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Subject: **STATUS? Your update of "the official history of public broadcasting...for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) and Current": NPR & PBS public editors & CPB's Inspector General**
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TO: Associate Professor Shepperd

I have received no response from you or from Associate Professor Perlman to my below May 5th e-mail, with the above-attached. Kindly advise if this is because neither of you have responded – and the reason – so that I may be guided accordingly.

Meantime, I have discovered that on the same May 2nd date as The Conversation published your article "[Trump and many GOP lawmakers want to end all funding for NPR and PBS – unraveling a US public media system that took a century to build](#)", the article was also published by the [Albany Times Union](#), the closest, most active co-conspirator in the “knowingly false, corruption-abetting, election-rigging journalism” of New York’s NPR/PBS public media, in which it and New York’s other media identically engage.

Please let me hear from you as soon as possible – and no later than by 5 pm tomorrow.

Thank you.

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Subject: **Your update of "the official history of public broadcasting...for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB) and Current": NPR & PBS public editors & CPB's Inspector General**

TO: Josh Shepperd/Associate Professor of Media Studies/University of Colorado Boulder

A *propos* of your May 2nd article "[Trump and many GOP lawmakers want to end all funding for NPR and PBS – unraveling a US public media system that took a century to build](#)" for The Conversation, including its [linked profile](#) that you are “under contract to co-update the official history of public broadcasting with Allison Perlman (University of California Irvine) for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting (CPB)

and Current”, below, with the above-attached, is my self-explanatory May 2nd e-mail to CPB, germane to your scholarship and journalism offshoots.

What does the “official history of public broadcasting” have to say about the establishment and functioning of the NPR and PBS public editors – and about the CPB’s Inspector General? Assuredly, such “update” as you have with respect to these vital safeguards will have to be revised, dramatically, based on the foregoing.

I look forward to discussing this with you and with [Associate Professor Allison Perlman](#), herein cc’d.

Please let me hear from you soon.

Thank you.

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Subject: CPB's Stewardship of Taxpayer Monies -- Halting Funding to Poynter Institute, NPR, PBS, & NY's Local "Public Media", & Firing the CPB Inspector General -- All Mandated by CJA's February 18, 2025 Letter

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This follows up my brief phone conversation with Executive Vice President/General Counsel Slavitt, who promptly returned the voice mail message I had left for him, shortly before noon and furnished me with his e-mail address so that I could send him this e-mail, already written. He stated that he had no

knowledge of my above-attached and below-described February 18, 2025 letter to House Doge Subcommittee Chair Marjorie Taylor Greene and FCC Chair Brendan Carr.

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I am director and co-founder of the New York-based non-partisan, non-profit citizens' organization, [Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc. \(CJA\)](#) – and am writing in response to your yesterday's press release "[Introducing the Public Media Executives Selected for 2025 Poynter/CPB Fellowship to Strengthen Editorial Leadership](#)".

Did your Inspector General Kimberly Howell not alert you that the Poynter Institute and particularly its vice president and chair of its Craig Newmark Center for Ethics and Leadership, Kelly McBride – who is also NPR's public editor – have been covering up and perpetuating "*knowingly* false, corruption-abetting, election-rigging journalism" by NPR, PBS, and other "public media" – [the evidence of which I provided](#) to her, to her deputy, William Richardson, III, and, in the first instance, to IG Investigative Counsel Helen Mollick. This is recited by my above-attached February 18, 2025 letter to House DOGE Subcommittee Chair Marjorie Taylor Greene and FCC Chair Brendan Carr entitled "Defunding NPR, PBS – & Firing the CPB's Inspector General, for starters".

Did no one share the letter with you?

The letter is additionally germane to President Trump's yesterday's Executive Order "[Ending Taxpayer Subsidization Of Biased Media](#)" – and to your [today's responding press release](#).

I look forward to speaking with you about all this – and about the [\\$42,556,210 in taxpayer monies that CPB is giving in "grants and allocations" to New York "public media"](#), whose "*knowingly* false, corruption-abetting, election-rigging journalism" has continued UNABATED, since I first reported it to NPR Public Editor McBride by a [May 8, 2023 complaint](#) and to PBS Public Editor Ricardo Sandoval-Palos by a [May 15, 2023 complaint](#), as recounted by my [February 18, 2025 letter](#). **What oversight and corrective action will you be taking to rectify this catastrophic, democracy-dooming situation – and will it include forwarding this e-mail to Attorney General Pam Bondi so that she can investigate the crimes to which I first alerted the CPB IG's Office more than six months ago, before the November 5, 2024 election. Please deem this e-mail my express request for such forwarding.**

Feel free to call, no matter how early or late – and over the weekend.

Thank you.

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