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The Influentials

The people
whose ideas, power,
and sheer will
are changing
New York
A SPECIAL ISSUE

Mike Fishman

President, 32BJ

Randi Weingarten and the UFT command more headlines; Dennis Rivera and the health-care-workers union hold more sway in Albany. But Fishman has turned 32BJ—known as “the doormen’s union” but representing 60,000 security guards, window cleaners, and supers—into the city union with the greatest electoral potency. Fishman delivers troops and votes for candidates. His members reap the rewards: Fishman and 32BJ didn’t need a messy strike—only the threat of one—or any grandstanding jail term to win the local a generous new contract last month.

(POLITICS)

Elliot Spitzer

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Political gossip

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Deputy mayor

Ray Kelly

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Speaker, City Council

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U.S. senator, New York State

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Foundation president

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U.S. senator, New York State

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