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**Sent:** Monday, October 20, 2025 2:19 PM  
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**Subject:** **NOTICE OF LAWSUIT -- Your Rigging of the 2025 NYC & Orange County Elections, & Other Violations of Your First Amendment Responsibilities, Journalistic Codes, & Legal Obligations**

**Attachments:** [3-14-25-email-to-mamdani.pdf](#);  
[9-4-25-news-tip-alert.pdf](#);  
[mobilizing-8-24-25.pdf](#);  
[cja-complaint-oct-8-2025-corrected.pdf](#);  
[cja-10-16-25-ltr-to-us-attorney-halligan.pdf](#)

**TO:** [STRAUS NEWS](#)

**New York City voters, Orange County voters, and the People of the State of New York are not without remedy for what you – and your fellow press – have been doing, in rigging the 2025 elections by your corruption-abetting, knowingly false, “fake news” journalism – and I have taken the first steps to secure those remedies.**

Above-attached, in addition to the three attachments furnished by my below September 22<sup>nd</sup> e-mail to you entitled “NOTICE TO STRAUS MEDIA's LEGAL COUNSEL: Your NYC election journalism, RIGGING Mamdani's electoral win -- & other top races in NYC & NYS”, to which I received no response, are [CJA's October 8<sup>th</sup> verified complaint in a federal lawsuit against 25 press defendants](#) and [October 16<sup>th</sup> letter to the U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia](#). CJA's webpage for these, and it includes my e-mails to the press defendants about them, is [here](#).

As stated in the caption of the October 8<sup>th</sup> verified complaint, the 25 defendants are “*representative of other New York & national media*”.

This is to give you NOTICE that, prior to serving the October 8<sup>th</sup> verified complaint, which I have not yet done, I am contemplating amending it to include additional “*representative*” defendants, such as [Straus News](#). Based on your reporting of the 2025 NYC and Orange County elections – and of prior elections, such as in 2020, which is when [I first alerted you to what was going on](#) – can you give me any reason why I should not do so?

Please have your legal counsel promptly contact me about this so that I may be guided accordingly – and, in any event, please furnish me with his/her name, e-mail address, and phone number.

Thank you.

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**Subject: NOTICE TO STRAUS MEDIA's LEGAL COUNSEL: Your NYC election journalism, RIGGING Mamdani's electoral win -- & other top races in NYC & NYS**

**TO:** [NY PRESS – STRAUS MEDIA](#)

I have received no response to my below July 30<sup>th</sup> e-mail whose title asked “Will you be reporting on Mamdani's corruption as a NYS assemblyman -- &, likewise, the corruption of NYS Senator Hoylman-Sigal & other Democratic NYC primary winners?”. Nor has there been any reporting of same.

Why is that? Is there anything about my July 30<sup>th</sup> e-mail, with its above-attached March 14<sup>th</sup> e-mail to Mamdani “ELECTIONS ARE A TIME OF ACCOUNTABILITY...”, that did not check out 100%?, other than that re-election-seeking Brooklyn D.A. Gonzalez faced NO primary challenges for the Democratic and Working Families party lines on which he is running – and has NO opponent in the general election.

To further assist you in discharging your First Amendment responsibilities and journalistic duties, I am additionally attaching and here-linking two comparable summaries of the open-and-shut, *prima facie* EVIDENCE of Mamdani's corruption as a NYS assemblyman, reflecting what you have had, but not reported – with knowledge that it is dispositive that Mamdani cannot be elected NYC mayor because he must be indicted and will be convicted, with similar consequences for other candidates on the 2025 ballots for top NYC and NYS offices:

- **NEWS TIP/ALERT:** “Mamdani Can't Be Elected NYC Mayor, Because He Must Be Indicted & Will Be Convicted of Corruption, as a NYS Assemblyman” (Sept 4<sup>th</sup>);
- **“MOBILIZING NEW YORK'S JEWISH, PRO-ISRAEL & OTHER COMMUNITIES” announcement:** “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” (August 24<sup>th</sup>).

Take your pick.

By the way, the 2025 Brooklyn D.A. “election”, which Brooklyn D.A. Gonzalez has already “won”, resembles a great many others in NYC and throughout NYS, thanks to the corruption of NYS governance, especially by the NYS Legislature, which does NOT operate at a constitutional level, remotely. In that connection, D.A. Gonzalez has been “sitting on” my [June 9, 2020 grand jury/public corruption complaint against Brooklyn state legislators](#) – materially-identical to my [June 9, 2020 grand jury/public corruption complaint against Queens state legislators](#) that Queens D.A. Katz has been “sitting on” – the SOLE attachment to my March 14<sup>th</sup> e-mail to Mamdani. On top of this, both D.A. Gonzalez and D.A. Katz, along with their 60 fellow D.A.s of NYS' 60 other counties – re-election-seeking Manhattan D.A. Bragg, among them – have been “sitting on” my [July 18, 2024 grand jury/public corruption complaint against ALL state legislators](#). D.A. Gonzalez, together with D.A. Bragg have also been “sitting on” my [March 3, 2025 grand jury/public corruption complaint](#), which, by my [March 27, 2025 grand jury/public corruption complaint](#), I expanded to include ALL state legislators. Needless to say, the most electorally-significant of the “ALL state legislators” is Mamdani and, for Manhattan voters, NYS Senator Hoylman-Sigal, who has already

“won” election as Manhattan borough president, on [Democratic and Working Families lines](#), as the opposition [Republican candidate](#) and so-called [Unity Party candidate](#) are sham.

If you are not going to report on this EVIDENCE – and the above grand jury/public corruption complaints are an excellent place to start, as the corruption of NYC’s five D.A.s brings down re-election-seeking incumbent NYC Public Advocate Jumaane Williams, running on [Democratic and Working Families lines](#) – please identify the reason and IMMEDIATELY forward this e-mail to your legal counsel, whose name and contact information I request.

As always, I am available to answer your questions.

Thank you.

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**Subject: NYC ELECTIONS: Will you be reporting on Mamdani's corruption as a NYS assemblyman -- &, likewise, the corruption of NYS Senator Hoylman-Sigal & other Democratic NYC primary winners?**

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Will you be reporting on Mamdani’s corruption as a NYS assemblyman, involving the state budget and his pocketing of pay raises for himself that he knew to be fraudulent? The EVIDENCE is furnished by my [March 14<sup>th</sup> e-mail to Mamdani](#) entitled “ELECTIONS ARE A TIME OF ACCOUNTABILITY”, which opened as follows.

“Elections are a time of accountability. Based on your on-the-job performance as a state assemblyman, why do you believe yourself fit to be mayor of New York City – or for any office of public trust?”.

Mamdani did not respond – and I sent the March 14<sup>th</sup> e-mail to him a second time, with a supplement, by a [March 17<sup>th</sup> email](#), and then a third time, when I cc'd him on my [March 18<sup>th</sup> e-mail](#) to the roster of reporters of the Legislative Correspondents Association (LCA), and then a fourth time, when I cc'd him on my [March 20<sup>th</sup> e-mail](#) to [The New York Times](#), [New York Post](#), [Daily News](#), [New York Law Journal](#), [Wall Street Journal](#), and [Associated Press](#). Thereafter, I sent the LCA reporters two additional e-mails, on [April 7<sup>th</sup>](#) and [April 18<sup>th</sup>](#), as to what was unfolding pertaining to the FY2025-26 state budget.

Will you be getting Mamdani's response to the March 14<sup>th</sup> "ELECTIONS ARE A TIME OF ACCOUNTABILITY" e-mail? Isn't it obvious that it – and his votes, seven weeks later, approving the FY2025-26 budget bills – establish that he cannot be elected NYC mayor because he must be indicted for larceny and corruption – and that he will be convicted? Why don't you confirm that fact with [former Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of New York Jim Walden](#), running for mayor as an Independent candidate, with an [anti-corruption policy platform featured on his campaign website](#). By the way, are you aware that [Mamdani's campaign website contains no anti-corruption platform](#)?

Also, will you be reporting on the corruption of other NYC Democratic primary winners, such as NYS Senator Brad Hoylman-Sigal, running for Manhattan borough president. The EVIDENCE of his corruption as a NYS senator is furnished by my [March 16<sup>th</sup> e-mail](#) to him, likewise entitled "ELECTIONS ARE A TIME OF ACCOUNTABILITY..." – part of my [March 18<sup>th</sup>](#) and [March 20<sup>th</sup> e-mails](#) to which both Mamdani and Hoylman-Sigal were cc'd.

Finally, if it is not your intention to report on the corruption of NYS legislators Mamdani and Hoylman-Sigal – and of NYC Democratic primary winner-incumbents [NYC Public Advocate Jumanne Williams, Manhattan D.A. Alvin Bragg](#), and [Brooklyn D.A. Eric Gonzalez](#) – notwithstanding the EVIDENCE is *prima facie*, open-and-shut, as to ALL FIVE – please identify the reason, and as immediately as possible, as TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE, obviously.

I am available to answer questions.

Thank you.

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