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Email Complaint and Attachments to: AD1-AGC-newcomplaints@nycourts.gov. In addition, please send **one copy** of your complaint and attachments **by regular mail** to the above address. (If you do not have a personal email account, please send two (2) complete sets of your complaint and all attachments. There may be a delay in processing your matter if it is not emailed. Please **do not** include any original documents because we are unable to return them.)

Background Information

Today's Date: 08/15/2022

Your Full Name: (Mr. Ms. Mrs.) Elena Sassower/Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc.

Address: Box 8101

City: White Plains State: New York Zip Code: 10602

Cell Phone: 646-220-7987 Business/Home Phone: 914-421-1200

Email Address: elena@judgewatch.org

Are you represented by a lawyer regarding this complaint? Yes No If Yes:

Lawyer's Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Business Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Attorney Information

Full Name of Attorney Complained of: (Mr. Ms. Mrs.) AGC-1 Chairs Anello & Reardon, Etc.

Address: see below

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Business Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Date(s) of Representation/Incident: 01/27/2022 to the present

Have you filed a civil or criminal complaint against this attorney? Yes No If Yes:

If yes, name of case (if applicable): _____

Name of Court: _____

Index Number of Case (if known): _____

Have you filed a complaint concerning this matter with another Grievance Committee, Bar Association, District Attorney's Office, or any other agency? Yes No

If yes, name of agency: _____

Action taken by agency, if any: _____

Details of Complaint

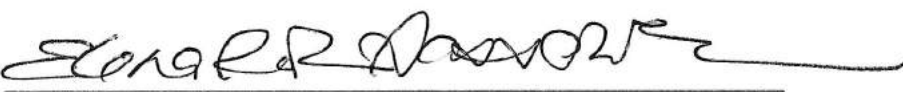
Please describe the alleged misconduct in as much detail as possible including what happened, where and when, the names of any witnesses, what was said, and in what tone of voice, etc. Use additional sheets if necessary.

See accompanying August 15, 2022 e-mail to AGC-1's members, summarizing, with EVIDENCE, this complaint against:

AGC-1 Chair Robert J. Anello, ESQ., partner in the law firm Morvillo, Abramowitz, Grand Iason & Anello PC, located at 565 Fifth Avenue, NYC 10017. His phone number is 212-880-9520 and e-mail address is ranello@maglaw.com;

AGC-1 Chair Abigail T. Reardon, ESQ., partner in the law firm DLA Piper LLP, located at 1251 Avenue of the Americas, NYC 10020. Her phone number is 212-335-4620 and e-mail address is abigail.reardon@dlapiper.com;

continued on the additional sheets.

Complainant's Signature (Required): 

“Additional Sheets [] Necessary” for Continuation

This August 15, 2022 complaint is also against:

AGC-1 Chief Deputy Attorney Angela Christmas, whose Appellate Division, First Department Attorney Grievance Committee contact information is, as indicated by her two [March 11, 2022 letters to me](#), & [here](#): 180 Maiden Lane, 17th Floor, NYC 10038, with a phone number of 212-401-0800. The e-mail address, as indicated by the AGC-1 website, is AD1-AGC@nycourts.gov.

Appellate Division, First Department Deputy Chief Clerk Margaret Sowah, whose Appellate Division, First Department contact information is, as indicated by [her July 21, 2022 letter to me](#), 27 Madison Avenue, NYC 10010-2201, with a telephone number of 212-340-0400. The e-mail address from which the letter was sent was [AD1COURT@nycourts.gov](#).

Unified Court System Inspector General Sherrill Spatz, whose contact information is, as indicated by her [complaint form that I completed and e-mailed to her on August 27, 2021](#), without any response from her then or thereafter, is Office of Court Administration, 25 Beaver Street, NYC 10004. The indicated phone number is 646-386-3500 and the e-mail address is [ig@nycourts.gov](#).

**ADDITIONALLY, BASED UPON THE ROLE
&/OR KNOWLEDGE OF AGC-1’s TWO VICE-CHAIRS:**

AGC-1 Vice Chair Ricardo E. Oquendo, Esq. is a partner in the law firm Oquendo Deraco, PLLC, located at 380 Lexington Ave, Suite 620 New York NY 10168-0002. His phone number is 347-941-2362 and e-mail address is

AGC-1 Vice Chair Milton Williams, Esq. is a partner in the law firm Walden, Macht, and Haran LLP, located at 250 Vesey Street, 27th Floor, NYC 10281. His phone number is 212-335-2963. His e-mail address is [mwilliams@wmhlaw.com](#)

To further assist your verification of this readily-verified complaint, whose EVIDENTIARY substantiation is laid out on the following two webpages of the Center for Judicial Accountability's website, www.judgewatch.org:

(1) CJA's EVIDENTIARY webpage for the February 11, 2021 complaint:

<https://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/attorney-discipline/feb-11-21-complaint-vs-james-etc.htm>;

(2) CJA's MENU webpage of the record of the complaint at AGC-1:

<https://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/attorney-discipline/feb-11-21-complaint-1st-dept.htm>;

Here, extracted, are the key documents from CJA's above MENU webpage, apart from the February 11, 2021 complaint:

- **AGC-1 Chief Attorney Dopico's December 30, 2021 letter** --
"Matter of Letitia A. James, Esq. - Docket No. 2021.0843"
- **CJA's January 27, 2022 letter to AGC-1 Chairs to Anello & Reardon** --
 (1) Reconsideration – AGC-1 docket #2021.0843 – CJA's February 11, 2021 complaint against New York State Attorney General Letitia James;
 (2) Supervisory oversight – CJA's February 11, 2021 complaint against New York State Solicitor General Barbara Underwood, as to which there has been NO acknowledgment, NO notice of disposition, and no response from AGC-1 to requests for the assigned docket #;
 (3) Complaint against AGC-1 Chief Attorney Jorge Dopico and other AGC-1 attorney staff for conflict of interest and fraud."
- **AGC-1 Chief Attorney Dopico's January 28, 2022 letter** --
"Matter of Barbara Underwood, Esq. - Docket No. 2021.0488"
- **CJA's February 23, 2022 letter to AGC-1 Chairs Anello & Reardon** --
 (1) Reconsideration – AGC-1 docket #2021.0488 – CJA's February 11, 2021 complaint against New York State Solicitor General Barbara Underwood;
 (2) Complaint against Chief Attorney Jorge Dopico and other AGC-1 attorney staff for conflict of interest and fraud"
- **AGC-1 Chief Attorney Dopico's March 2, 2022 letter** --
"Matter of Letitia A. James, Esq. Docket No. 2021.0843"

- **AGC-1 Chief Attorney Dopico's March 2, 2022 letter** --
"Matter of Barbara Underwood, Esq. Docket No. 2021.0488"
- **CJA's March 9, 2022 letter to AGC-1 Chairs Anello & Reardon** --
“(1) Discharging your duty to recall Chief Attorney Dopico’s March 2, 2022 letters in 'Matter of Letitia A. James, Esq. Docket No. 2021.0843' and 'Matter of Barbara Underwood, Esq. Docket No. 2021-0488' because they are fraudulent – and accounting for the ‘independent review’ they purport; (2) Identifying the docket numbers and status of the complaints against Chief Attorney Dopico and AGC-1 attorney staff, initiated by my January 27, 2022 and February 23, 2022 letters.”
CJA's March 9, 2022 complaint form vs Chief Attorney Dopico
- **AGC-1 Deputy Chief Attorney Angela Christmas' March 11, 2022 letter** --
"Matter of Letitia A. James, Esq. Docket No. 2021.0843"
- **AGC-1 Deputy Chief Attorney Angela Christmas' March 11, 2022 letter** --
"Matter of Barbara Underwood, Esq. Docket No. 2021.0488"
- **AD-1 Deputy Clerk of the Court Margaret Sowah's March 11, 2022 letter** --
"Complaint against Chief Attorney Jorge Dopico et al."
- **CJA's March 15, 2022 letter to AGC-1 Chairs Anello & Reardon** --
“(1) The identity of the unspecified ‘Chair or Vice-Chair of the Committee’ who determined the January 27, 2022 reconsideration request in ‘Matter of Letitia A. James, Esq. Docket No. 2021.0843’ and February 23, 2022 reconsideration request in ‘Matter of Barbara Underwood, Esq. Docket No. 2021-0488’ – and the basis for the determinations ‘that the file should remain closed’;
(2) The current roster of AGC-1’s 42 members.”
- **CJA's May 4, 2022 e-mail to AGC-1 Chairs Anello & Reardon** --
"STATUS? – CJA's March 15, 2022 letter RE: Feb. 11, 2021 complaint vs Attorney General James, Solicitor General Underwood & complaints resulting therefrom vs AGC-1 Chief Attorney Dopico & attorney staff"
- **CJA's July 21, 2022 e-mail to AGC-1 Chairs Anello & Reardon** --
"Still waiting: (1) CJA’s March 15, 2022 letter to AGC-1 Chairs Anello & Reardon; (2) AD-1 Deputy Clerk Sowah's March 11, 2022 letter"
- **AD-1 Deputy Clerk of the Court Sowah's July 21, 2022 letter** --
"Complaint against Chief Attorney Jorge Dopico et. al. regarding Docket No. 2021.0488 (Barbara Underwood) and Docket No. 2021.0843 (Letitia James, Esq.)"