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Subject: What are the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption's procedures and rules for handling conflicts of interest?
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What are the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption's procedures and rules for handling conflicts of interest?

Our nonpartisan, nonprofit citizens' organization asked that question – three weeks ago – in an August 5th letter to its Executive Director, Regina Calcaterra, which we also sent to its three Co-Chairs, D.A. William Fitzpatrick, D.A. Kathleen Rice, and Milton Williams, Jr.

The letter additionally asked how the Commission handles the "TIPS" and "COMMENTS" it receives from members of the public reporting public corruption, by phone and *via* its website – and the protocol for the Commission's upcoming public hearings, whose notice does not request any advance registration or RSVP.

We have received no response.

Below is our follow-up e-mail, sent to all four of them yesterday – also posted on the webpage we've specially created for the letter. Here's the direct link: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/commission-on-public-corruption.htm>.

I am available to be interviewed – and to answer your questions.

Thank you.

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Subject: Status: Our August 5, 2013 Letter --"Keeping the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption True to its Name & Announced Purpose"

Dear Executive Director Calcaterra:

We have received no response from you to our attached August 5, 2013 letter, sent by the below e-mail. Nor have we received any response from the Commission's three co-chairs – D.A. William Fitzpatrick, D.A. Kathleen Rice, and Milton Williams.

Have you or they responded?

As stated at the conclusion of the letter:

“As the issues here presented are threshold – the integrity of the Commission and its ability to be true to the announced purposes for which it was established – we trust you, if not the Commission's three co-chairs, will be responding without delay.” (at p. 8, underlining in original)

Please advise.

Thank you.

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Subject: Superseding Letter -- Keeping the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption True to its Name & Announced Purpose

The attached corrects typos and makes non-substantive changes to our above-entitled August 5th letter, which it supersedes. It has also been posted on our identically-entitled webpage for the Commission. Here's the direct link: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/commission-on-public-corruption.htm>

Apologies for any inconvenience.

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Subject: Keeping the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption True to its Name & Announced Purpose

Attached is the Center for Judicial Accountability's above-entitled letter of today's date to Commission Executive Director Regina Calcaterra – to which the Commission's three co-chairs are indicated recipients, as is Commission member Soares.

The letter is already posted, with substantiating evidence, on the webpage we created for the Commission, on our website, www.judgewatch.org, accessible *via* the top panel "Latest News" by its hyperlink "Holding Government Accountable for its Grand Larceny of the Public Fisc and Other Corruption". Here's the direct link: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/commission-on-public-corruption.htm> .

Thank you.

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