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RE: <u>United States of America v. John Sampson</u> – Deal-making that Advances the Corruption-Fighting Agenda of U.S. Attorney Bharara and Repudiates the Appearance and Reality that Black & Hispanic Legislators are being Invidiously Investigated & Prosecuted

Dear U.S. Attorney Bharara:

Enclosed is a copy of the Center for Judicial Accountability's above-entitled letter of today's date to U.S. Attorney Loretta Lynch, to which you are an indicated recipient. As stated therein:

"A copy of this letter is being hand-delivered to U.S. Attorney Bharara so that he can take appropriate action in furtherance of his corruption-fighting agenda and to prevent <u>the appearance and actuality</u> that he and you are 'protecting' the political establishment, while invidiously and selectively investigating and prosecuting Black and Hispanic legislators." (at p. 5, underlining in the original).

In the event Brendan McGuire, Chief of your Public Integrity Unit, has not yet brought to your attention CJA's hand-delivered April 15th corruption complaint addressed to you (which, when I spoke with him by phone on May 7th, he claimed he had not yet himself reviewed), this is to request that you immediately secure same from him.

Meantime, enclosed is a copy of the April 15^{th} complaint (without the substantiating documentary proof that accompanied it), as well as other correspondence and primary source material relating thereto to which you are an indicated recipient – and which I discussed with Mr. McGuire on May 7^{th} :

• CJA's April 19th letter to Senator Malcolm Smith;



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U.S. Attorney Preet Bharara

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- CJA's May 7th letter to all Senators and Assembly Members;
- CJA's May 1st letter to New York State Unified Court System Inspector General Sherrill Spatz;
- my May 6th written oral argument before an Appellate Division, Second Department panel headed by Justice Peter Skelos in *Sassower, et al. v. Gannett, et al.* the case identified at ¶5d of the verified complaint in *Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc., et al. v. Cuomo, et al.*, whose named defendants, sued for corruption, include Justice Skelos' brother, Temporary Senate President Dean Skelos.

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