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Subject: **Mamdani is a danger to Israel & the Jewish People -- & cannot survive reporting of his corruption as a NYS assemblyman, as the NYT & other NY press know, in reporting nothing about it. HERE's THE ACTION PLAN, consistent with yours --**

Attachments: [mobilizing-8-24-25.pdf](#)

TO: ZIONIST RABBINIC COALITION FOUNDER & CHAIR RABBI STUART WEINBLATT

I am a Jew, Zionist, lived in Israel for four years, and worked for 10 months at the Israel Mission to the UN under Benjamin Netanyahu, who I greatly respect. I am, additionally, director and co-founder of the NY-based nonpartisan, nonprofit citizens' organization [Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. \(CJA\)](#) – and, [for decades](#), have documented the *knowingly false* journalism of [The New York Times](#) and other press pertaining to U.S. governance, specifically relating to judicial selection and discipline on federal and NY state and local levels – essentially paralleling what CAMERA ([Committee for Accuracy in Middle East Reporting and Analysis](#)) and [HonestReporting](#) document about how [The Times](#) and other press report and editorialize about Israel.

These two strands of knowingly false journalism, as to Israel and as to NY state and local governance, have led to the rise of Zohran Mamdani to be NYC's next mayor. The pervasive anti-Israel slanting and defamations of the [NYT](#) and other NY press have given credibility and resonance to Mamdani's anti-Israel, pro-Hamas falsehoods, while, simultaneously, these outlets have concealed, *in toto*, his corruption as a NYS assemblyman, for which he must be indicted and will be convicted – the EVIDENCE of which they have, but do not report. The result of their flagrant election-rigging for Mamdani – including their propagating of polls rigged by their journalism – is that Jewish and pro-Israel communities, among so many others, are dispirited and inhibited from mobilizing against him because of the purported inevitability of his electoral victory in November. **This is catastrophic, as Mamdani can be defeated, easily and without money, simply by the press doing its job of reporting on the EVIDENCE of his**

corruption as a NYS assemblyman, destroying constitutional, lawful state governance and causing vast, irreparable injury to the People of NY.

The Jewish and pro-Israel communities, among others, **MUST be alerted to this** – and, by the above-attached announcement entitled **“SPREAD THE WORD – Mamdani’s Win as NYC Mayor is being Rigged by the NYT & Other NY Press, Concealing his Corruption as a NYS Assemblyman – A Scandal He Cannot Survive”**, I have sought to do just that. On Friday, August 29th, by my below e-mail, I furnished it to [The New York Board of Rabbis](#), whose president, Rabbi Ammiel Hirsch, and corresponding secretary, Rabbi Chaim Steinmetz, are members of [the Zionist Rabbinic Coalition’s Advisory Board](#). As TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE, I am directly forwarding it to you and cc’ing ALL members of the Advisory Board, for distribution to ALL the Coalition’s “over 1,000 rabbis from diverse American congregations...committed to supporting Israel”, for ALL appropriate action. This includes help in securing a favorable response from the [Zionist Organization of America’s Center for Law and Justice](#) and [The Lawfare Project](#), herein cc’d, to my requests to them for assistance in bringing a federal lawsuit against the NYT and such other press as AP for their election-rigging “journalistic fraud” for Mamdani. Here’s my **August 22nd proposal to The Lawfare Project**, which I also furnished to ZOA, outlining the lawsuit and additionally suggesting a separate federal lawsuit by Prime Minister Netanyahu for defamation of himself and Israel, with causes of action for “journalistic fraud” and “institutional reckless disregard for truth”.

Suffice to note that you have repeatedly recognized that it is the press that is largely responsible for the plummeting public support for Israel, including among Jews and rabbis. Three years ago, in the week before Rosh Hashana, in a podcast interview of you by [Jewish News Syndicate](#) Editor-in-Chief Jonathan Toban entitled **“Is it okay for a rabbi to be anti-Israel?”**, posted on the Zionist Rabbinic Coalition’s website, you stated:

“...one of the problems has to do with what are our sources of information. And so much of what American rabbis digest and process comes from The New York Times, which is unabashedly not sympathetic toward Israel, Zionism...” (at 18 mins).

Most recently, in your July 28, 2025 article **“Needed: Rabbis Who Stand Up For Jews”**, you stated:

“The attacks against the Jewish state are fueled by the almost daily barrage of articles and columns in the New York Times and other once respectable outlets harshly critical with negative portrayals of Israel, which are often inaccurate, and often written by Jewish commentators.”

Two days later you placed the media first in the “plan of action” of your July 30th article **“Fighting Antisemitism Before It’s Too Late”**, stating:

“Mainstream media outlets play a significant role in stoking hostility toward Jews and Israel.

...

News outlets must take responsibility for their role in promoting and encouraging antisemitism and hostility towards Israel. We need to demand that they objectively report the truth.”

The Zionist Rabbinic Coalition’s [homepage](#) features both articles, along with the **August 2nd “Moment of Complexity” sermon for Shabbat Devarim** by Advisory Board Member Rabbi Nolan Lebovitz, which,

focusing on the false, defamatory journalism of the NYT and other media that have incited the world against Israel in its just war against Hamas, gives a clarion call for what must be done:

“The mainstream media should do an accounting of its soul. And that’s why moments like this, rooms like this, that were perhaps not intended to be places where news is disseminated, needs to now become transformed into places where truth is spoken in a world where truth does not matter. (at 12 mins.) ...

In a world where truth no longer matters, let us be the group that demands the ascension of the value of truth again. Let us re-establish the preeminence of facts and sources and do the work that reporters in the media are no longer willing to do. May G-d give us the strength...the ability as Jews to...safeguard the truth, especially at this moment. And my G-d always bless and protect the State of Israel and the United States of America.” (at 34 mins).

Neither Israel nor the United Staes can survive the deluge of flagrant falsehoods that are the stock-in-trade of the NYT and other press – and the story of what they have been doing in election-rigging for Mamdani by their *knowingly* false and “fake news” journalism -- the EVIDENCE of which is accessible from my “SPREAD THE WORD” announcement – is its own HUGE scandal that they will not survive. It, too, must be reported – with their *modus operandi* of *knowing* falsehoods and deceits shut down by the federal lawsuit I have here placed before you, with its summary judgement entitlement to massive compensatory and punitive damages.

I am eager to discuss this with you and the rabbis of the Zionist Rabbinic Coalition, individually and collectively, so that a successful action plan can be developed and implemented. I am available, *no matter how early or late*. Please let me hear from you by this Friday, September 5th, before Shabbat.

Thank you.

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Subject: The Jewish & Civic Responsibilities of the NY Board of Rabbis to EVIDENCE of Zohran Mamdani's Corruption as a NYS Assemblyman, Destroying Constitutional, Lawful, State Governance, Unreported by the Press

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I am also co-founder and director of the NY-based nonpartisan, nonprofit citizens' organization [Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. \(CJA\)](#) – and, in that capacity, interacted with Zohran Mamdani, by four e-mails, in 2020, when he was running to be elected as a NYS assemblyman from Queens, and again, this year, by four e-mails in March, when he was running to win the Democratic NYC mayoral primary. Based thereon – and my interaction, by many, many e-mails, with a wide swath of NY press, both before the primary and since – I have been disseminating the above-attached announcement to mobilize NY's Jewish, pro-Israel, and other communities entitled [“SPREAD THE WORD – Mamdani's Win as NYC Mayor is being Rigged by the NYT & Other NY Press, Concealing his Corruption as a NYS Assemblyman – A Scandal He Cannot Survive”](#).

I take the occasion of this [Shabbat Shoftim](#) to respectfully request that you read the one-page announcement and examine its EVIDENTIARY links, from which will be obvious your duty as Jews, citizens, and rabbis to take appropriate action to ensure reporting by the press or by other means of the EVIDENCE of Mamdani's corruption as a NYS assemblyman, involving his knowledge of, and complicity in, the corruption of NY's judiciary, at its highest levels, in colluding with the legislative and executive branches in destroying constitutional, lawful, state governance, of which he has been a direct beneficiary, including by his salary.

As you will be guided by the Torah and our other sacred texts, by modern codes of ethics and civic responsibility largely based thereon, by the foundational documents and laws of our United States and New York State, and by history, I have no doubt that in discussions amongst yourselves, with your Board of Governors, and with the “over 750 rabbis” who are your members, there will be unanimity that doing nothing is NOT an option, individually or collectively.

I am available to answer questions, *no matter how early or late*, and I swear to the truth of the content of my announcement, under penalties of our Torah and perjury.

As TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE, please let me hear from you by next Shabbat.

Thank you.

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