New York City 9/11 Ballot Initiative Overview

Why we need a new, independent NYC 9/11 Commission

- Researchers have documented at least **115 errors and omissions** in the report issued by the Bush appointed 9/11 Commission.
- Of the 400 questions submitted to the Commission by victim's families, approximately **250 were never addressed**, including how WTC Building 7 was demolished.
- ♦ The 9/11 Commission publicly stated **their goal was not to determine who was responsible for 9/11**, later admitting "**they largely acted upon political considerations**," and were lied to by NORAD and "too soft in questioning Mayor Rudolph Giuliani," further proving their investigation was a whitewash.
- Fire Engineering Magazine stated there was good reason to believe that the "official investigation" blessed by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and run by the American Society of Civil Engineers is a "half-baked farce that may have been commandeered by political forces whose primary interests ... lie far afield of full disclosure". (from \$elling Out the Investigation, Jan. 2002)
- FEMA removed crucial crime scene evidence, an unprecedented violation of federal and local law.
- According to an Oct. 2004 Zogby poll of New Yorkers, less than two in five (36%) believe that the 9/11 Commission "answered all the important questions about what actually happened on September 11th." In a May 2006 Zogby national poll, 45% said that so many unanswered questions about 9/11 remain that Congress or an International Tribunal should re-investigate the attacks.

Objective of the NYC 9/11 Commission

The objective of the Commission will be to conduct a comprehensive, fact-driven investigation and follow the evidence wherever it leads. The Commission will call upon expert witnesses from all related fields with the goal of producing a report revealing how the events of 9/11 occurred and who was responsible. Additionally, the Commission will focus on securing health, financial, and legal remedies for the thousands of people adversely affected by 9/11, now and in the future, who are currently being denied desperately needed services.

It's been said that all politics is local. Let's make justice and democracy local. By signing this petition *you* can be part of the process of obtaining a new, independent investigation led by a Commission including the members listed below:

Ed Asner, actor/activist, former Pres. Screen Actors Guild

Dr. William Pepper, International Attorney **Ralph Schoenman**, Bertrand Russell Tribunal **Thomas Gumbleton**, Roman Catholic Bishop

Dr. Edgar Mitchell, Apollo 14 Astronaut **Lincoln Chafee**, former Republican Senator **Lorie Van Auken**, 9/11 widow and "Jersey girl" **Splitting-the-Sky**, Mohawk tribal member

Creation of Office of NYC Attorney General

To be successful, this Commission will require strong legal representation to enforce its subpoena power. For this reason, the initiative includes the creation of the office of NYC Attorney General. Additionally, the NYC AG will represent groups of New Yorkers to enforce their rights as to job protection, denial of benefits, medical care, tenant rights, and the rights of voters to have a meaningful role in their own governance. The duration of this office will match that of the investigation unless extended by statute. **Carl E. Person**, an antitrust and civil rights lawyer and member of the New York bar since 1962, is designated in the Petition as the New York City Attorney General.

Instructions

Signers and witnesses must be registered voters. You may obtain a petition in the following ways:

Please go to www.nyc911initiative.org to download a petition. Be sure to print and mail the entire petition. Come to St. Marks Church on Sundays at 6:30 pm, located at 2nd Ave. & 10th Street in the East Village. Call our Hotline at 646-537-1755 and leave your name and address to have a petition mailed to you.

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