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*“A Union of Citizens, without regard to party, for the purpose of securing the honest and efficient government of the City of New York”*

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## LETTER FROM CITIZENS UNION

Dear Fellow New York Voter,

Two years ago, many New Yorkers were rightfully concerned about the dysfunction of our state government in Albany. There was significant public clamor to reform the legislature and improve the way in which our state government was functioning. Feeling the heat of the public's concern, incumbent legislators joined with their challengers in embracing a number of reforms that just a few years ago no one wanted to seriously discuss; campaign finance, legislative rules, gerrymandering, lobbying, ethics, and public authorities.

Though the overwhelming majority of state legislators won reelection in 2004, many still moved quickly to wear the mantle of reform. 2005 in Albany proved to be a far more productive reform year than 2006. Progress was made as legislative rules were strengthened. Lobbying activity reporting was expanded and enforcement stepped up. Public authorities gained greater oversight. These achievements were all good, but much more was left on the table to do.

In evaluating candidates again this year, Citizens Union is holding incumbent legislators accountable to the promises they made in 2004 in the area of reform. It is one of the reasons we preferred fewer incumbents this primary season than in 2004.

Reform of state government remains an important issue and has been the focus of much of the cases being made by individual statewide candidates as to why they should be elected. Given the importance of these reform issues along with the impact state government has upon the City of New York, Citizens Union decided to evaluate and support candidates for Governor, Attorney General, and Comptroller for the first time in its 109 year history. We hope that the promises made during this campaign become the reality of next year in Albany.

The 2006 election not only presents itself as an historic opportunity for reform, but also marks the first time since 1954 when the offices of Governor and Attorney General were both open seats in which no incumbent was running for either office. [In that November, New Yorkers elected Averell Harriman as Governor and Jacob Javits as Attorney General.]

Citizens Union has again been fortunate to benefit from the good work of the members of the all-volunteer Local Candidates Committee, who contributed many hours during this summer to interview candidates and gather in meetings to share information and evaluate the candidates. We have considered many sources of information in making our preference decisions, but none more important than candidates' positions and actions on issues of reform.

Sincerely,

**Rich Davis**  
Chair, Board of  
Directors

**John Horan**  
Chair, Local  
Candidate Committee

**Dick Dadey**  
Executive Director

**Doug Israel**  
Local Candidates  
Staff Director



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## ABOUT THIS DIRECTORY

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This directory lists every contest for public office that will be on the ballot in New York City on September 12, 2006. Voters should be aware that New York's tangled election laws often result in the last minute elimination (or reinstatement) of candidates.

Many key contests for State Assembly and State Senate seats have been evaluated by nonpartisan interview teams from Citizens Union's Local Candidates Committee. However, we do not evaluate every race for public office. This year, for the first time ever, Citizens Union has taken the historic step of evaluating candidates for statewide office. Citizens Union does not evaluate candidates for federal office or candidates for the judiciary.

This year's interview teams were charged with soliciting candidates' views on key proposals aimed at reforming the legislative process in Albany, assessing the candidates' general experience, and their knowledge of district, city, and statewide issues. No single answer by a candidate ensures – or rules out – a preference.

Recommendations for a "Preferred" rating are made by the Local Candidates Committee on the basis of the interview, research, an issues questionnaire, and first-hand knowledge of the candidate. These recommendations are reviewed by the Citizens Union Board, which makes the final decision. The "Preferred" rating reflects a candidate that Citizens Union deems not only qualified for the office being sought, but committed to an agenda of positive reform in Albany. Candidates not preferred may nevertheless be highly regarded by Citizens Union. These distinctions are generally reflected in the commentaries. The "Preferred" rating will apply for the Primary Election only. Citizens Union will be issuing "Endorsed" ratings for the General Election contests.

A "No Preference" rating may result when there is insufficient information available, when one or more of the candidates has not been interviewed, or when a determination has been made that the candidates are of equal merit. Only candidates that have been interviewed can receive our preference.

All maps were supplied by the Community Mapping Assistance Project (CMAP)
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2006 PRIMARY ELECTION CANDIDATE PREFERENCES

**STATEWIDE**

Governor Eliot Spitzer (D)  
Attorney General Andrew Cuomo (D)

**BROOKLYN**

Senate District 18 Velmanette Montgomery (D)  
Senate District 20 Eric Adams (D)  
Senate District 21 Kevin Parker (D)  
Assembly District 43 Jesse Hamilton (D)  
Assembly District 46 Alec Brook-Krasney (D)  
Assembly District 57 Hakeem Jeffries (D)

**MANHATTAN**

Senate District 30 Bill Perkins (D)  
Assembly District 68 John Ruiz (D)  
Assembly District 72 Adriano Espaillat (D)  
Assembly District 74 Brian Kavanagh (D)

**QUEENS**

Senate District 13 John Sabini (D)  
Assembly District 22 Terence Park (D)

**STATEN ISLAND**

Senate District 24 Robert Helbock (R)



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## CONTESTED PRIMARIES

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### FEDERAL ELECTIONS

#### UNITED STATES SENATE

TERM OF OFFICE: SIX YEARS • SALARY: \$165,250

#### Democratic Primary

**Hillary Rodham Clinton (D)**

Jonathan B. Tasini (D)

#### Republican Primary

K.T. McFarland (R)

John Spencer (R)

#### UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

TERM OF OFFICE: TWO YEARS • SALARY: \$150,000

#### BROOKLYN

##### Democratic Primaries

District 10      **Edolphus Towns (D)**

Charles Barron (D)

Roger L. Green (D)

District 11      Carl Andrews (D)

Yvette D. Clarke (D)

David S. Yassky (D)

District 13\*    **Vito Fossella (I)**

Anita Leman (I)

#### BRONX

##### Democratic Primary

District 17      **Eliot L. Engel (D,WF)**

Jessica Flagg (D)

#### STATEN ISLAND

##### Independence Primary

District 13\*    **Vito Fossella (I)**

Anita Leman (I)

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### STATEWIDE ELECTIONS

#### GOVERNOR

TERM OF OFFICE: FOUR YEARS • SALARY: \$150,000

##### Democratic Primary

Eliot Spitzer (D,WF,I)

Tom Suozzi (D)

#### ATTORNEY GENERAL

TERM OF OFFICE: FOUR YEARS • SALARY: \$150,000

##### Democratic Primary

Andrew M. Cuomo (D,WF)

Mark Green (D)

Charlie King (D)

Sean Patrick Maloney (D)

##### Green Party Primary

Carl Person (G)

Rachel Treichler (G)

*\*District includes portions of Brooklyn and Staten Island*



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## CONTESTED PRIMARIES

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### NEW YORK STATE ASSEMBLY

TERM OF OFFICE: 2 YEARS • SALARY: \$79,350

#### BRONX

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##### Democratic Primaries

District 79     **M. Benjamin (D,WF)**  
Sigfredo Gonzalez (D)  
Wilbert T. Lawton (D)

District 80     **Naomi Rivera (D)**  
Joseph A Thompson (D,C)

##### Conservative Primary

District 77     Anthony Curry (C)  
Kathleen B. Larkins (C)

#### BROOKLYN

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##### Democratic Primaries

District 40     Kenneth Evans (D)  
**Diane Gordon (D)**  
Winchester Key (D)

District 43     **Karim Camara (D,WF)**  
Jesse Hamilton (D)

District 46     Alec Brook-Krasny (D,WF)  
Ari Kagan (D)

District 56     **Annette Robinson (D,WF)**  
Richard Taylor (D)

District 57     Bill Batson (D)  
Freddie Hamilton (D)  
Hakeem Jeffries (D,WF)

District 59     Abraham Levy (D)  
**Alan Maisel (D)**

##### Republican Primary

District 60\*     Anthony Xanthakis (R,C)  
Joseph Cammarata (R)

#### MANHATTAN

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##### Democratic Primaries

District 68     Edward Gibbs (D)  
**Adam C. Powell IV (D,WF)**  
John Ruiz (D)

District 69     **D. J. O'Donnell (D,WF)**  
Francisco A. Spies (D)

District 72     Francesca Castellanos (D)  
**Adriano Espaillat (D,WF)**  
Miguel Estrella (D)

District 74     **Sylvia Friedman (D,WF)**  
Brian Kavanagh (D)  
Juan Pagan (D)  
Esther Yang (D)

*\*District includes portions of Brooklyn and Staten Island*



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## CONTESTED PRIMARIES

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### QUEENS

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#### Democratic Primaries

District 22	Julia Harrison (D) Terence Park (D) Ellen Young (D,I)	District 39	Carmen F. Enriquez (D) <b>Jose R. Peralta (D,WF)</b>
District 25	Morshed Alam (D,R) Rory Lancman (D,WF)	<b>Republican Primary</b>	

District 28	Dolores Maddis (R,C) Walter Schmidt (R)
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### STATEN ISLAND

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#### Republican Primary

District 60*	Joseph Cammarata (R) Anthony Xanthakis (R,C)
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### NEW YORK STATE SENATE

TERM OF OFFICE: 2 YEARS • SALARY: \$79,350

### BRONX

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#### Democratic Primaries

District 36	<b>R. H. Thompson (D,WF,I)</b> Crystal Wade (D)
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### BROOKLYN

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#### Democratic Primaries

District 18	Tracy Boyland (D) <b>V. Montgomery (D,WF)</b>	District 21	Noach Dear (D) <b>Kevin Parker (D,WF)</b>
District 20	Eric Adams (D,WF) Anthony Alexis (D) Guillermo Philpotts (D)	District 25*	Martin Connor (D) Ken Diamondstone (D,WF)

### MANHATTAN

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District 25*	<i>See Brooklyn Above</i>
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*\*District includes portions of Brooklyn and Manhattan*



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## CONTESTED PRIMARIES

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### QUEENS

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#### Democratic Primaries

District 10	Shirley Huntley (D) <b>Ada L. Smith (D,I,WF)</b>	District 13	Hiram Monserrate (D) <b>John Sabini (D,I)</b>
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### STATEN ISLAND

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#### Republican Primary

District 24	Robert Helbock (R,C) Andrew J. Lanza (R)
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### CIVIL COURT JUDGESHIPS

TERM OF OFFICE: 10 YEARS • ELECTED COUNTYWIDE OR BY DISTRICT •  
SALARY: \$125,600

### BROOKLYN

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#### Democratic Primary - Countywide

Dena Douglas (D)	Philip Smallman (D)
John Serpico (D)	Jacqueline Williams (D)
Robin Sheares (D)	Pia Wood (D)

### MANHATTAN

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#### Democratic Primary

District 2	District 7
Margaret Chan (D)	Rita Mella (D)
David Cohen (D)	Mary Rosado (D)
Andrea Masley (D)	

### STATEN ISLAND

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#### Independence Primary - Countywide

Kim Dollard (I)	Ralph Porzio (I)
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