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Mr. David Rohde/The New York Times

RE: Moving Forward with Document-Supported Stories on (1) the NYS Commission on Judicial Conduct; (2) the NYS Attorney General; (3) the NYS Commission on Judicial Nomination – among others

Dear David:


Re-read my story proposals to you, going back to last September. They are stories deserving the kind of "investigative" coverage that the Times demonstrated last week in its series on rampage killers.

As with that series, more than one reporter should be working on these proposed stories. *You should be one of them.* Don't give them up "without a fight", as they are important prize-winners, the likes of which may not again "fall into your lap" any time soon -- if at all.

Call me if your editors have made any decision before next Wednesday. Otherwise, I will call you then -- by which time it will, plainly, be too late for investigative stories on the subjects I proposed to appear in the Times for "Law Day", as I had hoped.

Meantime, I will transmit to you copies of CJA's March 3rd and April 18th letters to Chief Judge Kaye, calling upon her to designate a Special Inspector General to investigate the corruption of the NYS Commission on Judicial Conduct. You already have in your possession CJA's February 23rd letter to Governor Pataki, calling upon him to appoint a Special Prosecutor or investigative commission. *After YOU review them*, these should be among the materials provided to your editors to aid their decisional-process.

Yours for a quality judiciary,



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