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Town Supervisor



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September 7, 2010

Councilwoman Susan Serino
38 Mansion Drive
Hyde Park, New York 12538

Dear Councilwoman Serino:

I am writing to you regarding the episode that transpired the afternoon of September 1, 2010. On the afternoon of said date you entered my office and demanded a document from my confidential secretary regarding an individual who had been under consideration for a position with the Town of Hyde Park. It has been reported to me that your tone towards my secretary was loud and abusive. This is not the first time that you have behaved in a loud and abusive manner in the office of the Town Supervisor. I do wish to inform you that the mode of behavior which you displayed cannot and will not be tolerated. I also wish to advise you that Sarah Murray is the confidential secretary to the supervisor, and that you have no authority over this individual. Should you have any requests for documents or any other materials concerning town government I remind you that your request should be directed to the offices of the Town clerk who serves as secretary to the Hyde Park Town Board. It truly saddens me that I must resort to issuing you this letter. It is hoped that there will be no further displays of rude or abusive behavior towards Town employees.

As I have publically stated, my door has and will continue to be open to all Town Board members so that there will be a free and open exchange of ideas concerning Town issues.

Yours truly,

Thomas J. Martino
Supervisor, Town of Hyde Park

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