just as blunt entitled '[Commission on Judicial Conduct Needs Oversight](#)'. That was 32 years ago – and the Legislature never took the simple action that Comptroller Regan said was the *sine qua non* for any assessment of the Commission on Judicial Conduct's functioning – a statutory amendment to provide for independent examination/auditing of its records of complaints."

I look forward to discussing my testimony with you – and the evidence that candidates running for New York City mayor, Manhattan borough president, New York City public advocate, Manhattan district attorney, Brooklyn district attorney, and New York City Council seats are [fully knowledgeable](#) of the Commission's corruption and that of New York's other "public protection" entities, which they have covered-up, for years, causing vast and irreparable injury to the people and state governance.

Thank you.

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