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#### TO: ATTORNEY DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEES OF THE SECOND JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

#### Attorney Disciplinary Committee for the Second, Eleventh & Thirteenth Judicial Districts

Renaissance Plaza 335 Adams Street, Suite 2400 Brooklyn, New York 11201-3745 718-923-6300

RE: Conflict-of-Interest/Misconduct Complaint against:

> Queens County District Attorney Richard Brown Richmond County District Attorney Michael E. McMahon

Office of the Kings County District Attorney

### Attorney Disciplinary Committee for the Ninth Judicial District

Crosswest Office Center 399 Knollwood Road, Suite 200 White Plains, New York 10603 914-824-5070

RE: Conflict-of-Interest/Misconduct Complaint against:

> Dutchess County District Attorney William V. Grady Orange County District Attorney David Hoovler Putnam County District Attorney Robert V. Tendy Rockland County District Attorney Thomas P. Zugibe

Westchester County Acting District Attorney James McCarty

#### Attorney Disciplinary Committee for the Tenth Judicial District

150 Motor Parkway, Suite 102 Hauppauge, New York 11788 631-231-3775

Conflict-of-Interest/Misconduct Complaint against: RE:

> Nassau County District Attorney Madeline Singas Suffolk County District Attorney Thomas J. Spota Former Nassau County District Attorney Kathleen Rice - now U.S. Congresswoman

Attached is the Center for Judicial Accountability's October 14, 2016 conflict-of-interest/misconduct complaint against each of the above district attorneys, acting district attorney, and former district attorney within your geographic jurisdiction. The referred-to substantiating evidence is posted on CJA's website, <a href="https://www.judgewatch.org">www.judgewatch.org</a>, accessible from the prominent center link: "No Pay Raises for New York's Corrupt Public Officers – The Money Belongs to their Victims!", <a href="https://wia.its.#14">via</a> its #14 menu listing "A New Round of Disciplinary & Criminal Complaints".

According to your webpage "How to File a Complaint against a Lawyer", no form is necessary to file a complaint. However, the form available from the webpage requests the office address and phone number for the complained against attorney. They are, as follows:

Queens County District Attorney Richard Brown 125-01 Queens Boulevard Kew Gardens, NY 11415 718-286-6300 rabrown@queensda.org

Richmond County District Attorney Michael E. McMahon 130 Stuyvesant Place 9th Floor, Room 919 Staten Island, NY 10301 718-556-7050 mcmahonda@rcda.nyc.gov

Office of the Kings County District Attorney 350 Jay Street, 19<sup>th</sup> Floor Brooklyn, NY 11201-2908 718-250-2202

Dutchess County District Attorney William V. Grady 236 Main Street Poughkeepsie, NY 12601 845-486-2300

wgrady@co.dutchess.ny.us

Orange County District Attorney David Hoovler 40 Matthews St Goshen, NY 10924 845-291-2050 dhoovler@co.orange.ny.us Putnam County District Attorney Robert V. Tendy 40 Gleneida Avenue Carmel, NY 10512 845-808-1050 Robert. Tendy@putnamda.org

Rockland County District Attorney Thomas P. Zugibe 1 South Main Street, 5th Floor
New City, NY 10956
845-638-5013
zugibet@co.rockland.ny.us

Westchester County Acting District Attorney James McCarty Richard J. Daronco Courthouse
111 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard
White Plains, NY 10601
914-995-4200
jmccarty@westchesterda.net

Nassau County District Attorney Madeline Singas 262 Old Country Road Mineola, NY 11501 516-571-3577 madeline.singas@nassauda.org

Suffolk County District Attorney Thomas J. Spota North County Complex, Building 77 Veterans Memorial Highway Hauppauge, NY 11788 631-853-4169 thomas.spota@suffolkcountyny.gov

Former Nassau County District Attorney Kathleen Rice – now U.S. Congresswoman 300 Garden City Plaza Suite 200 Garden City, NY 11530 516-739-3008

In response to the two questions on your complaint form, those questions, with their answers, are as follows:

#### (1) CONTACT WITH OTHER AGENCIES

Have you contacted any other agency, such as a Bar Association or District Attorney's Office, concerning this matter?

The answer is YES. This identical conflict-of-interest/misconduct complaint is being furnished to the attorney disciplinary committees of the other three judicial departments so that they can address the violations committed by the district attorneys, acting district attorneys, and former district attorneys within their geographic jurisdictions.

Previously, I filed corruption complaints with the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption which raised, as a threshold issue, the conflicts-of-interest of its ten district attorney members. The Commission responded by completely ignoring the conflict-of-interest issue and purporting that the corruption complaints were "outside [its] mandate".

Elona Ross

## (2) COURT ACTION TAKEN BY YOU AGAINST THE ATTORNEY

Have you taken any civil or criminal action against the attorney?

The answer is NO.

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