

The Otsego County Chamber

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The Otsego County Chamber **TO HOLD OPEN MEETING REGARDING STATE ISSUES**

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(FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE) *The Otsego County Chamber* announces an open meeting of the Chamber's Business Action Committee to hear from Brian Sampson, Executive Director of Unshackle Upstate.

On Thursday, September 23, 2010 at 8:00 am at the Holiday Inn of the Oneonta/Cooperstown area, Brian Sampson will lead a discussion regarding: A NYS Constitutional Convention, NYS term limits, NYS redistricting, and Judgment Day activities. Unshackle Upstate will not take a stance on the issues regarding the NYS Constitutional Convention or term limits, but will weigh the pros and cons of each issue.

“We have been asked by the membership of *The Otsego County Chamber* about these issues and the process,” said President & CEO Rob Robinson. “Brian Sampson and Unshackle Upstate have followed them closely and can offer our members some good insight.”

Among the Judgment Day activities that will be discussed is the company's 2010 Legislative Scorecard that was released on August 30, 2010. The scorecard essentially identifies which legislators acted in the best interest of taxpayers and job creators. "The business community overall has an abysmal way of representing itself," said Brian Sampson. "A business constitutes one vote versus the multiple votes of taxpayers." The scorecards are part of Unshackle Upstate's Judgment Day campaign aimed at informing taxpayers and holding elected officials accountable.

Members of *The Otsego County Chamber*, their employees and interested parties are invited to hear this important presentation concerning the upcoming elections. The presentations will be followed by a "Question and Answer" session.

Please contact Pam Ferguson at *The Otsego County Chamber* offices, (607) 432-4500 ext 201 or pam@otsegocountychamber.com to secure a seat. RSVPs are required to assure adequate space is available.