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Dear Jim Owles Liberal Democratic Club:

Having been found “most highly qualified” by the Independent Screening Panel of the New York County Democrats, I am seeking your endorsement for the vacant seat for Civil Court Judge in Municipal Court District 1. Guided by the principle of compassion and the goal of helping everyday people, I have dedicated my entire legal career to public service. I have been a litigator for the New York City Housing Authority (for over a decade), and am now a Senior Appellate Court Attorney for the Appellate Division, Second Department, the busiest appellate court in New York State.

My grandparents immigrated to the United States from Italy and Lithuania seeking opportunities not available in their home country. Building on their legacy, I was the first woman in my family to finish college, and the first member of my family to pursue post-graduate study. After earning an MBA, I worked in commercial real estate in NYC, but I found that work unrewarding and unfulfilling and applied to law school. Attending law school gave me the tools and confidence to devote my career to mission driven work that helps others.

After law school, I worked as a litigator for the New York City Housing Authority where I defended the city’s public housing system from actions brought by construction companies and Section 8 landlords. In so doing, I supported the Housing Authority’s mission to preserve affordable housing and served its residents, the everyday people who are vital to New York City.

In my current position as a court attorney for the Appellate Division, Second Department I support the Justices as they decide appeals on a wide range of legal cases and issues including breach of contract, personal injury, the fundamental rights of those accused of crimes, and family matters involving children. In this role, I draft proposed decisions that are precise and concise, provide justice to the parties, and offer guidance to the public, the bench, and the bar. I am always conscious of the enormous responsibility I have to help further justice, and find it particularly fulfilling, when necessary, to guide the Justices to reverse wrongly decided matters.

I have devoted myself to the humble, but essential, role of serving the public compassionately, as a champion of public and affordable housing, and now to ensure that trial court decisions in several counties of the State are decided correctly. I once heard someone state “it is not the law that does justice, people do.” With your support, I hope to be such a person as a Judge of the Civil Court.

Attached are my resume, summaries of matters I worked on at the Appellate Division, Second Department, and the published decisions from those matters. Please feel free to contact me at 404-273-1046, or my consultant, Suzanne Jacobson, at 212-873-5187, with any questions.

With Gratitude,
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