



STATE OF NEW YORK  
EXECUTIVE CHAMBER  
ALBANY 12224

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**Via Email: [elena@judgewatch.org](mailto:elena@judgewatch.org)**

Elena Sassower  
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FOIL Request: #2539

Dear Elena Sassower:

This letter responds to your correspondence dated July 2, 2019, which pursuant to FOIL, requested:

access to all publicly-available records of:

- the Commission on Judicial Compensation, established by Chapter 567 of the Laws of 2010; and
- the Commission on Legislative, Judicial and Executive Compensation, established by Chapter 60, Part E, of the Laws of 2015.

For your convenience, each statute is attached. Their reports, which have cost taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars in statutorily-violative, fraudulent, and unconstitutional salary increases and salary-related benefits to judges (and to district attorneys by reason of Judiciary Law §183-a), are dated August 29, 2011 and December 24, 2015.

Additionally, please restore to functionality the Commission on Judicial Compensation's website, [www.judicialcompensation.ny.gov](http://www.judicialcompensation.ny.gov), as it has ceased to be accessible, including via the sidebar panel "Prior Salary Commission" of the Commission on Legislative, Judicial and Executive Compensation's website:  
<http://nyscommissiononcompensation.org/index.shtml>.

To the extent that your request is reasonably described, the New York State Executive Chamber (Executive Chamber) has conducted a diligent search and found records responsive to the portion of your request seeking "all publically available records" for the Commission on Legislative, Judicial and Executive Compensation, established by Chapter 60, Part E, of the Laws of 2015. Records responsive to this portion of your request is attached to the email

transmitting this letter. Please be advised that portions of the records that respond to your request are exempt from disclosure pursuant to Public Officers Law § 87(2)(b) because they “constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy....”

The Commission on Judicial Compensation, established by Chapter 567 of the Laws of 2010, was established before Governor Cuomo took office. Accordingly, the Executive Chamber does not possess any records responsive to this portion of your request.

Finally, the Executive Chamber does not maintain the website referenced in your request.

Pursuant to Public Officers Law § 89(4)(a), you have thirty (30) days to take a written appeal of this determination. You may appeal by writing: FOIL Appeals Officer, Executive Chamber, State Capitol, Albany, New York, 12224.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Valerie Lubanko". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Valerie Lubanko  
FOIL Counsel  
Records Access Officer