



THE NEW YORK REPUBLICAN STATE COMMITTEE

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CHAIRMAN

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Dear Mr. Zucker:

Recently you told your network and its viewers that “words matter.” I couldn’t agree more, but I want to remind you that so do facts and CNN’s interview editorial decisions, especially where conflicts, nepotism, and airtime for candidates are involved.

As you are well aware, many Americans are skeptical of CNN, and for good reason. It is clear that Democrats and liberal views get more favorable treatment on your network.

Why would your network, whose top talent is the brother of Andrew Cuomo, give the Governor a virtual monologue on his show?

And, is Chris Cuomo involved in or consulted on any editorial decisions involving his brother?

Governor Cuomo (who fought strongly having to participate in a televised debate) was desperate to change the conversation and negative media coverage after his angry performance against his opponent Marc Molinaro. The letter bombs and CNN gave him that opportunity.

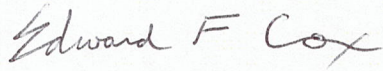
Disturbing also was Governor Cuomo’s inaccurate and reckless announcement on national television that he, too, was a victim of the mail bombs. Despite this claim being swiftly debunked by the NYPD, your network never bothered to correct this false claim, and in fact, still [hosts](#) it prominently on the CNN site. You cannot deny that is the continuation of fake news.

By featuring Andrew Cuomo at least five times in less than three days on the network, including a lengthy appearance on his brother’s show, CNN far exceeded accepted news programming parameters and smacks of nepotism. I am writing to formally request equal time for our gubernatorial candidate, Marc Molinaro.

In addition, while your network spends a lot of air time decrying the President and other’s tone and actions, CNN has remained silent with respect to Andrew Cuomo’s corruption, mismanagement and gaffes that garnered national coverage on every other 24-hour cable news network. As you hold other politicians accountable, you should do same with the governor of a major state and potential candidate for president, instead of giving him the platform to dishonestly present himself as a paragon of integrity and civility.

Our party's standard bearer, Marc Molinaro, is an accomplished leader running for Governor of the fourth largest state in the nation, and deserves to have equal time on your network.

Sincerely,



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