

SHAME ON YOU

MELISSA MARK-VIVERITO

In December 1998, you won the right to buy your townhouse at 211 East 111th Street from the NYC Partnership Development Fund. This was a lottery held for people earning from \$32,000 to \$70,950. This was for people without a substantial net worth.

In 1997, you and your family sold three hospitals in Puerto Rico for \$165,000,000. One Hundred and sixty five million dollars. Your signature was on the document and you received a substantial sum of money. The New York Post claims that you are worth \$1.8 million.

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Eight City Council members are millionaires.

By Sally Goldenberg

The richest, according to Conflicts of Interest Board records released yesterday, is Domenic Recchia (D-Brooklyn).

Recchia, who has a private law practice, is worth as much as \$3.45 million.

"I'm a full-time city councilman and I have a law practice. We also do a lot of pro bono work for the community," he said.

All council members are considered part-time employees and are therefore allowed to hold other jobs.

Councilwoman Inez Dickens (D-Manhattan) is in second place, with a net worth of up to \$2.7 million.

Three members are each worth as much as **\$1.8 million**: Lew Fidler (D-Brooklyn), **Melissa Mark-Viverito** (D-Manhattan) and Thomas White (D-Queens).

"The forms are very misleading . . . I'd rather people not think of me as some abnormally wealthy guy," Fidler said.

In fact, he said, he had to refinance his home to send his son to the University of Pennsylvania this year.

Councilwoman Gale Brewer (D-Manhattan), whose net worth is up to \$1.5 million, has most of her money in stocks and mutual funds.

YOU DID NOT QUALIFY FOR THE TOWNHOUSE. A DESERVING FAMILY WOULD HAVE OWNED THIS HOME. YOU SHOULD BE ASHAMED. DID YOU FILE THE APPLICATION AND LEAVE OFF THIS HIGH NET WORTH? DID YOU COMMIT FRAUD. OUR COMMUNITY DEMANDS AN INVESTIGATION !