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Hon. Joseph Bellacosa Office of Court Administration 270 Broadway, New York, New York, 10007

Re: Referee Donald Diamond

Honorable Sir:

- 1. Enclose please find a copy of a letter from Kreindler & Relkin, P.C., dated Friday, November 15, 1985, received today, Monday, November 18, 1985 setting down a hearing for Wednesday, November 20, 1985.
- 2a. I know of no Order of the Appellate Division which specifically relegates this matter to Referee Donald Diamond, who I have accused of being a "corrupt fixer" and who, without guestion, has committed other unprofessional, and indeed criminal acts.
- b. Indeed, I have accused him of practically compelling jurists to refer my matters to him, so that he could dispose of him in his "non-public courtroom", where he selectively excludes those who are critical of his methods.
- c. I strongly suggest you have someone incognito present so that you can obtain an impartial view of the method whereby he conducts judicial proceedings.
- 2. I also wish you to explain to me how the most personally disqualified judicial person available in the entire State of New York, can constitutionally adjudicate a criminal contempt proceeding, or any part thereof (see Cooke v. United States, 267 U.S. 517).

Respectfully,

GEORGE SASSOWER

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