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Mr. David Rohde/The New York Times

RE: TIME TO BRING IN THE EDITORS

& TO PREPARE STORIES FOR "LAW DAY" -

MAY 1st

Dear David:

Before you go away on vacation, PLEASE take the small mountain of documentation pertaining to the Commission case that I believe you've been building under the left side of your desk and pass it on to your editors, along with the innumerable story proposals that I've faxed and delivered to you over the past six months.

Let them review these document-supported proposals in the week that you're away. That way when you get back from vacation -- and I get back from vacation -- we can all sit down, without wasting more time. If you and/or John Sullivan are NOT available to report on this important case, then other *Times* reporters must be assigned - preferably investigative reporters who can work on an expose.

Please view the A & E investigative report video that I delivered to you with my October 25, 1999 letter. If you think it would be useful for your editors to see it, please also pass it on to them. Otherwise, if you could mail it back I would greatly appreciate it — as I would like to provide it to another newspaper reporter who has expressed interest in doing a story.

I would remind you that "Law Day" is May 1st – and that it is not too soon to start planning stories. Appropriate stories would be about the Commission, the sole state agency that is charged with the duty of enforcing standards of judicial conduct, and about the Attorney General, our state's highest law enforcement officer and supposedly, "the People's Lawyer" – such as I've been proposing ever since you wrote your "When a Judge Gets Out of Line: Seeking a Cure" column and Mr. Sullivan wrote his "Spitzer Sets Up Unit to Investigate State and Local Corruption" article last August.

Have a restful and enjoyable vacation.

Elena