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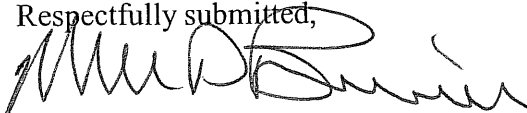
Re: *Goldstein, et al. v. N.Y. State Urban Develop. Corp.*,
(App. Div., 2nd Dep't, Docket No. 2008-7064)

Dear Mr. Cohen:

We, along with co-counsel, represent Appellants in the above-referenced appeal. Appellants filed their Notice of Appeal on June 12, 2009. In accordance with § 500.9(a) of the Rules of the Court of Appeals, enclosed for filing is Appellants' Preliminary Appeal Statement. We understand that, pursuant to § 500.9(c) of the Rules of the Court of Appeals, we will be notified either that review under §§ 500.10 or 500.11 will commence, or that the appeal will proceed in the normal course.

By letter dated June 15, 2009, counsel for Respondent urged the Court to exercise its authority pursuant to § 500.10 of the Rules of the Court of Appeals. While Appellants do not believe that review is necessary because the substantial nature of the constitutional issues presented are manifest, we will, of course, make a more detailed showing should the Court invoke review under § 500.10. In its letter, Respondent also sought a calendar preference pursuant to § 500.17(b) of the Rules of the Court of Appeals. Respondent's request is premature because we have not yet been notified that this appeal will proceed in the normal course. The request also does not comply with § 500.17(b). Insofar as the parties are notified that this appeal will proceed in the normal course, we will consult with counsel for Respondent concerning any request for a calendar preference as required by § 500.17(b).

Respectfully submitted,



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