

**Request to Testify at September 17th hearing
from Elena Sassower, Director/Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)
e-mailed via the Commission's form & website on Sept. 13th at 11:20 a.m.**

"Subject Matter To Be Addressed"

"On July 20, 2011, in testifying before New York's Temporary Commission on Judicial Compensation, I stated, in opposition to judicial pay raises -- and as my concluding words -- "The judiciary of this state is corrupt, pervasively, systemically corrupt." It is -- and the collusion therein by that Commission and by our highest public officers in all three government branches and of the "fourth branch", the press, as well as academia, bar associations, "good government" groups, etc. -- whose consequence, to date, has been the theft of roughly \$50 million taxpayer dollars in fraudulent judicial pay raises and ongoing judicial corruption -- directly results from flagrant disregard of the most fundamental conflict of interest rules, as to which there is no enforcement."

"Other Pertinent Information"

"The subject matter to be addressed is readily-verifiable, as it has been meticulously documented by our non-partisan, non-profit citizens' organization over the nearly quarter-century of our activism. Such is also readily-accessible, as much of this documentary evidence is posted on our website, www.judgewatch.org. Of particular relevance, our webpages whose hyperlinks are accessible via our top panel 'Latest News', such as:

- (1) 'Keeping the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption True to Its Name & Announced Purpose;
- (2) 'Holding Government Accountable for its Grand Larceny of the Public Fisc & Other Corruption';
- (3) 'The People Lead: Securing Introduction & Passage of the Public Trust Act & a Constitutionally Functioning Legislature'

- (4) 'CJA's People's Lawsuit to Void the Judicial Pay Raises & Secure Judicial Accountability", with its related hyperlink 'Building Scholarship'
- (5) "CJA's Championing of Appropriate Rules and Leadership for the NYS Legislature"
- (6) "Fighting Off Progeny of the Judicial Compensation Statute (S-2953, A-246) and Securing a Functioning Legislative Process"
- (7) "Senator John Sampson's 2009 Senate Judiciary Committee Hearings on the Commission on Judicial Conduct & Court-Controlled Attorney Disciplinary System"
- (8) 'Again, Championing the First Amendment & the Public's Rights -- Suing Gannett for Libel & Journalistic Fraud', with its related hyperlink 'Welcoming Sunshine: The Corrupt Judicial Appointments Process to White Plains City Court'

Indeed, also relevant is the final hyperlink: 'Exposing the Corruption of Federal Judicial Discipline' relating to 'CJA's March 6, 2008 Critique of the Breyer Committee Report', which is also directly hyperlinked, as is its 'Executive Summary'.

The foregoing was first brought to the Commission's attention on July 19, 2013 -- and has been the subject of written communication from me -- most importantly, my August 5, 2013 letter entitled 'Keeping the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption True to its Name & Announced Purpose', requesting, inter alia, at page 5, 'a copy of all [the Commission's] 'procedures and rules' -- and...protocol for dealing with conflicts of interest, whether of Commission members, special advisors, or staff.' There has been no response."