STATE OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

ERIC T. SCHNEIDERMAN
ATTORNEY GENERAL

KENT T. STAUFFER
EXECUTIVE DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL
DIVISION OF STATE COUNSEL

JUNE DUFFY
ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL IN CHARGE
LITIGATION BUREAU

February 17, 2012

VIA ECF FILING AND HAND DELIVERY

The Honorable Gerard E. Lynch
United States Court of Appeals
for the Second Circuit
40 Foley Square
New York, NY 10007

The Honorable Reena Raggi
United States Court of Appeals
for the Second Circuit
40 Foley Square
New York, NY 10007

The Honorable Dora L. Irizarry
United States District Court
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, New York 11201

Re: *Favors v. Cuomo, et al.*, Case No. 11-Civ.-5632 (DLI-GEL-RR)

Dear Judges Irizarry, Lynch and Raggi:

The Office of the Attorney General represents defendants Andrew M. Cuomo, and Robert J. Duffy in the above-captioned action, in which plaintiffs seek judicial intervention into the process of redistricting for New York State. I write in response to the Order To Show Cause why the Panel should not appoint a Special Master at this time. Defendants Cuomo and Duffy take no position on this issue.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Joshua Pepper
Joshua Pepper
Assistant Attorney General

cc: All counsel (via ECF)