UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

GEORGE SASSOWER, individually and as trustee of the trusts created by EUGENE PAUL KELLY, and by his Estate, and those similarly situated, or to be benefited thereby,

NOTICE OF MOTION

CV-86-3797

(ML)

Plaintiff

~against-

VINCENT G. BERGER, JR.; ANTHONY MASTROIANNI; Surrogate ERNEST L. SIGNORELLI; CHARLES Z. ABUZA; Hon. HARRY SEIDELL; RICHARD C. CAHN; ROBERT M. CALICA; MARTIN B. ASHARE; THE SURROGATE'S COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK, COUNTY OF SUFFOLK; THE SHERIFF OF SUFFOLK COUNTY; Hon. SOL WACHTLEP; Hon. JOSEPH W. BELLACOSA; Hor. MILTON MOLLEN, Individually and on behalf of the APPELLATE DIVISION OF THE SUPREME COURT, SECOND JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT; Hon. MOSES M. WEINSTEIN; Hon. ISAAC RUBIN; and Hon BURTON S. JOSEPH,

Defendants.

TO: GEORGE SASSOWER, Esq.
Plaintiff pro se
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MARTIN BRADLEY ASHARE Suffolk County Attorney H. Lee Dennison Building Veterans Memorial Highway Hauppauge, NY 11788

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the undersigned will bring on

a motion:

- 1. To dismiss the action because the complaint fails to state a claim against the judicial defendants upon which relief can be granted.
- 2. To dismiss the action because this Court lacks jurisdiction over the subject matter.

This motion is returnable December 1, 1986 before

JUDGE JACOB MISHLER, United States Courthouse, Uniondale Avenue

and Hempstead Turnpike, Uniondale, New York, at 9:30 o'clock in

the forenoon of that day or as soon thereafter as counsel can

be heard.

Dated: November 28, 1986

DEWEY LEE

Assistant Attorney General ROBERT ABRAMS, Attorney General

of the State of New York Attorney for Judicial Defendants 190 Willis Avenue Mineola, NY 11501 (516) 742-3053

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Desendants.

STATE OF NEW YORK) S.S.: COUNTY OF NASSAU)

DEWEY LEE, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

- I am an Assistant Attorney General in the Nassau County office of New York State Attorney General ROBERT ABRAMS and am assigned to represent the judicial defendants:
 - a. Surrogate Ernest L. Signorelli,

Honorable Harry Seidell, b.

The Surrogate's Court of the State of C. New York, County of Suffolk, Honorable Sol Wachtler,

d.

Honorable Joseph W. Bellacosa,

Honorable Milton Mollen, individually and on behalf of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, Second Judicial Department,

- g. Honorable Moses M. Weinstein,
- h. Honorable Isaac Rubin, and
- i. Honorable Burton S. Joseph.
- 2. This affidavit is submitted in support of the annexed motion to dismiss the complaint.
- 3. Pursuant to <u>Sassower v. Signorelli</u>, Nos. CV 84-2989, 78 C 124, 77 C 1447 (EDNY), a memorandum of decision and order dated March 4, 1986 (memorandum annexed), the plaintiff has failed to pay any of the \$2,661.25 as attorney's fees and costs entered in those actions.

DEWEY LEE

Assistant Attorney General

Sworn to before me this 28th day of November, 1986

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SHIRLEY BEDOR ORTEGO NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York No. 4809430 Qualified in Nassau County Term Expires /0/3/8%

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JUDICIAL DEFENDANTS'
MEMORANDUM OF LAW

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT ABRAMS

Attorney General of the State of New York Attorney for Judicial Extender:

190 Willis Avenue Mineola, New York 11501 (516) 742-3053

Of Counsel:

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FACTS

The plaintiff has once again filed another lawsuit arising out of his handling of the estate of Eugene Paul Kelly. It is respectfully submitted that this Court needs no recitation of the underlying facts.

POINT I

SINCE THE PLAINTIFF HAS
PAILED TO PAY ATTORNEY'S
FEES AND COSTS AS DIRECTED
BY THIS COURT, THE COMPLAINT
SHOULD BE DISMISSIO

In Sassower v. Signorelli, Nos. 77 C 1447, 78 C 124, CV 84-2989, memorandum of decision and order dated November 29, 1964 (see annexed), this Court directed "Sassower to refrain from filing any further suits ... until Sassower pays the attorney's fees and costs." Id. at 14. On March 4, 1986, this Court awarded \$2,661.25 as costs. (See annexed.) Plaintiff has failed to pay any of the moneys.

Having failed to pay the costs, Sassower is barred from the filing of further lawsuits, and thus, the complaint should be dismissed.

POINT II

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THE JUDICIAL DEFENDANTS ARE ABSOLUTELY IMMUNE FROM LIABILITY UNDER SEC. 1983

This Sec. 1983 lawsuit seeks to sue eight (8) judges and one (1) court. However, <u>Pierson v. Ray</u>, 386 US 547 (1967) absolutely bars Sec. 1983 actions against judges.

The complaint should be dismissed since the judges and the court are absolutely immune from liability.

POINT III

THE ELIVENTH AMENDMENT
BARS FEDERAL COURT
JURISDICTION OVER PLAINTIFF'S
CLAIMS

The Eleventh Amendment deprives federal courts of subject matter jurisdiction over actions against States. It is immaterial whether the State is actually named as a party. If the action includes as defendants individual State officials but the State is the real party in interest, the action is against the State. Pennhurst State School & Hospital v. Halderman, 104 S. Ct. 900, 908-909 (1984).

The Plaintiff is, therefore, absolutely barred from maintaining this action.

POINT IV

THE COMPLAINT FAILS TO STATE A CLAIM UPON WHICH RELIEF CAN BE GRANTED

The plaintiff asks this Court to order the judicial defendants to bring to an "expeditious conclusion" a contempt proceeding, to take "administrative steps as may be necessary to prohibit the unbridled control of con-summary criminal contempt proceedings by civil adversaries", and to shield the plaintiff from "retaliatory action".

This plaintiff has brought numerous actions in both federal and state courts and he has been rebuffed by every court and by every appellate forum. He simply does not have a claim upon which relief can be granted.

To the extend that the plaintiff brings any new claims, they all concern a pending state court action in which his appropriate remedy is to appeal the matter. The judicial defendants respectfully request this Court dismiss the complaint.

CONCLUSION

THE COMPLAINT SHOULD BE DISMISSED IN ALL RESPECTS, AND FEES AND COSTS ASSESSED AGAINST PLAINTIFF

Dated: November 28, 1986

DEWEY LEF

Assistant Attorney General

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Willis Avenue, Mineola, N.Y. 11501 ented for settlement and signature herein and entered in the office of the Clerk take notice that the within is a true ROBERT ABRAMS, Attorney General, County, on

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