



December 7, 2016

Via Email: elena@judgewatch.org

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Dear Ms. Sassower:

This letter responds to your correspondence dated October 31, 2016, which pursuant to FOIL, requested:

Enclosed are the February 2, 2005 New York Times article "*For Budget Talk, 3 Men in Room Are Joined by a Crowd*" pertaining to the February 1, 2005 meeting convened by then Governor Pataki, inviting the Senate and Assembly majority and minority leaders "to discuss the budget in public" - and, on the same topic, the February 2, 2005 New York Daily News article "*Finally, Five Men in a Well-Lit Room*".

. . . request is made for records relating to such meeting - particularly videos and transcriptions of the meeting.

Please be advised that the New York State Executive Chamber has conducted a diligent search but does not possess records responsive to your request. However, you may want to contact the New York State Archives.

Pursuant to Public Officers Law § 89(4)(a), you have thirty (30) days to take a written appeal of this determination. You may make an appeal by writing: FOIL Appeals Officer, Executive Chamber, State Capitol, Albany, New York, 12224.

Very truly yours,

Lauren Grasso
FOIL Counsel
Records Access Officer