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Dear David,

I have still received no response from you or Professor Milyo.

Any day now, Governor Cuomo will be releasing the state budget. What is the status of your review of our December 11th, December 30th, and January 7th letters – to which my prior e-mails alerted you?

Meantime, two days ago, on January 14th, I wrote a further letter – this one to "the appropriate committees of the legislature" – as to their role, implicit in Article VII, Sec. 1 of NY's Constitution, in compiling the "itemized estimates" of the Legislature's "financial needs" that is to be "certified by the presiding officer of each house". That letter is posted on our menu page for "NYS Budget Reform": <u>http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/budget-2014-2015/menu-budget-reform.htm</u>

What is your expert opinion as a scholar? – and who are the other scholars of "budgetary politics" and the "design and enforcement of budget rules" to whom we should additionally turn for guidance and for their ability to make a powerful contribution to the Governor, to the Legislature, and to the People of the State of New York with respect to the budget? Again, time is of the essence here.

Thank you.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability [mailto:elena@judgewatch.org]
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Dear David,

I've received no response from you or Professor Milyo to the below – and am re-sending it in the event it did not reach you. <u>Time is of the essence</u>. Last Friday, the Senate and Assembly issued their schedule of joint hearings on the budget – the first, on "Local Government Officials/General Government", beginning in just two weeks. Based on my previous inquiries, it would seem that testimony with respect to the Legislative budget would be entertained at that first hearing.

What is your view of CJA's December 11th and December 30th letters as to the unconstitutionality and fraudulence of the Judiciary and Legislative budgets? And can you put me in contact with other scholars of political science and New York state government having the expertise to offer their opinions for the benefit of the Governor, Legislature – and the People of this State?