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TO: THE NEW YORKER

I am unable to find any "TIPS", "STORY IDEA" feature on The New Yorker website: <https://www.newyorker.com/>.

Is there none? And is there also no feature for contacting your journalists/columnists about what they have written or about errors or omissions in their journalism, including through your "Contact" webpage: <https://www.newyorker.com/about/contact?>

How about investigating and reporting the below time-sensitive MAJOR news story? My efforts, thus far, have been completely unsuccessful – and you can see how extensive they have been here: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/force-of-law-commissions/press-force-of-law-commissions/outreach-sept2019-alert1.htm>.

By copy of this e-mail to Jane Mayer and Ronan Farrow, Esq., whose e-mails I independently secured last year, after their May 7, 2018 investigative article "[Four Women Accuse New York's Attorney General of Physical Abuse](#)" resulted in the **immediate** resignation of New York Attorney General Schneiderman, I ask for their assistance now – as then – in securing investigation and reporting of a readily-verified, fully-documented story bringing down the highest constitutional officers in New York's three government branches, now including Mr. Schneiderman's successors: Solicitor General Underwood and Attorney General James – conveniently packaged in the blockbuster *CJA v. Cuomo* citizen-taxpayer action, now before the New York Court of Appeals: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/searching-nys/budget/citizen-taxpayer-action/2nd/record-ct-of-appeals.htm>.

Please advise. Thank you.

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NEWS TIP – ALERT – SPREAD THE WORD: 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 on Tuesday, September 10th, in Manhattan, 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 New York Post's editorial "[Why judges will end up writing New York's new campaign laws](#)" (Sept. 2, 2019/Sept. 3), attached is the Center for Judicial Accountability's FOIL/open meetings law request, sent early in the morning on September 3rd to the Governor, Senate, and Assembly, to obtain pertinent information about the Commission's operations.

More to follow. Until then, attached is the New York Law Journal's August 21st print publication of my letter "*A Call for Scholarship, Civic Engagement & Amicus Curiae Before the NYCOA*", which it posted on its website on August 20th, here: <https://www.law.com/newyorklawjournal/2019/08/20/a-call-for-scholarship-civic-engagement-amicus-curiae-before-the-nycoa/>, in response to a perspective column entitled "*It's Legally Perilous to Have a Commission Responsible for Election Laws*".

As always, I am available to assist you, to the max, in fulfilling your duty to inform and empower the public.

Thank you.

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