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Sent: Wednesday, February 16, 2022 1:05 PM
To: 'foil@ig.ny.gov'; 'Steve.DelGiaccio@ig.ny.gov'
Cc: 'inspector.general@ig.ny.gov'; 'INTAKEUNIT'
Subject: superseding FOIL: (1) IG Lang's written testimony/statements to the Senate Committee on Ethics & Internal Governance; (2) records pertaining to CJA's Nov. 2, 2021 complaint to IG Lang; (3) names of IG Lang's executive & managerial staff & salaries
Attachments: 11-2-21-complaints-inspector-general-corrected.pdf

TO: Stephen Del Giacco/Records Access Officer for New York State Inspector General Lucy Lang

Please supersede my yesterday's FOIL request with this. Inadvertently, the chain of my substantiating e-mails at the bottom of my yesterday's FOIL request did not include my December 7, 2021 e-mail with my above complaint – to which I have received no response.

Apologies for any inconvenience.

Thank you.

Elena Sassower

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Pursuant to FOIL (Public Officers Law VI "Freedom of Information Law"), this is to request:

- (1) any written testimony/statement submitted by Inspector General Lang to the Senate Committee on Ethics and Internal Governance prior to, for, or any time since its [December 9, 2021 hearing on "New York State's system of ethics oversight and enforcement"](#);
- (2) the case numbers assigned to my above-attached November 2, 2021 complaint to Inspector General Lang, consisting of six inter-related complaints – whose receipt by the IG's office is reflected by my below November 3, 2021 e-mail and as to which I received no subsequent communication, including of disposition – including in response to my below December 7, 2021 e-mail entitled "STATUS? Protocol? -- CJA's Nov. 2, 2021 complaint to NYS Inspector General Lucy Lang -- sent Nov. 2, 2021 at 5:55 pm via website: <https://ig.ny.gov/form/complaint-form-long>";
- (3) all records pertaining to the "professional manner" in which the IG's office has handled my November 2, 2021 complaint, consistent with its [Policy and Procedure Manual \(Policy # 0101\)](#);
- (4) all records reflecting the names of the members of the "Case Review Panel" who, along with Inspector General Lang, would have been furnished with my November 2, 2021 complaint and whose discussions and determinations "as to actions to be taken" would be documented by "[t]he CMU Chief or CMU-designated staff" as an "entry into OIG's case management system", according to the IG's [Policy and Procedure Manual \(Policy # 0101\)](#);

- (5) all records reflecting whether my November 2, 2021 complaint was reported to “the secretary to the governor”, pursuant to [Executive Law §52.3](#) or otherwise;
- (6) records identifying the names of Inspector General Lang’s:
- (a) “Executive Deputy Inspector General”;
 - (b) “Chief Deputy Inspector General”;
 - (c) “Deputy Inspectors General”;
 - (d) “Chief, Case Management Unit”;
 - (e) “Chief Investigators”;
 - (f) “Special Deputy for Communications and External Affairs”;
 - (g) “Chief Counsel”;
- (7) all records reflecting the salaries that NYS taxpayers are paying Inspector General Lang and her above executive and managerial staff to “fulfill the duties and responsibilities of office” ([Executive Law § 54.7](#)).

Thank you.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org>
Sent: Tuesday, December 7, 2021 3:05 PM
To: inspector.general@ig.ny.gov; 'INTAKEUNIT' <emailreply@ig.ny.gov>

Subject: STATUS? Protocol? -- CJA's Nov. 2, 2021 complaint to NYS Inspector General Lucy Lang -- sent Nov. 2, 2021 at 5:55 pm via website: <https://ig.ny.gov/form/complaint-form-long>

TO: Office of the New York State Inspector General

It is now over a month since I filed my FULLY-DOCUMENTED November 2, 2021 complaint – and I have received no written acknowledgment, nor assigned numbers for it. Nor have I received any phone call from any investigative staff with any questions about the complaint. The first and only phone call I received – responding to a phone message I had left -- was on November 3rd, as recounted by the below. Is this your normal and customary protocol?

Above attached is a further correction of the complaint, making no substantive changes, but simply eliminating a few typos. It also adds a few additional record citations, as, for instance, to footnote 1. This superseding complaint is already posted on CJA’s EVIDENTIARY webpage for the complaint here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/ny-inspector-general-11-2-21-complaints.htm>

Again, please advise as to the complaint's status – and your normal and customary protocol.

Thank you.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org>
Sent: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 10:19 AM
To: 'inspector.general@ig.ny.gov' <inspector.general@ig.ny.gov>; 'INTAKEUNIT' <emailreply@ig.ny.gov>
Subject: **Corrected --complaint to NYS Inspector General Lucy Lang -- sent Nov. 2, 2021 at 5:55 pm via website:** <https://ig.ny.gov/form/complaint-form-long>

TO: Office of the New York State Inspector General

Per my brief conversation a short time ago with Senior Investigative Assistant Sharon Gagliardi, who returned my phone message – and, while we spoke, accessed the complaint I had filed *via* your website at 5:55 pm yesterday – the above-attached makes a few mostly typographic corrections to the complaint attached to the below e-mail I thereafter sent at 6:09 pm. The only substantive change is the addition, at page 20, of a reference and link to my live testimony at the Legislature's [February 10, 2021 budget hearing](#) – as part of my complaint against the Division of the Budget and Budget Director Mujica.

The corrected complaint is already posted on CJA's EVIDENTIARY webpage, here:
<http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/ny-inspector-general-11-2-21-complaints.htm>

Thank you.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org>
Sent: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 6:09 PM
To: 'inspector.general@ig.ny.gov' <inspector.general@ig.ny.gov>; 'INTAKEUNIT' <emailreply@ig.ny.gov>
Subject: **complaint to NYS Inspector General Lucy Lang -- sent Nov. 2, 2021 at 5:55 pm via website:** <https://ig.ny.gov/form/complaint-form-long>

TO: Office of the New York State Inspector General

Below is the message I sent fifteen minutes ago, *via* your user-unfriendly webpage for filing complaints. Above-attached is my complaint, which is a series of inter-related complaints, set forth in a letter of today's date addressed to Inspector General Lucy Lang.

The direct link to CJA's EVIDENTIARY webpage for the November 2, 2021 letter-complaint is here:
<http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/ny-inspector-general-11-2-21-complaints.htm>.

Thank you.

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From: Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. (CJA) <elena@judgewatch.org>

Sent: Tuesday, November 2, 2021 5:58 PM

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Subject: complaint to NYS Inspector General Lucy Lang -- sent Nov. 2, 2021 at 5:55 pm via website:
<https://ig.ny.gov/form/complaint-form-long>

This webpage does not contain an attachment feature -- nor indicate an e-mail address to which complaints can be sent. There is no pick-up when I phone during normal business hours -- and I have received no call back to voice messages I left yesterday at 3:01 pm [(800)367-4448] and today at 4:35 pm [(518)474-1010] . My FULLY-DOCUMENTED complaint is set forth in a letter of today's date to Inspector General Lucy Lang entitled "ENABLING YOU TO FAITHFULLY DISCHARGE THE DUTIES OF YOUR OFFICE: Sworn complaints against 'covered agencies' within your jurisdiction: (1) the Office of the Inspector General; (2) the Joint Commission on Public Ethics; (3) the State University of New York; (4) the Division on the Budget; (5) the defunct Commission on Judicial Compensation, whose fraudulent August 29, 2011 report lives on, rewarding a corrupt judiciary with pay raises and depriving the public of functioning safeguards against judicial corruption; and (6) the defunct Commission to Investigate Public Corruption, whose fraudulent December 2, 2013 report lives on, concealing the manifestations and true causes of New York's corruption and the ease with which it is rectified." This November 2, 2021 complaint/letter is posted on the Center for Judicial Accountability's website, www.judgewatch.org, accessible from the left sidepanel "Searching for Champions-NYS", which brings up a webpage listing the NYS Inspector General. The direct link to the webpage for the complaint/letter is here:
<http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/ny-inspector-general-11-2-21-complaints.htm>.

I will, additionally, e-mail the letter/complaint to the e-mail address I do have.

I look forward to being contacted -- and soon.

Thank you.

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