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Sent: Friday, August 26, 2022 1:51 PM

To: 'AHart@council.nyc.gov'

Subject: INVESTIGATION & OVERSIGHT REQUIRED: NYC Conflicts of Interest Board,

NYC Dept. of Investigations, NYC Public Advocate Jumaane Williams, & NYC's

5 District Attorneys

Attachments: 8-8-22-email-auto-yeger.pdf

TO: Alexander Hart, Chief of Staff to Council Member Ung

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss with you the below, which I believe to be within the jurisdiction of the <u>Committee on Governmental Operations</u>, chaired by Council Member Ung.

The direct link to CJA's webpage for Public Advocate Jumaane Williams – and the record of the May 3, 2021 conflict-of-interest/corruption complaint against NYC's 5 D.A.s that I filed with him that gave rise to my May 17, 2021 complaint against him to the NYC Department of Investigation and Conflicts of Interest Board that I showed you is here: https://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/district-attorneys/nyc-public-advocate.htm.

Please confirm that this e-mail is sufficient for initiating investigation and oversight by the Committee on Governmental Operations – and, in particular, pertaining to the flagrant violations of the City Charter by the Office of NYC Public Advocate under Jumaane Williams.

Again, thank you.

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Subject: INVESTIGATION & OVERSIGHT REQUIRED: NYC Conflicts of Interest Board, NYC Dept. of Investigations, NYC Public Advocate Jumaane Williams, & NYC's 5 District Attorneys

TO: Iva Kaci, Legislative Director to Council Member Yeger

Following up our phone conversation this morning – for which I thank you -- the <u>Committee on Standards and Ethics</u> that Council Member Yeger chairs – and which "has jurisdiction over New York City's Conflicts of Interest Board" – must discharge oversight over the Conflicts of Interest Board, as it is corrupt – flagrantly violating conflicts of interest rules and protocols with regard to FULLY-

DOCUMENTED complaints filed with it, involving and implicating those with whom its members and staff have professional and personal relationships.

The same is true of the New York City Department of Investigation with which the Conflicts of Interest Board is partnered – and jurisdiction over it belongs to the <u>Committee on Oversight and Investigations</u>, chaired by <u>Council Member Brewer</u>, of which Council Member Yeger is a member.

The corruption of these two vital NYC public integrity entities – the product of their flagrant violation of conflicts-of-interest rules – is evidenced by the record of the May 17, 2021 conflict-of-interest/corruption complaint I filed with both of them against New York City Public Advocate Jumaane Williams and New York City's five district attorneys. As I showed you, the record is accessible from CJA's website, www.judgewatch.org, via the left side panel "Searching for Champions-NYS". The direct link to the combined webpage for the "New York City Department of Investigation & Conflicts of Interest Board", posting the record of my May 17, 2021 complaint and of my June 28, 2021 complaint based thereon against the Conflicts of Interest Board and Department of Investigation and filed with them is here: https://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/district-attorneys/NYC/nyc-doi-coib.htm.

In addition to the Committee on Standards and Ethics and the Committee on Oversight and Investigations, I believe the <u>Committee on Governmental Operations</u> also has a role to play – and especially with regard to the corruption and politicization of the Office of Public Advocate under Jumaane Williams, presented by my May 17, 2021 complaint. <u>Council Member Ung</u> chairs that Committee, of which Council Member Brewer is a member.

Please confirm that this e-mail is sufficient for initiating investigation and oversight by the Committee on Standards and Ethics. I am available to answer questions and to appear before the Committee, including under oath.

Finally, below is my August 10th e-mail to you, which you had asked me to send again, as it had not reached you because I had made an error in your e-mail address. I'm glad we could figure out the mystery of what had happened to it.

Thank you.

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Sent: Wednesday, August 10, 2022 2:47 PM **To:** 'ikci@council.nyc.gov' < ikci@council.nyc.gov >

Subject: Opposition to Confirmation of Milton Williams, Jr. as chair of NYC Conflicts of Interest Board - Request to Testify

TO: Iva Kaci, Legislative Director to Council Member Yeger

Per my just-concluded phone conversation with your community liaison, Linda Pillcorema, (718-853-2704), I am forwarding to you my below e-mail, sent on Monday, by way of follow-up to the above-attached auto-acknowledgment I received.

I look forward to speaking with you.

Thank you.

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Sent: Monday, August 8, 2022 10:09 AM

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Subject: Opposition to Confirmation of Milton Williams, Jr. as chair of NYC Conflicts of Interest Board - Request to Testify

TO: New York City Council

RE: Mayor Adams' August 5, 2022 press release of his nomination of Milton Williams, Jr. to chair the New York City Conflicts of Interest Board, which must be "presented to the New York City Council for its advice and consent", I have already left a voice mail message at the phone number listed on the Mayor's press release (212-788-2958) that the Mayor must withdraw the nomination of Mr. Williams by reason of his public corruption and requesting a call back — and have, additionally, left a voice mail message at phone numbers I found for the City Council on the internet, 212-788-7100 and, prior thereto, at 212-788-6960, requesting a call back and to testify in opposition to Mr. Williams' nomination, presumably to be the subject of a hearing to be held by the City Council's relevant committees, seemingly, its Committee on Standards and Ethics, chaired by Member Kalman Yeger, its Committee on Oversight and Investigations, chaired by Member Gale Brewer, and its Committee on Governmental Operations, chaired by Member Sandra Ung, all herein included on this e-mail.

Please have someone call me back on this.

Thank you.

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