

## THE STATE OF NEW YORK INDEPENDENT REVIEW COMMITTEE FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE COMMISSION ON ETHICS AND LOBBYING IN GOVERNMENT www.ny.gov/ethics-irc

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Elena Sassower elena@judgewatch.org

Dear Ms. Sassower,

I write in response to you FOIL request to the Independent Review Committee for Nominations to the New York State Commission on Ethics and Lobbying in Government ("IRC") for: "...applicable records pertaining to the review and selection process for a member's seat shall be subject to disclosure pursuant to article six of the public officers law only after an individual member is appointed to the commission."

Attached are records responsive to your request. Attached are records responsive to your request. Please be advised that any information regarding candidates nominated to the Commission who were not ultimately appointed is being withheld pursuant to Executive Law §94(3)(k) and we have redacted personal information such as personal phone numbers, personal email addresses, and home addresses.

Please be further advised that all comments regarding nominees to the New York State Commission on Ethics and Lobbying in Government are included in the submissions to the IRC and are diligently reviewed, along with all other material, and that pursuant to the IRC's procedures, IRC members with a potential conflict regarding a nominee recuse themselves from the review of that nominee.

Sincerely.

Matthew Gewolb

**Records Access Officer**