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Ron,

Even apart from the fact that you are fully protected from any libel liability by the fact that Greer and Boykin, as the candidates involved, are plainly public figures, I stand behind every statement that you may consider libelous, truth being a perfect defense. I have direct first hand knowledge, as well as ample documentation to prove the facts are as stated. For such purpose, I will make all relevant documents available to you and your Editorial Board. Just tell me when. If you are serious about providing the truth to your readers, rather than relying on and passing on incompetent hearsay, how about assigning one of your investigative reporters to review the real evidence —before the Election? I offer our fullest cooperation for such purpose.

As for the facts asserted in the 10/23/03 letter, reference to our website should suffice to indicate that there are no words intemperate enough to describe the enormity of the lawbreaking that took place by virtue of the 1989 Three-Year Deal or the devastation resulting by reason thereof to our judicial system and the litigants seeking justice therefrom. Invariably futile, when politically motivated judges are on the bench and politically connected lawyers before them.

As you surely realize, it's now too late to use other channels. I therefore am authorizing you to edit where you feel necessary so long as "our views" can be published by Monday, provided you send me your edited changes without delay.

With all due respect, please remember that your newspaper has a time-honored obligation to publish even those views it does not agree with, even more so when it has editorially endorsed candidates without hearing the other side. You surely would not want readers to believe you reserve your Letters to the Editor columns only for those who offer adulatory letters concerning same, or would you?

Doris

By the way, in case you haven't heard, according to this week's Associated Press and NY Times reports, even our highest state judge, Chief Judge Judith Kaye, now recognizes the existence of "judicial corruption" and that "immediate steps must be taken to restore public confidence, to remedy systemic flaws and to avoid the recurrence of misconduct." Does the Reporter Dispatch really want to be that far behind as to continue keeping this transcendingly important public interest issue secret from its readers?

-Doris L. Sassower, Co-Founder,  
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