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Many in Connecticut have criticized the Connecticut Insurance Department for approving the proposed Aetna-Humana merger in January without a hearing or even an announcement. I am among the many who also oppose the merger of Anthem with Cigna. Along with Common Cause, I have added my signature Gov. Dannel Malloy to recuse Wade, a former Cigna lobbyist whose husband still works for the company, from review of the Anthem-Cigna merger. Since Cigna is headquartered in Connecticut, Wade is the lead state regulator of that merger, which is under review by 28 states as well as the DOJ's Antitrust Division. The state Citizens Ethics Advisory Board has granted a petition by Common Cause Connecticut to investigate Wade's status and decide whether she must recuse herself. I have signed this petition and agree that she should not be involved in the decision. While the real solution to strengthen our health care system is universal health care, if we resign ourselves to a greed and profit based insurance system, we must at least have a wide and diverse system with room for competition.

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