

CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

ED QUATREVAUX, INSPECTOR GENERAL



June 14, 2012

Ms. Ruthie Frierson, Chair
Citizens for One Greater New Orleans
384 Walnut Street
New Orleans, LA 70118

Dear Ms. Frierson,

I am writing to express my gratitude for the assistance Citizens for One Greater New Orleans gave in two recent and important legislative actions.

The first provided the NOLA Office of Inspector General with administrative subpoena authority and made its documents privileged under law, both of which will strengthen the OIG.

The second piece of legislation was the attempt to strip funding for the state OIG from the appropriations bill. Had it succeeded, it could have encouraged a nascent counter-reform movement to un-do much of what has been accomplished by Citizens and others after Katrina. But Citizens' leadership drew on its relationships across the state and engendered powerful public opposition to this ploy to reduce oversight of state government. In my opinion, the state OIG exists today only because of those efforts.

Thanks to you and all the Citizens for your invaluable help.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Ed Quatrevaux".