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Assembly Minority Leader Brian M. Kolb  
Albany, New York

RE: THE BEST STRATEGY FOR THE ASSEMBLY REPUBLICAN MINORITY:  
Assembly Rules Reform

Dear Minority Leader Kolb:

As Assembly Republicans are unlikely to become the majority party in the Assembly anytime soon, their best strategy for making their voices heard and representing their constituents is to level the playing field by championing non-partisan, good-government Assembly rules reform.

Please confirm that you will be introducing a resolution for Assembly rules reform, to be debated and voted upon at the Assembly's opening session on Wednesday, January 9<sup>th</sup> – and release a copy:

“with an accompanying memorandum identifying the extent to which they change the current Assembly rules to incorporate the salutary, non-partisan recommendations of the Brennan Center reports and/or of the Senate’s defunct Temporary Committee on Rules and Administration Reform – both its April 21, 2009 Democratic majority ‘Draft Report’ and its April 21, 2009 Republican Minority Report.” (our December 31, 2012 letter to you, at p. 9, underlining in the original).

For your convenience, faxed herewith are our January 3, 2013 and December 31, 2012 letters on the subject. These are also posted on our website, [www.judgewatch.org](http://www.judgewatch.org), accessible via the top panel “Latest News”. Thank you.

Enclosures

cc: Judy Skype, Chief of Staff  
Republican Assembly Members



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