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The Hon. Albert M. Rosenblatt Justice of the Supreme Court Supreme Court Courthouse Poughkeepsie, New York 12601

Re: Sassower v. Signorelli Special Term Part I/#75 October 29, 1982

Dear Justice Rosenblatt:

I have received copies of letters to His Honor from George and Doris Sassower dated October 31st and November 2nd, respectively, concerning the Attorney General's application to refer the captioned proceeding to the Hon. Matthew F. Coppola in Westchester County. I am writing at the request of Doris and George Sassower and in an effort to assist this Court in making its determination with respect to the request for referral.

During the past four and one-half years I have represented "Suffolk Defendants" in numerous State and Federal actions and proceedings in courts of original jurisdiction and upon appeal all over the New York Metropolitan Area. There is no question in my mind that all of these judicial proceedings including the captioned proceeding are factually and legally related. I am also firmly convinced that the interest of justice, the public interest, the interest of judicial efficiency and economy as well as the interest of all the defendants and/or respondents cry out and demand that a single New York Supreme Court Justice familiarize himself with the entire history of the "Sassower proceedings" and take a firm hand in making the determinations which are required almost weekly in the course of these related proceedings.

As George and Doris Sassower have implied, Justice Coppola has a number of written and oral applications presently pending before him. He also has had the benefit of extensive oral argument and the parties have submitted literally hundreds of pages of supporting and opposing documentation as well as memorandums of law. I respectfully and sincerely request that this Court exercise



its discretion by granting the Attorney General's application to transfer the captioned proceeding in the interest of justice to the Hon. Matthew F. Coppola.

Respectfully yours,

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