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## **MESSAGE:**

As was demonstrated in the case of <u>Castracan v.</u> Colavita, the New York State Board of Elections once again has totally failed to meet its responsibility to enforce the Election Law so as to prevent corrupt practices by politicians bent on subverting the democratic process. In disregard for the clear and unequivocal mandates of the Election Law, the State Board of Elections has once again ignored the Election Law violations on the face of the certificates of nomination filed in connection with the two current Supreme Court judicial vacancies, as well as the admission by Judge Silverman, as reported in the Gannett news story of September 29, 1991, that the <u>quid pro quo</u> for his cooperation and declination was the promise of next year's This could be held to constitute an exchange of nomination. "valuable consideration", which is a felony under the Election Law and applicable case law.