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Dear Mr. Healy,

The facts presented by my proposed Letter to the Editor, faxed to you shortly after 10 a.m. this morning, are TOO important not to see light of day in <u>The Albany Times Union</u>. Attached, for your convenience, is the proposed Letter in e-mail form, to aid in any editing as may be necessary

As I have been advised that Mr. McGrath is also involved in Letters to the Editor, I am sending him a copy, as well. Additionally, I am e-mailing a copy to Jay Jochnowitz, to whom a hard-copy was faxed earlier.

I look forward to discussing with you, Mr. McGrath, or anyone so-designated, the content of my proposed Letter -- and any editorial changes. It is vital that some form of the Letter appear -- or that The Albany Times Union present its own story about the readily-verifiable corruption of the NYS Commission on Judicial Conduct, as documented by my public interest lawsuit.

Without the glare of publicity, the Court of Appeals will simply disregard its duty to review the politically-explosive lawsuit. The result would be to deprive the People of this State of their best and most immediate opportunity for securing long-overdue judicial accountability. There can be no doubt but that achieving true judicial accountability -- sooner, rather than later -- is consistent with your editorial series.

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