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# FILE FOLDER I: RIFKIN DOCUMENTS/ HIRSHMAN DOCUMENTS December 24, 1998 letter [Exhibit "B" to Petitioner's July 28, 1999 Affidavit]

CJA's correspondence with and about RICHARD RIFKIN and MICHELLE HIRSHMAN, involving their official misconduct as Executive Director of the New York State Ethics Commission and Chief of the Public Corruption Unit of the U.S. Attorney for the Southern District of New York, respectively — hand-delivered to the law office of Attorney General-Elect Spitzer under Petitioner's December 24, 1998 letter for their high-level appointments in the Attorney General's office to be rescinded

#### FILE FOLDER I: RIFKIN DOCUMENTS

- (1) CJA's September 14, 1995 letter to Richard Rifkin, constituting a supplemental ethics complaint against Respondent and initiating an ethics complaint against the Attorney General and, in substantiation, transmitting a copy of the case file of the prior Article 78 proceeding against Respondent, Doris L. Sassower v. Commission on Judicial Conduct of the State of New York (NY Co. #95-109141)
- (2) Richard Rifkin's October 3, 1995 letter to CJA
- (3) CJA's January 24, 1996 letter to Richard Rifkin
- (4) Richard Rifkin's February 29, 1998 letter to CJA
- (5) CJA's April 24, 1996 letter to Richard Rifkin
- (6) Joseph Bress' May 28, 1996 letter to CJA
- (7) CJA's April 15, 1997 letter to Walter Ayres, enclosing CJA's April 11, 1997 letter to Reverend Robert Eggenschiller and CJA's April 15, 1997 letter to Governor George Pataki
- (8) CJA's June 10, 1997 letter to Walter Ayres, enclosing CJA's June 9, 1997 letter to the Ethics Commissioners
- (9) CJA's December 17, 1997 letter to the Ethics Commissioners, constituting a supplemental ethics complaint against the Attorney General, including against Attorney General Vacco, personally

## FILE FOLDER I: HIRSHMAN DOCUMENTS

- (1) CJA's May 6, 1997 letter to Michelle Hirshman, annexing CJA's August 1, 1995 letter to Jonathan Rosenberg, Deputy Chief, Criminal Division of the Office of the U.S. Attorney and enclosing CJA's May 5, 1997 memorandum-challenge
- (2) Michelle Hirshman's May 19, 1997 letter to CJA
- (3) Michelle Hirshman's June 27, 1997 letter to CJA, returning [in uncreased, "untouched by human hands condition"] the materials transmitted by CJA under its August 1, 1995 letter, including the case file in the prior Article 78 proceeding against Respondent, Doris L. Sassower v. Commission on Judicial Conduct of the State of New York
- (4) CJA's July 27, 1998 letter to Lee Radek, Chief, Public Integrity Section, U.S. Justice Department, Criminal Division -- See pp. 4-5

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#### FILE FOLDER II: JANUARY 27, 1999 LETTER

[Exhibit "D" to Petitioner's July 28, 1999 Affidavit]

Documentary materials substantiating Respondent's dismissals, without investigation and without reasons, of facially-meritorious complaints against high-ranking, politically-connected judges and the State Senate's fraudulent confirmation Albert Rosenblatt to the Court of Appeals, hand-presented to Attorney General Spitzer at the Association of the Bar of the City of New York under Petitioner's January 27, 1999 letter calling upon him to meet his duty to take corrective steps and to investigate

- (1) Documents substantiating CJA's November 18, 1998 letter -- to which Attorney General Spitzer was an indicated recipient:
  - CJA's three judicial misconduct complaints against Appellate Division, Second Department Justice Rosenblatt: September 19, 1994, October 26, 1994, and December 5, 1994, with Respondent's letters of acknowledgment and dismissal
  - B. Uncontroverted cert petition and supplemental brief in Doris L. Sassower v. Hon. Guy Mangano, et al. federal action (U.S. Supreme Court #98-106)<sup>5</sup>, filed with Respondent in substantiation of Petitioner's October 6, 1998 judicial misconduct complaint
- (2) Documents substantiating CJA's Letter to the Editor: "An Appeal to Fairness: Revisit the Court of Appeals" (New York Post, 12/28/98)6, concerning the State Senate's fraudulent confirmation of Justice Rosenblatt to the Court of Appeals:
  - A. CJA's December 16, 1998 letter to David Gruenberg, Senior Counsel to Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Lack
  - B. December 17, 1998 transcript of the Senate confirmation of Justice Rosenblatt to the Court of Appeals (9:22 p.m.)
  - C. CJA's January 13, 1999 letter to Susan Zimmer, Clerk of the Senate Judiciary Committee

Annexed as Exhibit "E" to the Verified Petition.

As set forth at footnote 5 of Petitioner's January 27, 1999 letter, the cert petition and supplemental brief were hand-delivered to Mr. Spitzer on September 8, 1998 under a coverletter of that date [annexed as Exhibit "D-3" to January 27, 1999 letter].

Annexed as part of Exhibit "F-6" to the Verified Petition, as well as an attachment to Petitioner's December 28, 1998 letter to Attorney General-Elect Spitzer [Exhibit "C" to Petitioner's accompanying Affidavit].

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## FILE FOLDER III: MARCH 26, 1999 LETTER

[Exhibit "E" to Petitioner's July 28, 1999 Affidavit]

Documents from Folder "V" to Petitioner's March 26, 1999 letter, transmitted to Attorney General Spitzer in substantiation of an ethics complaint against him, personally, for covering up systemic governmental corruption, including the corruption of the New York State Commission on Judicial Nomination's "merit selection" procedures and Governor Pataki's complicity therewith

- (1) CJA's October 5, 1998 letter to the NYS Commission on Judicial Nomination (Stuart Summit, Counsel) [annexed as Exhibit "C-2" to the Verified Petition]
- (2) CJA's November 18, 1998 letter to the Executive Committee of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York [annexed as Exhibit "E" to the Verified Petition]
- (3) CJA's February 5, 1999 letter to NYS Commission on Judicial Nomination (to Mr. Summit)
- (4) NYS Commission on Judicial Nomination's February 24, 1999 letter to CJA, enclosing "the Commission's Report to the Governor,...delivered November 12, 1998" (from Mr. Summit)
- (5) CJA's March 12, 1999 letter to NYS Commission on Judicial Nomination (to Mr. Summit)
- (6) Transcript of Senate Judiciary Committee "hearing" on the nomination of Albert Rosenblatt to the Court of Appeals, December 17, 1998 (3:30 p.m.)