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## DISTRICT ATTORNEY OF KINGS COUNTY MUNICIPAL BUILDING BROOKLYN, N.Y. 11201 (718) 802-2000



June 9, 1994

Ms. Elena Sassower Coordinator, Center for Judicial Accountability Box 69 Gendney Station White Plains, New York 10605-0069

> Re: Complaint of Criminal Conduct by Judges of the Appellate Division, Second Department.

Dear Ms. Sassower:

I have reviewed the above-captioned matter with Assistant District Attorney Frank Laghezza. Our review of the case, as you may already know, establishes that we do not have jurisdiction for any of the activity that took place in Westchester. If you wish, you should refer that portion of the case to the Westchester County District Attorney's Office.

In reviewing the documents you already provided, concerning the proceedings conducted by the Appellate Division, Second Department and the Attorney General's Office, we did not find sufficient evidence to initiate a criminal investigation.

In your conversation with ADA Laghezza, you indicated that you possess all the necessary evidence to prove allegations of criminal acts. Please send to our Office all documentation which would show specific criminal acts on the part of the Appellate Division, Second Department and/or the Attorney General's Office.

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The proof required for such serious allegations and possible criminal prosecution must be based on evidence, not speculation.

Since it appears that my Office does not have sufficient evidence of corruption to commence an investigation, regarding the above, I strongly recommend that your mother confer with her attorney about how to pursue this matter.

If you have any questions please feel free to call ADA Laghezza at (718) 522-3877.

Yours truly,

Dennis Hawkins Chief, Corruption

Investigation Division