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TO: NEW YORK MEDIA: EDITORIAL BOARDS & NEWS DEPARTMENTS

FROM: Elena Ruth Sassower, Director Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA)

RE: YOUR UPCOMING EDITORIAL ENDORSEMENTS AND ONGOING ELECTION COVERAGE: The Races for New York Governor, U.S. Senator from New York, and New York Attorney General

This is to bring to your attention – to aid you in both your upcoming editorial endorsements and ongoing election reporting – primary source documentary evidence establishing the unfitness of the Democratic and Republican candidates for Governor, Senator, and Attorney General. Such evidence is posted on the Center for Judicial Accountability's website, <u>www.judgewatch.org</u>, accessible *via* the sidebar panel "Elections 2006: Informing the Voters".

Scroll down the "Elections 2006" webpage to the section entitled "Searching for Champions", posting our correspondence to all Democratic and Republican candidates for Governor: <u>Tom Suozzi and John Faso</u>, for U.S. Senate: <u>Jonathan Tasini, John Spencer, and Kathleen Troia McFarland</u>, and for Attorney General: <u>Andrew Cuomo</u>, <u>Mark Green</u>, <u>Charlie King</u>, <u>Sean Patrick Murphy</u>, and Jeanine Pirro – except for <u>Attorney General Spitzer and Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton</u>, whose corruption in office the correspondence summarizes.

With respect to Attorney General Spitzer, elected in 1998 on a pledge that he was going to clean up government and establish a "public integrity unit", our correspondence summarizes that his "public integrity unit" was a hoax – and that Mr. Spitzer refused to investigate and root out systemic governmental corruption involving a pattern and practice of litigation fraud engaged in by his predecessor Attorneys General in defending state judges and the Commission on Judicial Conduct, sued for corruption – for which they were rewarded with fraudulent judicial decisions. Instead, he engaged in the same litigation fraud to defend the Commission when we sued it for corruption – for which state judges, at every level, rewarded him with fraudulent judicial decisions. In so doing, Attorney General Spitzer not only perpetuated a documentably corrupted Commission on Judicial Conduct, leaving the People of the State of New York defenseless against the most flagrant lawlessness by state judges – including those who "threw" the lawsuit – but perpetuated the corruption of the state judicial appointments process, including "merit selection" to the New York Court of Appeals, which the lawsuit encompassed.

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With respect to Senator Clinton, she not only covered up – and thereby perpetuated – the systemic governmental corruption challenged and chronicled by the documentary record of our lawsuit against the Commission, but, additionally, the corruption of federal judicial selection and discipline. To accomplish this and effectuate a behind-the-scenes political deal seating a corrupt New York Court of Appeals judge on the Second Circuit Court of Appeals, she maliciously set in motion and complicitly acquiesced in my wrongful arrest, prosecution, conviction, and six-month incarceration on a bogus "disruption of Congress" charge. My "crime"? At the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee's public hearing to confirm the judge, I respectfully requested to testify in opposition based on his on-the-bench corruption, as established by the record of our lawsuit against the Commission – a record Senator Clinton was duty-bound to have examined, making findings of fact and conclusions of law.

All the summaries presented by our posted correspondence identify the substantiating primary source documentary evidence – and where it is posted on our website. You can thereby *readily verify* its serious and substantial nature, warranting criminal investigation and prosecution of Attorney General Spitzer and Senator Clinton for corruption.

In presenting this to the other Democratic and Republican candidates, as would-be champions of the public, we requested that they use the opportunity of their candidacy to expose the corruption of these incumbents for the benefit of all New Yorkers. That they did not do so – indeed, that they did not even favor our request for a meeting so that we could answer their questions and provide them with hard copies of the website-posted evidence – preferring instead to mount candidacies made futile by the landslide leads enjoyed by Attorney General Spitzer and Senator Clinton and, in the case of the candidates endeavoring to succeed Mr. Spitzer as Attorney General, extolling him and seeking the mantle of his "greatness" – can only be explained one way. Notwithstanding their posturing and rhetoric about being reformers who are going to "fix Albany" and make government work, they will NOT touch the vested political interests and their friends and patrons involved in the systemic governmental corruption that reaches into and pollutes the judiciary. Such will remain unchanged upon their election – subjecting countless innocent New Yorkers and our state at large to continuing injustice and irreparable injury.

Only the media can make the difference.

We offer you our fullest assistance so that you can discharge your First Amendment responsibilities to the voters by reporting on this powerful election-altering evidence – rather than on polls, financial war chests, political endorsements, and handicapping that have become the standard fare of political reporting, contributing to the demise of competitive elections.

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