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Alan Lebowitz, FOIL Officer New York State Division of the Budget Room 114, State Capitol Albany, New York 12224

RE: FOIL Request: New York State Board of Elections Budget Records Fiscal Years 1989-1990 through 2013-2014

Dear FOIL Officer Lebowitz,

Pursuant to FOIL (Public Officers Law, Article VI) and based on the Division of Budget's Citizen's Guide, http://www.budget.ny.gov/citizen/index.html, this is to request the following for the 25 fiscal years from 1989-1990 through 2013-2014:

- (1) the budget requests and any "side letters" that the State Board of Elections submitted to the Division of the Budget;
- (2) all publicly-available records pertaining to requests from the Division of the Budget to the State Board of Elections for additional information and/or clarification of its budget requests;
- (3) all publicly-available records pertaining to the Budget Director's "formal" budget hearings at which the State Board of Elections presented and discussed its budget requests and at which the Division of the Budget, the Governor's office, and representatives of the Legislature, had the opportunity to raise questions on program, policy and priorities;
- (4) all publicly-available records as to the Division of the Budget's preliminary and final budgets for the State Board of Elections, with personnel recommendations;
- all publicly-available records pertaining to the Division of the Budget's table and narrative for the State Board of Elections (a.k.a. "budget story") that it furnished the Governor and any changes made by the Governor with respect thereto and to appropriations for the State Board of Elections:
- (6) the enacted budget for the State Board of Elections.

Pursuant to FOIL (Public Officers Law §89.3), your response is required "within five business days" of your receipt of this request. Kindly e-mail it to me at elena@judgewatch.org.

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Thank you.

cc: New York State Board of Elections:

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