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Subject: What is Your Answer? Location of Records of the NYS Ethics Commission, Germane to CJA's June 27th JCOPE Complaint & to the Investigations of the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption.

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TO: NEW YORK STATE JOINT COMMISSION ON PUBLIC ETHICS (JCOPE)
ATT: RECORDS ACCESS OFFICER

I have receive no response to the below e-mail – sent more than a month ago. It asked “what became of the records of the New York State Ethics Commission upon its dissolution”. Specifically, it asked about the whereabouts of the Ethics Commission’s records pertaining to the succession of ethics complaints we had filed with it --germane to both JCOPE’s investigation of our June 27th ethics complaint and to the investigations of the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption.

Did you answer? If so, what was it?

Thank you.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability [<mailto:elena@judgewatch.org>]
Sent: Tuesday, July 02, 2013 4:04 PM
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Subject: Location of Records of the NYS Ethics Commission, Germane to our June 27, 2013 Ethics Complaint to the NYS Joint Commission on Public Ethics, Etc.

TO: NEW YORK STATE JOINT COMMISSION ON PUBLIC ETHICS
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This follows up my phone conversation on Friday, June 28, 2013, with Investigator Jack Patterson, in connection with the June 27, 2013 ethics complaint we filed with the New York State Joint Commission on Public Ethics against New York State’s highest constitutional officers, public officers, and employees of the executive and legislative branches of NYS government.

I stated to Mr. Patterson that voluminous documentary evidence substantiating our June 27th ethics complaint had been furnished, years ago, to the New York State Ethics Commission. Such documentary evidence substantiated a succession of ethics complaints we had filed with the State Ethics Commission beginning, in 1992, with our ethics complaint against the New York State Board of Elections and, in 1995, against the New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct and New York State Attorney General, including a request for intervention in our Article 78 proceeding *Doris L. Sassower v. Commission on Judicial Conduct* (NY Co. #95-109141), which, in 1999, we supplemented, including by a request for the Ethics Commission's intervention in our *Article 78 proceeding: Elena Ruth Sassower, Director of the Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc, acting pro bono public, v Commission on Judicial Conduct of the State of New York* (NY Co. #99-108551).

As such documentary evidence is relevant to our June 27th ethics complaint to the Joint Commission on Public Ethics – as well as relevant to the investigations that will be undertaken by Governor Cuomo's Moreland Commission to Investigate Public Corruption, including with respect to its express mandate to examine "the Board of Elections' enforcement, and the effectiveness of and compliance with existing election laws" – kindly advise what became of the records of the New York State Ethics Commission upon its dissolution.

For your convenience, our own "paper trail" of these prior ethics complaints and the mountain of substantiating documentary proof that we furnished to the Ethics Commission, spanning from February 5, 1992 to September 22, 2003, is posted on our website, www.judgewatch.org, accessible via the left sidebar panel "Searching for Champions-NYS". Here's the direct link to the webpage on which such "paper trail" is posted: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/correspondence-nys-ethics-commission.htm>. Indeed, here's the direct link to our [CJA's September 23, 2003 letter to the Ethics Commission](#), as it is entitled: "(1)Preservation of the records of CJA's ethics complaints..." – and itself identifies that among the substantiating case files we furnished were those of our two Election Law lawsuits: *Castracan v. Colavita* and *Sady v. Murphy*, and our two Article 78 proceedings against the Commission on Judicial Conduct.

Thank you.

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cc: Moreland Act Commission to Investigate Public Corruption