Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)

From:

Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) [elena@judgewatch.org]

Sent:

Thursday, April 05, 2012 11:03 PM

To:

'Andrew Meier'

Subject:

Thank you -- RE: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. v. Cuomo, Sup Ct BX Cty 302951/2012

Attachments: personal-service-4-5-12.pdf

for your return call earlier today, which helped pass the time on the long drive up to Albany. Thank you, too, for waiving service upon the Attorney General. All other parties have been personally served, as directed by Justice Brigantte-Hughes' order to show cause. Attached herewith is our coverletter accompanying the service – and the signed admissions of service, which will be filed with the Court on the April 16th return date.

Just as independent counsel was appointed to represent the Governor, Comptroller, Senate, Assembly, and the State in some of the judges' judicial compensation lawsuits, so, too, must independent counsel be here appointed to represent the defendants. The Attorney General is a party, disqualified for interest – and, in any event, his duty, pursuant to Executive Law 63.1, is to represent plaintiffs Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. and myself, here acting as private attorneys general to uphold what is the Attorney General's duty, *to wit*, the "interests of the state". Such would be evident from the Attorney General's findings of fact and conclusions of law with respect to CJA's October 27, 2011 Opposition Report, as likewise from the findings of fact and conclusions of law of his would-be clients.

As I stated to your predecessor, Assistant Attorney General Roderick Arz, we demand that these <u>findings of fact and conclusions of law</u> be disgorged so that the Court can properly evaluate the threshold issue of the Attorney General's representation.

Thank you.

Elena Sassower 718-708-5303

From: Andrew Meier [mailto:Andrew.Meier@ag.ny.gov]

Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2012 3:10 PM

To: 'elena@judgewatch.org' **Cc:** 'elenaruth@aol.com'

Subject: Sassower v. Cuomo, Sup Ct BX Cty 302951/2012

Good afternoon, pursuant to our conversation of earlier today, please find my contact information below. Assuming that service is perfected and formal representation is requested, I will be representing all defendants in the above-captioned action going forward.

Andrew Meier Assistant Attorney General Office of the New York State Attorney General 120 Broadway, 24th Floor New York, NY 10271 t: (212) 416-8305 f: (212) 416-6009