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Subject: The Legislature's Power & Duty to Reject the Judiciary Budget -- & its Concealed, Unitemized 3rd Phase of Judicial Pay Raises

Dear Ms. Andrews,

Thank you for the time you gave me this morning to summarize what I will be presenting by formal letter to Temporary Senate President Klein and to the other public officers to whom the Judiciary furnished its proposed budget for fiscal year 2014-2015.

The Center for Judicial Accountability's webpage entitled "SECURING LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT & OVERRIDE of the 2nd & 3rd phases of the judicial pay raises scheduled to take effect APRIL 1, 2013 & APRIL 1, 2014" posts all the relevant documents. Here's the direct link: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/legislative-oversight-judicial-raises.htm>.

As discussed, the most important items for your review in connection with CJA's upcoming opposition to the judiciary's budget for 2014-2015 year are (1) my testimony before the Legislature at its February 6, 2013 joint budget hearing on "public protection"; and (2) CJA's March 11, 2013 letter to the Senate Budget Committee on Public Protection, elaborating and expanding upon my February 6, 2013 testimony, thereafter sent to all legislators and the Governor.

As I was privileged to speak, at length to Senate Majority Counsel Beth Garvey, following my conversation with you, I am sending her a copy of this e-mail so that she can, likewise, get a jump on what will be formally presented by letter.

Thank you.

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