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Senator John L. Sampson, Chairman New York State Senate Standing Committee on the Judiciary Room 506, Legislative Office Building Albany, New York 12247

ATT: Tim Spotts, Counsel

RE: <u>Request for Transcript of the Committee's January 27, 2009 Public Hearing</u> "The nomination process for Judges to the New York State Court of Appeals"

Dear Mr. Spotts:

Following up my voice mail message a short while ago, this is to request a copy of the stenographic transcript of the Senate Judiciary Committee's January 27, 2009 public hearing on "The nomination process for Judges to the New York State Court of Appeals".

Has the Senate Judiciary Committee, under Senator Sampson's leadership, set a policy of providing witnesses with a copy of their testimony, free of charge, upon their request for same? If not, I will pay for my transcribed testimony – and for the balance of the hearing transcript.

Pursuant to F.O.I.L., the cost is \$.25 per-page, which I will immediately remit upon your advice as to the total number of transcript pages.

Your prompt attention would be greatly appreciated. Please advise, by fax (631-377-3582) and/or e-mail (cja@judgewatch.org).

Thank you.

Yours for a quality judiciary,

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