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Mayoral Candidate Sal Albanese set to debate JFK and LGA landlord and Mayor Bill deBlasio

Who said these words?

"I would not hesitate to drag the FAA into court."

Brooklyn's [Sal Albanese](#) did - a former 11-year John Jay High School teacher and 15-year City Councilmember and very likely our next NYC Mayor.

You probably didn't know it but the City of New York is the landlord of both JFK and LGA airports.

And the fact that our current Mayor and landlord of the airports has failed to enforce the environmental clauses in the lease between the City of New York and the operators of the airports - effectively holding the tenant accountable to the terms of their lease - speaks volumes about who is really behind the deBlasio administration.

You can see the pertinent lease clause [here](#) and the lease's front page, [here](#).

And that's why New York City needs a Mayor with the guts to stand up to the monied interests of the airlines, the arrogance of the FAA and the corruption of the Port Authority.

And you probably also didn't know that the very few and bold U.S. politicians and mayors who have threatened to drag the FAA into court have brought much sought-after noise and pollution relief to their cities from the FAA's disastrous NextGen navigation system that continues to sicken and pollute communities across the U.S. with its low-flying aircraft: depressing residents, reducing property values and forcing many to leave their once liveable neighborhoods - all in the name of airline profits.

Some interesting facts about New York City's next Mayor, Mr. Sal Albanese, Esq.:

- He was the original sponsor of a Campaign Finance Reform Bill, stating that "If the present system stays in place, you will continue to have a city run for a few wealthy interests and by big business."
- As a City Council Member he supported the NYC gay rights bill that was passed by the New York City Council way, way back in March, 1986.

- As a Council Member, Albanese was a member of the Council's Public Safety, Education, and Transportation committees. He drafted laws requiring mandatory drug testing for school bus drivers and overhauled the previously-failing High School of Telecommunications.
- Despite objections from Mayor Rudy Giuliani, Albanese passed the New York City Living Wage Bill in 1996, which "required some city contractors to pay higher minimum wages to their employees."
- He famously voted against the proposed 1995 and 1996 budgets, arguing that they "balanced the budget on the backs of the middle class, poor, elderly and the youth of this city."
- In 2008, he was part of then-Senator Barack Obama's New York delegation to the Democratic National Convention.

Watch the matchup between Sal Albanese and Bill deBlasio at 7 p.m. this Wednesday, August 23rd on NY1 and on WNYC radio.



***Who do you think understands
New Yorker's better?***