

Senator Brad Hoylman-Sigal Responds to Attacks by James Dolan on Fox 5's "Good Day New York"

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**State Senator Brad Hoylman-Sigal** said: "In his public meltdown on Fox 5 this morning, James Dolan showed why Albany should pass our legislation (S2424) and close the 'sporting event' loophole in our Civil Rights Law that allows Dolan to ban fans from Madison Square Garden using facial-recognition technology, simply because they work at law firms with clients he deems opposed to his financial interests.

James Dolan is the poster child of privilege, as someone who inherited his wealth and receives an annual \$43 million dollar tax break from New Yorkers. Given Dolan's condescending attitude towards the rest of us, it's not surprising that he's taken to criticizing the 'Clean Slate' bill to give New Yorkers with criminal convictions a second chance and publicly humiliating honest and hardworking civil servants like the CEO of the State Liquor Authority.

New York shouldn't allow petty tyrants to impose their warped fantasies on the public while reaping millions each year from taxpayer subsidies. I'm grateful to both the New York State Attorney General and the Manhattan District Attorney for launching inquiries into Dolan's vindictive business practices intended to silence his critics."