SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF NEW YORK

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GEORGE SASSOWER,

Plaintiff,

-against-

ERNEST L. SIGNORELLI, ANTHONY MASTROIANNI, JOHN P. FINNERTY, ALAN CROCE, ANTHONY GRYMALSKI, HARRY E. SEIDELL, NEW YORK NEWS, INC. and VIRGINIA MATHIAS,

Defendants.

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AFFIRMATION IN OPPOSITION

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STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF SUFFOLK) ss:

ERICK F. LARSEN, an attorney admitted to practice in the New York State Courts affirms the following under penalties of perjury:

This affirmation is submitted in opposition to the plaintiff's application returnable July 29, 1983, in Special Term, Part 1A, upon behalf of defendants, MASTROIANNI, Public Administrator of Suffolk County, and FINNERTY, Sheriff of Suffolk County.

Both the plaintiff, GEORGE SASSOWER, and your affirmant, upon behalf of the Suffolk defendants, have made application and cross-applications to re-argue and/or renew the previous applications of the parties which resulted in the two decisions of the Hon. Bruce McM. Wright dated June 20, 1983 (motion numbers 9 and 65 on the calendar of May 24, 1983).

Extensive affidavits and supporting exhibits have been submitted to Justice Wright, both upon the original applications of the parties and upon the motion and cross-motion to re-argue and/or renew. In addition, Justice Wright has pending before him additional separate applications of the parties concerning plaintiff's demand for documents.

More importantly, in open court upon the May 24, 1983, return date, Judge Wright upon the consent of all parties indicated that he would consider and decide all of the outstanding original applications of the parties concerning discovery <u>together</u> and at one time.

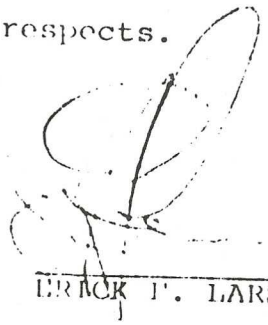
The current application of the plaintiff to strike the answers of defendants, MASTROIANNI and FINNERTY raises no new facts or law. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the instant application be referred to Justice Wright for determination in connection with all the other directly related matters in this proceeding which are currently under his consideration.

As has been expressly indicated in previously related submissions by your affirmant, plaintiff's factual assertions are strongly contested by the Suffolk defendants. However, in order to avoid inappropriate irrelevant and completely unnecessary dialogue, your affirmant declines to specifically respond to the plaintiff's assertions.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that

the plaintiff's application be referred to Justice Wright and that it be denied in all respects.

Dated: July 22, 1983
Hauppauge, NY



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