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Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 10:38 AM
To: 'Dias, James A'
Cc: 'rhamm@albany.edu'; 'Duckor, Judith'
Subject: Thank you -- RE: Your request

Will be in touch – and, in fact, am just e-mailing President Malatras now.

Thank you, again.

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From: Dias, James A [mailto:jdias@albany.edu]
Sent: Thursday, July 20, 2017 10:33 AM
To: elena@judgewatch.org
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Subject: Your request

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Dear Ms. Sassower,

In regard to your request below, a quick scan that I performed revealed that the information you are seeking is available from our website. Some examples include Dr. Julie Novkov (Rockefeller College) and Dr. Laura Wittern-Keller (College of Arts and Sciences). There are probably others. For example Richard Hamm the Chair of History, is a scholar in history of law and the History Departments recent Conference on Researching New York, featured the Nelson A. Rockefeller Institute of Government and the Albany Law School, as they explored the implications of the 2017 vote on whether to hold a Constitutional Convention in New York State. The [Conference](#) is annual. [Dr. Hamm](#) may be of further assistance.

1. CONSTITUTIONAL LAW POLITICAL SCIENCE 426/526; Professor: [Julie Novkov](#), E-mail: jnovkov@albany.edu
2. 295/TPOS 295: the American Constitution the Supreme Court [Dr. Laura Wittern-Keller](#) Class # 10006 /10007
Office: Social Science 60E BB-B005; LWittern@albany.edu
3. The University Library and the Dewey Graduate Library of Public Affairs and Policy both contain substantial collections of primary and secondary material for legal research. A [general description of the law collections](#) is available here.

In addition The [Rockefeller Institute for Government](#) was the Institute at UAlbany which would have come to mind. However that Insitute move from the University at Albany to SUNY Central and so it is no longer listed on our list of Centers, Institutes and Specialized Laboratories. However as a Centralized Institute, it does draw on SUNY experts, and I would recommend that you speak to its new Director, Dr. Jim Malatras.

Best regards,
Jim Dias

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) [<mailto:elena@judgewatch.org>]
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Subject: Research on the NYS Constitution & NYS Governance

TO: Judith Duckor/Secretary to Vice-President for Research James Dias—SUNY/Albany

Following up our phone conversation a short time ago, I appreciate your assistance in locating where on SUNY/Albany's website is information as to any SUNY/Albany division/institute/center of research on the New York State Constitution and/or New York state governance. Is there none? I cannot find anything via the webpage: "Finding a Research Center, Institute, or Lab" -- <http://www.albany.edu/research/research-centers.php>.

Can you help me in locating SUNY/Albany's scholars who research, write, and teach on these key areas? Who are the scholars with expertise on the New York State budget – Article VII, §§1-7 of the New York State Constitution. And can you help me locate such scholars at SUNY's other schools, as well?

Thank you.

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