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DAVID A. PATERSON  
GOVERNOR

October 29, 2009

Irfan Kirimca, Senior Director  
Ticket Operations  
Yankee Stadium  
1 East 161<sup>st</sup> Street  
Bronx, NY 10451

Dear Mr. Kirimca,

Thank you for the invitation to attend the World Series 2009 Opening Game at Yankee Stadium. Please accept the enclosed check for the purchase of two tickets for my son, Alex Paterson and his friend, Jeremy. Looking forward to a successful win this season.

Sincerely,

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David A. Paterson

DAVID JOHNSON

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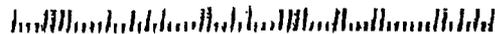
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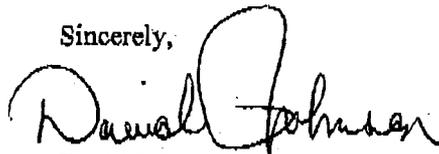
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David Johnson

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Annual Statement of Financial Disclosure: For calendar year 2005

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(c) ADDRESS OF PRESENT OFFICE 163 WEST 125TH ST, SUITE 912, ISAO MADISON AVENUE #41D NEW YORK, NY 10027

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X David W. Johnson  
 (Signature of Reporting Individual)

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**DAVID A. PATERSON**

June 4, 2008

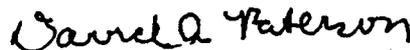
The Honorable Howard Dean  
Chair, Democratic National Committee  
430 South Capitol Street, SE  
Washington, DC 20003

Dear Howard:

I am writing to confirm the prior discussion with staff regarding my resignation as a member of the Democratic National Committee. I remain most grateful to you for having asked me to serve on the Committee.

All best wishes.

Sincerely,



David A. Paterson  
Governor  
State of New York

3. Every State department, agency, office, division, board, bureau, council, authority and public benefit corporation shall cooperate with the Commissioner and shall furnish such information and assistance as the Commissioner determines is reasonably necessary to fulfill his duties.



G I V E N under my hand and the Privy

Seal of the State in the City

of Albany this ninth day of

April in the year two thousand

eight.

*David G. Paterson*

BY THE GOVERNOR

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "G. W. ...".

Secretary to the Governor



State of New York  
Executive Chamber

No. 1

EXECUTIVE ORDER

CONTINUATION AND REVIEW OF PRIOR EXECUTIVE ORDERS

WHEREAS, an orderly transition is essential for the effective administration of State government; and

WHEREAS, in order to help facilitate such transition, a careful review of existing Executive Orders should be conducted to ensure their continued effectiveness and desirability;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, David A. Paterson, Governor of the State of New York, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of New York, do hereby order as follows:

1. The Counsel to the Governor, in conjunction with the Secretary to the Governor, the Director of the Budget and the Director of State Operations (the "Review Committee"), shall review and evaluate all Executive Orders and amendments heretofore issued and currently in effect.

2. This review shall be conducted within the next 90 days, and following such evaluation the Review Committee shall make such recommendations as it deems appropriate for the continuation, modification or revocation of all such Executive Orders and amendments.

3. Every agency, department, office, division and public authority of the State shall cooperate with this review and shall furnish such information and assistance as shall be requested by the Review Committee.

4. All Executive Orders and amendments heretofore issued and currently in effect shall remain in full force and effect until otherwise continued, modified or revoked.

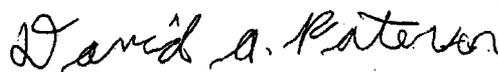
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Seal of the State in the City  
of Albany this twentieth day  
of March in the year two  
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BY THE GOVERNOR

  
Secretary to the Governor



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# State of New York

## Executive Chamber

### Proclamation

**Whereas**, the Empire State is proud to pay tribute to heroic individuals who have made valuable contributions to society, the significance of which forever changed the history of our country, and Harriet Ross Tubman is one such legendary figure who is lauded for her role in bringing countless African-Americans out of slavery, having established an unforgettable legacy with strong and distinctive ties to New York State; and

**Whereas**, born on a plantation in Maryland in or around 1820, Harriet Tubman escaped from slavery in 1849 and, upon gaining her freedom, she settled in Philadelphia where she met William Still – the Philadelphia “Stationmaster” of the “Underground Railroad,” – who along with the Philadelphia Anti-Slavery Society, introduced Harriet Tubman to the Underground Railroad; and

**Whereas**, in 1850, Harriet Tubman became a “conductor” on the Underground Railroad and eventually became the most influential of all the “conductors” by returning to the South 19 times through the Underground Railroad and freeing 300 slaves; in 1851, Harriet Tubman relocated members of her family to St. Catherines in Ontario, Canada which became her headquarters for the Underground Railroad until 1857; and

**Whereas**, in the mid-1850s, Harriet Tubman met United States Senator, Secretary of State and former New York State Governor William H. Seward and his wife Frances, in Auburn, New York, who in 1857 provided a home for Harriet Tubman in Auburn, which she later purchased and used as new headquarters for the Underground Railroad; and

**Whereas**, during the Civil War, Harriet Tubman worked as a cook in the Union Army in South Carolina and served as a nurse, a scout for raiding parties, and a spy behind Confederate lines; after the War, Harriet Tubman returned to Auburn, making it her permanent home, and she joined the African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church and became a devoted and active member; in 1903, Harriet Tubman transferred ownership of her home and property to the A.M.E. Zion Church and, after her death, the church developed and managed it to sustain her memory; and

**Whereas**, on March 10, 1913, Harriet Tubman died and was buried in Fort Hill Cemetery in Auburn, New York, where she received full military honors at her funeral; today, her home and property are registered as National Historic Landmarks in Auburn and the site has been made part of the National Parks Service Freedom Trail in honor of her life and struggles;

**Whereas**, Harriet Ross Tubman remains an inspiration to many people, as her dedication and commitment to helping numerous slaves has made her one of our Nation's greatest historical figures, and it is therefore fitting that New Yorkers and people everywhere pay tribute to this great American champion of freedom;

**Now, Therefore**, I, David A. Paterson, Governor of the State of New York, do hereby proclaim March 10, 2009 as

## HARRIET TUBMAN DAY

in the Empire State.



**GIVEN** under my hand and the privy seal of the State at the Capitol in the City of Albany this first day of March in the year two thousand nine.

*David A. Paterson*  
Governor

*Laurence Schwadtz*  
Secretary to the Governor



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RELEASE

As a candidate for the statewide elected office of

Lt. Governor, I

authorize the State Ethics Commission to make publicly available copies of my financial disclosure statement (with the categories of value deleted) filed pursuant to Public Officers Law §73-a and post such statement on the Commission's website.

Signed: David A. Patrono

Dated: 8/6/06

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November 16, 2009

**VIA FACSIMILE & FEDERAL EXPRESS**

Barry Ginsberg  
Executive Director and Counsel  
New York State Commission on Public Integrity  
540 Broadway  
Albany, New York 12207

Re: New York Yankees Partnership

Dear Mr. Ginsberg:

We represent the New York Yankees Partnership (the "Yankees"). This is in response to your letter to the Yankees dated October 30, 2009 regarding the Commission's investigation of the use of World Series tickets by Governor David A. Paterson on October 28, 2009. Respectfully, the information provided to the Commission is inaccurate. I set forth the relevant facts below.

On October 27, 2009, Matthew Nelson of Governor Paterson's office telephoned the Yankees to request five (5) tickets for the first game of the World Series, which occurred on October 28, 2009. The next day, the Yankees telephoned David Johnson, a second aide to the Governor, and asked Mr. Johnson to provide payment information for the requested tickets. Mr. Johnson told the Yankees that the tickets were for official state business. He was told that the Yankees required a confirmation of his statement in writing. The Governor's Counsel, Peter J. Kiernan, confirmed to the Yankees by letter of October 28, 2009 that "Governor David Paterson will be attending the opening game of the World Series . . . on official business." (See Attachment 1; emphasis added.) In response to the Governor's request and the written representation of his Counsel, five tickets were left at "will call" for the Governor on the day of the game. The Yankees had no knowledge of the identity of those in the Governor's official business group. The day after the game, October 29, 2009, after the Governor's office received press inquiries about the Governor's appearance at the game, Mr. Johnson called the Yankees to ask where to send payment for the World Series tickets, and the address for payment was provided.

On November 2, 2009, the *New York Post* published a story stating in substance that Governor Paterson requested tickets from the Yankees and the Governor told the Yankees that the tickets were for "official government business." (See Attachment 2.) On November 3, 2009, the Yankees' Senior Director of Ticket Operations received by regular mail a letter from Governor Paterson dated October 29, 2009 enclosing a check

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dated October 27, 2009 for \$850.00, which is the face value of two of the tickets the Governor received. In his letter to the Senior Director, Governor Paterson wrote the Yankees that he had enclosed the "check for the purchase of two tickets for my son, [REDACTED] Paterson and his friend, [REDACTED]." (See Attachment 3.) The letter bore a postmark of October 30, 2009.

The Governor's letter inaccurately stated that he had received an "invitation to attend the World Series 2009 Opening Game at Yankee Stadium." As the Governor's spokesman confirmed to the *New York Post*, there was no invitation to the World Series. Rather, as set forth above, the Yankees provided tickets to Governor Paterson only after receiving a telephone call from the Governor's office requesting them for purposes of official government business, and only after receiving a letter from Counsel for the Governor confirming that the Governor would "be attending the opening game . . . on *official business*." (Emphasis added.)

After reviewing the correspondence described above and the *Times* article, I wrote a letter on behalf of the Yankees to the Governor's counsel, Peter Kiernan, on November 4, 2009, seeking additional information regarding the World Series tickets that had been requested for Governor Paterson the previous week, and referencing Mr. Kiernan's letter dated October 28, 2009 which stated that the Governor would be attending the World Series that evening on "official business." I asked Mr. Kiernan to advise me "whether the Governor used more than one ticket for official government business and whether the Yankees should expect further payment for the remaining tickets." I advised Mr. Kiernan that I had read an article in the *New York Times* the preceding day where the Governor's spokesman was quoted as stating that "The governor attended . . . the World Series in his official capacity, to represent the State of New York at a ceremonial occasion." (See Attachment 4.)

Following my letter, the Yankees received further correspondence and checks from the Governor's office. Specifically, on November 4, 2009, the Yankees' Senior Director of Ticket Operations received a second letter, this one from the Deputy Director of State Operations, Mark Leinung, enclosing a personal check in the amount of "\$425 to pay for the ticket." (See Attachment 5.) As you will see from Attachment 5, the Deputy Director inaccurately stated that he also had been extended an "invitation to attend the first game of the 2009 World Series at Yankee Stadium." In fact, the Yankees had no knowledge of Mr. Leinung, or of whom the Governor was including in his official business request.

On November 9, 2009, the Yankees received another personal check from Mr. Johnson in the amount of \$425, dated October 30, 2009. This letter, like the other letters, erroneously states that he received an "invitation to attend the World Series 2009 Opening Game." (See Attachment 6.) This letter is also dated October 30, 2009 and bore a post mark of November 7, 2009.

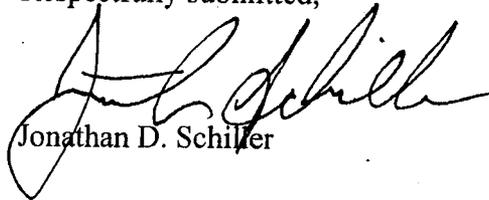
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As these facts make clear, no gift was offered or provided to Governor Paterson within the purview of Legislative Law Section 1-m, and "it is not reasonable to infer that [a] gift was intended to influence such public official."<sup>1</sup> Governor Paterson requested the tickets as part of his "official business," and the tickets were provided on that basis. The Commission has previously recognized that the determination of the scope of "official duties" rests with the State agency. *See* Advisory Op. 08-01 (Mar. 25, 2008), § III.F(ii) ("the State agency must first determine that an employee's attendance will further agency programs and operations."). Here, the Governor's office communicated orally and in writing that it had made exactly that determination with respect to the Governor's attendance at the World Series game.

The Yankees were entitled to rely on that representation, which the Governor's office confirmed to the Yankees in a writing by the Governor's Counsel, and reaffirmed publicly when it told the *New York Times* that the Governor attended the game "in his official capacity, to represent the State of New York at a ceremonial occasion." As the New York Temporary State Commission on Lobbying previously recognized: "It is quite conceivable that attendance such as a professional ball game could have relevancy to the duties of that public official." N.Y. Temporary State Comm'n on Lobbying, Op. No. 57 (05-01) (Feb. 1, 2005). As explained above, the Yankees received payment for the face value of 4 of the 5 tickets shortly after the game the Governor attended. As the Commission has previously concluded, a "gift does not include (1) anything for which a State officer or employee pays market value." Advisory Op. 08-01, § III.A.<sup>2</sup>

I, therefore, respectfully request that this letter, with its attachments, be provided to the Commission, and that the Commission determine unanimously to close this inquiry as to the Yankees with no further action.

Respectfully submitted,



Jonathan D. Schiller

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<sup>1</sup> The Commission must construe Legislative Law § 1-m narrowly. *E.g.*, *City of New York v. Verizon N.Y., Inc.*, 4 N.Y.3d 255, 258 (2005).

<sup>2</sup> In Advisory Opinion 97-3 (Feb. 10, 1997), the New York State Ethics Commission addressed a situation in which the Governor's Counsel received tickets to the Super Bowl, and reimbursed the provider "shortly afterward." The Ethics Commission wrote: "Having determined that Finnegan reimbursed Stafford for the market value of the flight and the tickets within a permissible time frame, the Commission concludes that Finnegan did not receive a gift."



STATE OF NEW YORK

DAVID A. PATERSON  
GOVERNOR

PETER J. KIERNAN  
COUNSEL TO THE GOVERNOR

October 28, 2009

Mr. Brian Smith  
Senior VP for Corporate Community Relations  
1 East 161<sup>st</sup> Street  
Bronx, NY 10451

Dear Mr. Smith,

This is to advise that Governor David Paterson will be attending the opening game of the World Series this evening at Yankee Stadium. The Governor will do so on official business.

Please advise if further elaboration is desired.

On behalf of the Governor, we appreciate your courtesy and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Peter J. Kiernan", written over a large, stylized circular flourish.

Peter J. Kiernan  
Counsel to the Governor



Updated: Mon., Nov. 2, 2009, 5:42 AM

## Gov's Yankee freebie 'foul'

By FREDRIC U. DICKER

Last Updated: 5:42 AM, November 2, 2009

Posted: 4:22 AM, November 2, 2009

ALBANY — Gov. Paterson secretly solicited five free tickets to last week's World Series opener, in apparent violation of the state ethics law, even while publicly claiming it was the Yankees who had "invited" him to the game, The Post has learned.

When initially asked about the freebies, Paterson spokesman Peter Kauffmann said the governor was personally offered the tickets by Yankee President Randy Levine, with whom he had appeared on a CNBC show a few days earlier.

Levine shot back, "He's a liar. I never talked to him [Paterson]."

Kauffmann then offered two other stories.

First, he claimed that another Yankee official, Chief Operating Officer Lonn Trost, offered the tickets to Paterson.

But after Levine, a former deputy mayor under Rudy Giuliani, shot that down as false as well, Kauffmann conceded that Trost had actually offered the governor playoff tickets, not Series tickets, many weeks ago.

A third story then came from a senior Paterson administration official, who told The Post that the tickets were solicited from the Yankees' top management at Paterson's direction by David Johnson, the governor's personal aide.

"The governor didn't want to pay," the official said.

The free tickets, originally for Paterson, his son, his son's friend and two aides, were called illegal by ethics watchdogs because the governor is barred by law from accepting gifts from organizations that do business with the state.

Kauffmann initially claimed that taking free tickets worth nearly \$2,000 was appropriate because the governor's appearance at the World Series was part of his "official" and "ceremonial" responsibilities. He said Paterson's chief counsel, Peter Kieran, had given the Yankees a letter assuring them the governor was on "official business."

The team responded by saying it had demanded written assurance that the free tickets were for "official purposes" to make sure it wouldn't be violating the state's gift ban.

Kauffmann's story changed several more times over two days as the number of free tickets received shrank to four, to two and, over the weekend, to one.

Kauffmann said Paterson ultimately decided — after learning that The Post was preparing a report — to pay for his son and his son's friend, while directing Johnson to pay for his own ticket.

New York Public Interest Research Group Legislative Director Blair Horner said he was "stunned" by the receipt of free tickets.

"That should be a slam-dunk violation of the gift ban," said Horner, a state ethics-law expert.

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DAVID A. PATERSON  
GOVERNOR

October 29, 2009

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Bronx, NY 10451

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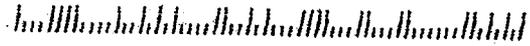
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Ticket Operations  
Yankee Stadium  
1 East 161<sup>st</sup> Street  
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November 4, 2009

**VIA E-MAIL, FAX AND FEDERAL EXPRESS**

Peter J. Kiernan, Esq.  
Counsel to the Governor  
Executive Chamber  
State Capitol  
Albany, New York 12224

Dear Mr. Kiernan:

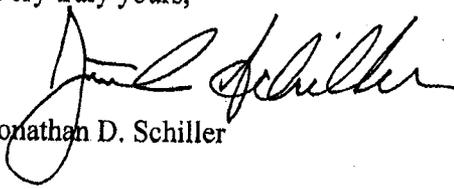
I write on behalf of the New York Yankees to seek additional information related to World Series tickets that were requested for Governor Paterson last week.

As I understand it, on October 27, 2009, aides to the Governor contacted the Yankees to request five tickets for Game One of the World Series. The Yankees informed David Johnson, one of the Governor's aides, that the Yankees would require payment for the requested tickets. Mr. Johnson then told the Yankees that the requested tickets were for official government business. After the Yankees asked Mr. Johnson to provide written confirmation of that fact, you sent a letter to the Yankees on October 28, 2009 confirming that Governor Paterson would attend the opening game of the World Series that evening "on official business."

It is my understanding that the next day, October 29, Mr. Johnson contacted Irfan Kirimca, the Yankees Senior Director of Ticket Operations, to ask about the price for the tickets used by the Governor, and where payment should be sent. Yesterday, Mr. Kirimca received by regular mail an envelope postmarked October 30 sent from the Governor's Office. The envelope contained a check from Governor Paterson dated October 27, 2009 in the amount of \$850, which represents the price of two tickets at the per-ticket price that Mr. Kirimca told the Governor's representative during their telephone call on October 29.

As you know, an article in yesterday's *New York Times* quoted Peter A. Kauffmann, a spokesman for the Governor, as stating: "The governor attended Game 1 of the World Series in his official capacity, to represent the State of New York at a ceremonial occasion. All other tickets are being paid for." Please let me know whether the Governor used more than one ticket in connection with official government business, and whether the Yankees should expect further payment for the remaining tickets.

Very truly yours,

  
Jonathan D. Schiller

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STATE OF NEW YORK

DAVID A. PATERSON  
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DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF  
STATE OPERATIONS

November 2, 2009

Mr. Ifran Kirimca  
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Yankee Stadium  
1 East 161 Street  
Bronx, NY 10451

Dear Mr. Kirimca,

Thank you for the invitation to attend the first game of the 2009 World Series at Yankee Stadium. Attached please find my check of \$425 to pay for the ticket. We eagerly look forward to the successful completion of the franchise's 27<sup>th</sup> World Championship.

Sincerely,

  
Mark Leinung  
Deputy Director of State Operations

Mark F. Leinung 3073  
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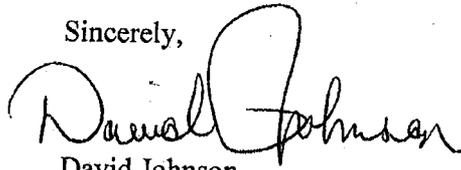
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Dear Mr. Kirimca,

Thank you for the invitation to attend the World Series 2009 Opening Game at Yankee Stadium. Please accept the enclosed check for the purchase of one ticket. Looking forward to a successful win this season.

Sincerely,

  
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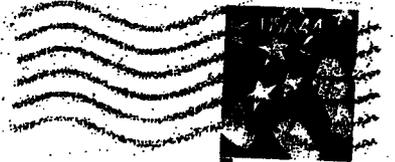
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**From:** Kirimca, Irfan  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 11, 2009 10:17 AM  
**To:** Trost, Lonn  
**Subject:** RE:

Lonn – as we discussed last night, we should get together with Brian Smith & Jim Ross to discuss holding front row Legends seats behind both dugouts, as we have availability for all 3 rounds. We should also hold some good locations behind the screen just in case Governor Patterson decides to attend any games.

**From:** Trost, Lonn  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2009 9:54 PM  
**To:** Dart, Kevin; Kirimca, Irfan  
**Subject:** FW:

Sorry I missed you guys on the first go round.

**From:** Trost, Lonn  
**Sent:** Monday, August 10, 2009 6:03 PM  
**To:** Bonner, Michael; Tusiani, Michael; Tymon, Debbie; Smith, Brian  
**Cc:** Trost, Lonn  
**Subject:**

Please advise as to your post season suite requirements as they pertain to MLB, National Rightsholders, Marketing, Sponsorship, Tampa, entertainment, etc.