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August 27, 2014

Hon. Teresa K. Corrigan  
Judge, County Court  
262 Old Country Road  
Mineola, New York 11501  
Via Fax: 493-3623 and U.S. Mail

Re: People v. Jesse Friedman

Dear Judge Corrigan:

I write to supplement defendant's motion to recuse dated August 11, 2014. Since the filing of that motion, I have been made aware of two matters that bear directly on the Court's appearance of partiality.

First, I note that the single largest contributor to the "Friends of Teresa Corrigan," your judicial campaign fund, was Meg Reiss, whose \$1,000.00 contribution constituted 13% of all funds collected from everyone. Exhibit A. As you may know, Ms. Reiss, DA Rice's former executive assistant, was the lead assistant in charge of the Friedman case review, and was personally and directly involved from the time it was announced in August, 2010. Indeed, she was the first person from the DA's office to meet with Andrew Jarecki and Jesse Friedman. Although Ms. Reiss left the office in August 2011, she continued to work on the case from London.

When Ms. Reiss made her campaign contribution, the Friedman review was on-going. Thus, not only did DA Rice recommend you for your judgeship, her former executive assistant was your largest campaign contributor—all taking place during the review process. At a minimum, this relationship, together with other factors set forth in the motion, would cause reasonable people to question your impartiality.

The second matter relates to your misconduct during the investigation and prosecution of Zaher Zahrey, when you were an assistant district attorney in Kings County. The accusations made against you—concealing exculpatory evidence and participating in the coercion of false testimony—are the same type of accusations that Friedman is making against your former employer. I note that you and the other defendants settled that case for \$750,001.00. While I assume that the stipulation of settlement contained no admission of wrongdoing, I think most people would agree that the sum of money paid the Mr. Zahrey was of a magnitude far greater than a “nuisance” settlement. Under such circumstances, you should not be passing on similar accusations being made against your recent employer.

Thank you for your attention to this matter

Sincerely,



Ronald L. Kuby

cc: ADA Robert Schwartz

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		10/28/12	MBG REISS	31 W 12TH STREET NEW YORK NY	10011	\$1,000.00	PAYPALREF 0XC80	DEC-02-12 10:47 PM
		10/31/12	RUBY BENNETT	13054 ISABELIA TERRACE DELRAY BEACH FL	33446	\$250.00		DEC-02-12 10:52 PM
		10/31/12	DOUGLAS RIDA	180 FROELICH FARM BLVD WOODBURY NY	11797	\$125.00		DEC-02-12 10:49 PM
		11/01/12	JOHN MACCARONE	41 FORREST AVE GLEN COVE NY	11542	\$350.00		DEC-02-12 10:51 PM
		11/02/12	ERIC PHILLIPS	190 BLEEKER STREET NEW YORK NY	10012	\$100.00		DEC-02-12 10:50 PM
		11/04/12	BERNADETTE LOHSE	1748 JASMINE AVE NEW HYDE PARK NY	11040	\$50.00	CASH	JAN-27-13 02:15 PM
		11/07/12	MORRIS HODEMAN	151 E 85TH STREET NEW YORK NY	10028	\$50.00	PAYPAL REF 2CM02	DEC-02-12 10:59 PM

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11/29/12	JONATHAN GEFNER	3267 WOODWARD AVE	2704	\$125.00		DEC-02-12 10:59 PM
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10/27/12	LAW OFFICES OF DANA GROSSBLATT	471 N BROADWAY	642	\$75.00		DEC-02-12 10:44 PM
10/28/12	DEVANE AND GRODER	114 OLD COUNTRY ROAD		\$250.00		DEC-02-12 10:48 PM
11/05/12	FOLEY GRIFFIN	666 OLD COUNTRY ROAD	2309	\$150.00		DEC-02-12 10:53 PM

NO. OF TRANSACTIONS 45 TOTAL \$7,660.00

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