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Subject: **Questions for Chief Administrative Judge Zayas about the Judiciary's
FY2026-27 Budget Submission & the Judicial Portion of Budget Bill
S.9001/A.10001**

Attachments: [1-26-26-foil-zayas-judiciary-budget-submission.pdf](#);
[2-6-26-supplement-foil-fy26-27-zayas-etc.pdf](#)

TO: [NEW YORK STATE SENATORS](#)

In the event your Senate Finance and Judiciary Committee chairs and ranking members did not alert you to the deceits, frauds, and larcenies of the [Judiciary's FY2026-27 budget submission](#) and the judicial portion of the Governor's [Legislative/Judiciary budget bill #S.9001/A.10001](#) – about which **Chief Administrative Judge Zayas must be interrogated at today's "public protection" budget hearing** – above-attached is the FOIL/records request I sent him on January 26th, to which they were cc'd, with the supplement I sent on February 6th – both of which I embodied in my February 6th written testimony in support of oral testimony, also sent to the chairs and ranking members.

Yesterday, I alerted the chairs and ranking members that I would not be testifying in person – and furnished superseding [written testimony for today's "public protection" budget hearing](#), to be substituted for the February 6th written testimony, [already posted](#), making updating changes, typographic corrections, and minor clarifications.

I am available to assist you. Feel free to call me with your questions.

Thank you.

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Subject: FOIL/Records Request: The Judiciary's FY2026-27 Budget Submission

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Above attached is CJA's FOIL/records request of today's date entitled "The Judiciary's FY2026-27 Budget Submission".

Thank you.

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