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Subject: Request to Testify at the July 20, 2011 Public Hearing & Other Requests on Behalf of the Public

Attachments: open-meetings-7-11-11.pdf

The non-partisan, non-profit citizens' organization, Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA), whose correspondence to the Judicial Compensation Commission called upon it to hold "public hearings", hereby requests to testify at the July 20, 2011 public hearing in STRONG OPPOSITION to <u>any</u> raise in judicial compensation for the reasons set forth by that correspondence, dated May 23, 2011, June 23, 2011, and June 30, 2011.

So that the public may be informed as to how the Judicial Compensation Commission has been - and is -- flagrantly deceiving it and betraying its interests, this is to further request that the Commission post on its new website, <a href="www.judicialcompensation.ny.gov">www.judicialcompensation.ny.gov</a>, ALL submissions it has received, especially submissions in opposition to increased judicial compensation --- CJA's afforesaid correspondence, among them.

Should the Commission refuse to post such received submissions on its website, CJA requests to review and obtain copies, preferably in pdf format, pursuant to FOIL and such other applicable legal authority. We will then post the submissions on our website, <a href="https://www.judgewatch.org">www.judgewatch.org</a> — on the resource page entitled "Bringing Transparency, Evidence, & Public Accountability to the One-Sided, Media-Created View (Swallowed Whole from the Legal Judicial-Establishment) that NY Judges are Underpaid & Entitled to a Raise"), identified by our June 23, 2011 letter. Here's the direct link to that webpage: <a href="http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/nys-judicial-compensation.htm">http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/nys-judicial-compensation.htm</a>.

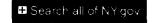
Finally, so that the public is not misled about the "public" nature of the Commission's first organizational meeting, held yesterday, July 11, 2011, at 9:00 am -- without notice to CJA -- this is to request, pursuant to FOIL, etc., any documents reflecting the date and manner in which the Commission gave notice to the public of the meeting, a copy of such notice, and the recipients to whom the notice was given. Indeed, although CJA alerted the Commission, by our June 30,

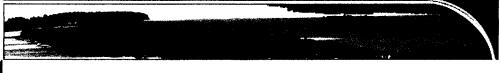
2011 letter, that "New York State has a website for meeting notices and webcasts -- <a href="http://www.nysegov.com/webcast.cfm">http://www.nysegov.com/webcast.cfm</a>", the Commission did not post notice of its July 11, 2011 meeting thereon. A pdf of that website, downloaded at 12:41 pm yesterday, memorializes that fact. It is herewith attached and additionally posted on our website, together with this e-mail.

Thank you.

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## **Open Meeting Webcasts**

Locate: By Date By Agency

2011 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

**07/07/2011** Banking Board Meeting (July 2011)

07/07/2011 DOH - New York State Immunization Advisory Council Meeting - 1:00 PM (Live)

07/07/2011 DCJS - Juvenile Justice Advisory Group (July2011)

07/08/2011 DOH - Minority Health Council Meeting - 10:00 AM (Live)

07/11/2011 Local Government Assistance Corporation Board Meeting - 11:00 AM

07/13/2011 SUNY Construction Fund Board of Trustees Meeting - 11 AM (Live)

07/14/2011 NYS Public Service Commission Session (Live)

07/14/2011 NYS EFC Board of Directors Meeting 11:30 AM (Live)
July

07/14/2011 NYS HCR Board Meetings for HFA, AHC, and SONYMA

07/18/2011 NYSTA/CC - Board Meeting (LIVE)

07/18/2011 NYSTA/CC - Finance Committee Meeting (LIVE)

07/19/2011 SCOC - July 2011 Commission Mtg 11am (Live)

07/19/2011 WCB - July 2011 Monthly Meeting of the Workers' Compensation Board

07/20/2011 Division of Budget - Public Authorities Control Board - 2 PM (Live)

07/20/2011 NYS Insurance Fund Board of Commissioners Meeting (LIVE)

07/21/2011 NYSDOT- Public Transportation Safety Board (PTSB) - live

07/21/2011 DCS - NYS Civil Service Commission Meeting - 10:00 am (Live)

07/21/2011 Cemetery Board Meeting

07/25/2011 2011 NYS Financial Control Board Public Meeting

07/27/2011 Dormitory Authority Monthly Board Meeting

## 07/29/2011 OMH - MHSC Prior Review Committee - July 29th 10:00 am (live)

State Agencies are responsible for the posting and maintenance of webcast links on this page. More information about webcasting requirements and posting procedures can be found at: <a href="Executive Order 3">Executive Order 3</a> - Open Meetings page.

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