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**Subject:** Verifying the Dispositive Nature of the February 6, 2013 Opposition Testimony to the Judiciary Budget & Judicial Pay Raises

TO: Assembly Judiciary Committee Chair Helene Weinstein  
Assembly Judiciary Committee Ranking Member Tom McKevitt

This follows up my phone messages last week and today requesting to speak with the counsel with whom you work on Judiciary Committee matters. I was told that such counsel are, respectively, Nadia Gareb (518-455-5462) and Emily Donovan (518-455-4285) – and I left messages for them (as well as for Sarah Beaver, Senator Weinstein’s Legislative Director). The two most important questions that I indicated in my messages for Nadia Gareb and Emily Donovan were, respectively:

- (1) Who, on behalf of the Assembly Judiciary Committee’s Democratic Majority and Republican Minority is reviewing the documents I handed up and to which I referred at the February 6, 2013 budget hearing on “Public Protection” in support of my testimony in opposition to the Judiciary’s budget and, in particular, to the judicial salary increases?;
- (2) When will the Assembly Judiciary Committee’s Democratic Majority and Republican Minority publicly release their findings of fact and conclusions of law with respect to their review of those documents and my testimony?

The video of the February 6, 2013 hearing on “Public Protection” is posted on the Center for Judicial Accountability’s website, [www.judgewatch.org](http://www.judgewatch.org), accessible *via* the top panel “Latest News”, whose first hyperlink is to our webpage “Securing Legislative Oversight & Override of the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Phases of the Judicial Pay Raises...”. The webpage also contains all the documents I handed up and referred-to during my testimony, as well as other substantiating materials. For your convenience, here’s the direct link: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/legislative-oversight-judicial-raises.htm> .

Please advise as to how many majority and minority counsel work on Assembly Judiciary Committee matters, as well as the dollar appropriations received for Assembly Judiciary Committee operations – majority and minority – in fiscal year 2012-2013 and requested for fiscal year 2013-2014.

Thank you.

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