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RE: Freedom of Information Law (FOIL) Request # 140346

Dear Ms. Sassower:

This letter responds to your correspondence dated July 1, 2014, which, pursuant to FOIL, requested the following:

"[R]e: Records Pertaining to the Attorney General's Approvals of Contracts for Services by:

- (1) Kasowitz, Benson, Torres, Friedman, LLP
- (2) Kirkland & Ellis, LLP
- (3) Loeb & Loeb, LLP

Enclosed is the 'Justification for Contract between the New York State Assembly and Kasowitz Benson Torres Friedman LLP', together with pertinent pages of the August 2013 Contract, #C111945.

The Contract limits compensation for services to \$50,000. Paragraph S states:

'This agreement will not take effect until approved, in writing, hereon by the Offices of the Attorney General and State Comptroller of the State of New York.' (underlining added).

Page 5 is a signature page for the parties, followed by a section entitled 'APPROVED AS TO FORM', which has lines for the signatures of the Attorney General and Comptroller and for the dates thereof. These are each stamped. The Attorney General's stamp reads: 'APROVED AS TO FORM NYS ATTORNEY GENERAL SEP 25 2013 Lorraine I. Remo LORRAINE I. REMO, PRINCIPAL ATTORNEY'.

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