

It's the greater chamber

Crain's story was a 'shameful hatchet job'

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Your story "Chamber of Horrors" (June 25) was nothing more than a shameful hatchet job intended to discredit the Greater New York Chamber of Commerce.

I find it outrageous that *Crain's* would smear this organization for supporting mainstream policies, like the \$1.25-an-hour increase in the state's minimum wage that both Mayor Michael Bloomberg and Gov. Andrew Cuomo endorse. As a small business owner, I stand strongly behind the Greater New York Chamber's sound public-policy positions.

It's disgraceful to see *Crain's* masquerade a blatant and politically charged editorial piece as a news item, especially when the target of this attack is an organization whose views are broadly representative of business and New York public opinion. I certainly would expect a business publication to be a little more objective.

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Editor's note: Locker Associates is a business consulting firm that represents unions in corporate restructurings. In addition, Crain's has editorialized in favor of increasing the state's minimum wage.