

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER

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GEORGE SASSOWER,

Plaintiff,

APPLICATION FOR
REFERRAL OF MOTION

-against-

Index No. 3608-1979

NEW YORK LAW PUBLISHING COMPANY,

Defendant.
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STATE OF NEW YORK)
 : ss.:
COUNTY OF NEW YORK)

Burton M. Abrams, Esq., being duly sworn, deposes
and says that:

1. I am a member of the firm of Abrams & Sheidlower,
counsel for defendant The New York Law Publishing Company
("Law Publishing").

2. I make this affidavit as an application that the
Motion for Protective Order dated February 7, 1983, for an
order vacating and striking plaintiff's Second Set of
Interrogatories be referred to Hon. Matthew F. Coppola.

3. This is one of a number of actions brought by the plaintiff, George Sassower, and members of his family against Surrogate Ernest L. Signorelli, the Surrogate of Suffolk County, various law officials of Suffolk County, publications and others arising out of the service by plaintiff as an Executor under the Last Will and Testament of Eugene Paul Kelly filed for probate in the Surrogate's Court of Suffolk County on May 10, 1972.

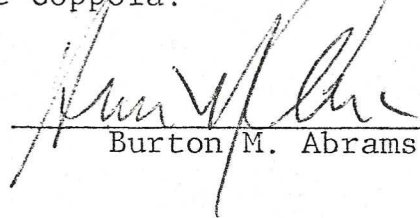
4. Under date of August 13, 1982, defendant moved for a protective order striking plaintiff's First Set of Interrogatories served in this action.

5. Under date of September 2, 1982, said motion was granted by Justice Coppola to the extent of striking ten out of twenty-one separate interrogatories set forth therein. The Second Set of Interrogatories, the subject of this present motion, are merely extensions of the questions posed in the first set and, in large measure, are merely repetitious of the matters originally inquired into and passed upon by Justice Coppola.

6. Justice Coppola has already heard numerous preliminary motions, motions addressed to the pleadings, motions for summary judgment, and motions to dismiss in various of the so-called "Sassower Actions", and is already familiar

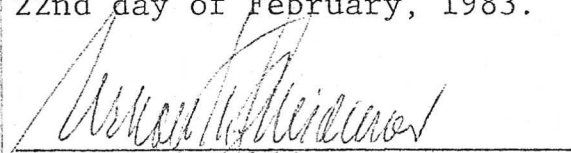
with the factual and legal bases of the claims being asserted by the plaintiffs and the nature of the defenses being asserted by the defendants.

7. It appears proper and in the best interests of judicial efficiency and procedure that the present motion be referred for decision to Justice Coppola.



Burton M. Abrams

Sworn to before me this
22nd day of February, 1983.



Notary Public

ARNOLD M. SHEIDLOWER
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 30-4714929
Qualified in Nassau County
Commission Expires March 30, 1984