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Hon. Sol Wachtler  
Chairman of the Administrative Board  
Office of the Court Administration  
100 Supreme Court Drive,  
Mineola, L.I., New York 11501

Dear Mr. Chairman:

My compliments to Your Honor in 'going public' to a far greater degree about the 'justice system' than any of your predecessors, for whom I held in great personal esteem, as I do Your Honor.

I recently received a telephone call from Ms. Shirley Perlman, who I understand covers the judicial bailiwick of Nassau County for Long Island Newsday.

The telephone call from Ms. Perlman was prompted by a 'wire service item' which reported that I had been held in criminal contempt and that the sentence imposed upon me included my writing 2,500 times each day, for one year, "I will obey court orders" and a thesis of at least 100 pages, single spaced, on "the history of the law of contempt".

Obviously the conversation strayed to Puccini Clothes, Ltd. and Mr. Dennis F. Vilella, as well as my own disbarment.

I sensed Ms. Perlman to be a responsible journalist, and in my own disclosures to the media, as Your Honor surely must have recognized, I have attempted to shy away from the 'merchants of sensationalism'.

Consequently, I would appreciate it, Mr. Chairman, if at your earliest convenience, you would give Ms. Perlman an audience.

Most Respectfully,

  
GEORGE SASSOWER

cc: Hon. Sol Wachtler, Court of Appeals, Albany  
Ms. Shirley Perlman