

May 5, 2016

Via Email: <u>elena@judgewatch.org</u> Elena Sassower Center for Judicial Accountability P.O. Box 8101 White Plains, NY 10602

Dear Ms. Sassower:

This letter responds to your correspondence dated April 5, 2016, which pursuant to FOIL, requested:

Governor Cuomo's "messages of necessity" relating to the budget bills for fiscal year 2016-2017.

We have performed a diligent search for the records you requested and have located twenty-nine (29) pages that respond to your FOIL request. The pages are being provided to you electronically. They are attached to the email transmitting this letter.

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,

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