



Chairman DeMarco calls for examination of Weinstein and Hallam

PITTSBURGH – The mounting evidence implicating both John Weinstein, and Bethany Hallam in the most unsavory sort of politics, demands action.

I am not a lawyer, and will not pretend to know all the nuances of the law, but as a citizen and a member of Allegheny County Council, I know that the allegations raised against both Weinstein and Hallam call for a close examination. Legalities aside, the seemingly quid pro quo alleged in news reports is exactly the kind of backroom politics Allegheny County cannot afford.

Ms. Hallam's conduct on county council has often lacked courtesy. We must now ask if it also lacks ethics.

I am calling on Ms. Hallam to step aside from her post chairing county council's government reform committee. It is apparent that she is not a reformer.

And I second the recent call by former Commonwealth Court Judge Robert Byer for a grand jury to examine this increasingly questionable affair.

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