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Subject:	Sept. 7, 2022 Hearing of the Rules Committee Opposition to Confirmation of Milton Williams, Jr., Esq. & Anthony Crowell, Esq. to Offices of Public Trust

### TO: Jeffrey Campagna, Esq./Senior Counsel and Parliamentarian/ Office of the General Counsel of the New York City Council (212-482-5438)

Following up our 25-minute phone conversation a short time ago, upon my phoning you regarding my below August 26<sup>th</sup> e-mail to you, here's the webpage I created pertaining to Milton Williams, Jr.'s corruption arising from his flagrant disregard for, and violation of, conflict-of-interest rules and protocols as: (1) co-chair of the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption; (2) member of the Commission on Statewide Attorney Discipline; and (3) vice-chair of the First Department Attorney Grievance Committee: <u>https://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/commission-to-investigate-public-corruption/afterlife-members/williams-milton.htm</u>.

Further down on that webpage, you will find posted my three August 26<sup>th</sup> e-mails to the offices of Standards & Ethics Committee Chair Yeger (<u>here</u>), Governmental Operations Committee Chair Ung (<u>here</u>), and Oversight & Investigations Committee Chair Brewer (<u>here</u>), each identically-titled "INVESTIGATION & OVERSIGHT REQUIRED: NYC Conflicts of Interest Board, NYC Dept. of Investigation, NYC Public Advocate Jumaane Williams, & NYC's 5 District Attorneys" – furnishing each office with links to the substantiating evidence. I have not heard back from any of the three, not a good sign.

At the bottom of the webpage, you will find a link for CJA's webpage pertaining to Anthony Crowell's corruption arising from his flagrant disregard for, and violation of, conflict-of-interest rules and protocols as (1) member of the JCOPE/LEC Review Commission; (2) member of the NYC Conflicts of Interest Board; and (3) chair of the "independent review committee" for the new Commission on Ethics and Lobbying in Government, established by the "ethics commission reform act of 2022" that wiped out JCOPE. The direct link to that webpage is here: <u>https://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/celg/crowell.htm</u>.

I am available to assist you and other attorneys of the general counsel's office in guiding the committees of the NYC Council as to the public integrity, oversight, and "advise and consent" duties for which they are paid. Meantime, I am *cc*'ing Rules Committee Chair Powers on this e-mail, as well as the offices of Chairs Yeger, Ung, and Brewer, with invitations that they contact me directly as to the foregoing.

Thank you.

Elena Sassower, Director Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <u>www.judgewatch.org</u> 914-421-1200 <u>elena@judgewatch.org</u>

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <<u>elena@judgewatch.org</u>>
Sent: Friday, August 26, 2022 10:21 AM
To: 'jcampagna@council.nyc.gov' <<u>jcampagna@council.nyc.gov</u>>

Subject: Sept. 7, 2022 Hearing of the Rules Committee -- Opposition to Confirmation of Milton Williams, Jr. to NYC Conflicts of Interest Board, etc.

### TO: Jeffrey Campagna, Esq./Senior Counsel and Parliamentarian/Office of the General Counsel of the New York City Council

Belated thank you for your August 15<sup>th</sup> return call of the Friday, August 12<sup>th</sup> voice mail message I left at the Office of Rules Committee Chair Keith Powers (212-788-7393) concerning my request to testify in opposition to the confirmation of Milton Williams, Jr as chair of the New York City Conflicts of Interest Board.

As you instructed me, I checked the City Council's schedule of hearings – and yesterday <u>registered via</u> <u>the website</u>, upon seeing that a September 7<sup>th</sup> hearing on the confirmation had been scheduled by the Rules Committee.

I would like to discuss with you the meaning of "preconsidered", which appears on the <u>agenda for the</u> <u>September 7<sup>th</sup> meeting</u>, beside the entry for Mr. Williams and the other appointees – and there is another appointee against whom I also wish to testify in opposition.

I have just left a voice mail message for you (212-428-5438) about this – and would appreciate a return call, at your convenience.

BTW, below is my August 11<sup>th</sup> e-mail to Mr. Ettricks that I had mentioned to you when we spoke.

Thank you.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <<u>elena@judgewatch.org</u>> Sent: Thursday, August 11, 2022 11:59 AM To: 'jettricks@council.nyc.gov' <<u>jettricks@council.nyc.gov</u>>

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

### TO: Jonathan Ettricks/Director of Legislative Documents for the New York City Council

Thank you for your phone call me to me a short time ago, returning the voice message I left at 212-788-7100, on Monday – and advising me that hearings on appointments requiring the advice and consent of the City Council are held by the <u>Rules Committee</u>, chaired by Council Member Keith Powers.

As discussed, I would appreciate your following up on why there appears to be no telephone number for the City Council, posted on its website: <u>https://council.nyc.gov/</u>. This is why I had to hunt for it on the internet – with obviously incorrect results. The first number I found, 212-788-6960, was answered by a voice recording stating: "Diana Aya is not available. Record your message at the tone". This was so perplexing that I then hunted some more and found 212-788-7100, which – as I have now confirmed upon calling it again -- is answered by a recording stating it is the City Council's Legislative Documents Unit. It is for this reason that I thereafter sent the below e-mail to <u>correspondence@council.nyc.gov</u>, which I had found – and to the chairs of the three City Council committees that I believed would be involved in the confirmation hearing.

Again, thank you for your help.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <<u>elena@judgewatch.org</u>>
Sent: Monday, August 8, 2022 10:09 AM
To: 'correspondence@council.nyc.gov' <<u>correspondence@council.nyc.gov</u>>;
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<<u>district6@council.nyc.gov</u>>; 'District20@council.nyc.gov' <<u>District20@council.nyc.gov</u>>;

# 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: <u>Mayor Adams' August 5, 2022 press release</u> 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 <u>Committee on Standards and Ethics</u>, chaired by Member Kalman Yeger, its <u>Committee on Oversight and</u> <u>Investigations</u>, chaired by Member Gale Brewer, and its <u>Committee on Governmental Operations</u>, 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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