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INACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC

**Attachments:** 9-3-19-foil-public-campaign-finance.pdf; 8-21-19-nylj-ltr.pdf

## TO: Ryan Whalen/STATE OF POLITICS

As I see you are listed, with Nick Reisman, on the State of Politics blog for news tips: <a href="https://www.nystateofpolitics.com/2019/08/good-government-groups-want-focus-on-public-financing-not-fusion-voting/">https://www.nystateofpolitics.com/2019/08/good-government-groups-want-focus-on-public-financing-not-fusion-voting/</a>, below and attached is the news tip I sent to Mr. Reisman, two days ago and on August 21st — to which I received no response.

I look forward to your response – and his – as I am eager to assist you both in this MAJOR news story.

Thank you.

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## ALERT: NYS Public Campaign Financing & Election Commission is INACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC

How is the public supposed to contact the NYS Public Campaign Financing & Election Commission? Where is its website? What is its phone number, e-mail address, office address? Is there NO registration for its public hearings? — the first of which is less than a week away, and virtually unreported by the press.

Are witnesses going to be testifying on a "first-come, first-serve" basis – and how much time will each get? Will the public hearings be live-streamed, pursuant to the Open Meetings Law, and from what website will they be accessible? Will recordings be available – and will submitted written statements be posted?

To enable you to SOUND AN ALARM about the obvious rigging of the Commission's public hearings to favor advocates of public campaign financing, whose inside track was highlighted by the <a href="New York Post">New York's new campaign laws</a>" (Sept. 2, 2019/Sept. 3), attached is the Center for Judicial Accountability's