

Center for Judicial Accountability

From: Center for Judicial Accountability <elena@judgewatch.org>
Sent: Sunday, January 12, 2014 10:08 AM
To: 'info@Watchdog.org'; 'wswaim@watchdog.org'
Subject: Building Watchdog.org Journalism in NYS -- RE: Thank you for subscribing

Dear Will,

Thank you for the work you are doing. However, it appears that Watchdog.org does not yet have journalists covering New York State government. Perhaps you thought that New York is such a media hub that it has an ample supply of hard-hitting, muckraking journalists. Nothing could be further from the truth – and our nonpartisan, nonprofit citizens' organization, Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA), has chronicled, time, after time, after time, over the course of nearly 25 years, how New York's press is collusive with, and a perpetuator of, the corruption of all three branches of our state government. We have chronicled an identical situation on the federal level.

I see that among your "issues" are "state budgets". We have a politically-explosive unfolding story about the fraudulence and unconstitutionality of New York's Judiciary & Legislative budgets, proposed for fiscal year 2014-2015 – which we have set forth in two letters to New York Governor Andrew Cuomo & legislative leaders, dated December 11th and December 30th. As with so much of our work, the letters are posted on our website, www.judgewatch.org – and because the story is happening now, directly accessible from the homepage hyperlink "CJA leads the way to NYS budget reform..."

Can you help us find reporters for this story? I would be most appreciative if, after you review those two letters, you would be good enough to call me. Time is of the essence.

Thank you.

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From: Will Swaim, Watchdog.org [<mailto:info@Watchdog.org>]
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Also, make sure you don't miss our big [investigative series on the Obamacare rollout](#). We've covered the massive health care law everywhere from the mire of dysfunction in Washington to implementation at the state level. Obamacare is huge and complicated, but we're here to help you understand what exactly it says, the effect it's having on everyday Americans, and what it means for our country.

Again, thank you!