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Re: Grievance Comm. v. Geo. Sassower

Dear Mr. Selkin,

I received in today's mail the "supplemental affirmation" of Robert H. Straus, Esq. dated September 30, 1985, in an envelope bearing an internal post-mark of October 1, 1985, annexing the Orders of the Appellate Division, First Department.

I would appreciate at least five (5) business days to respond to same, in detail!

Since Mr. Straus has refused or ignored my demands that he obtain an affidavit of Hon. Alvin F. Klein and Hon. David B. Saxe that they believe the Orders of Criminal Contempt constitutionally valid, the proceedings should be dismissed.

Indeed, apparently, Mr. Straus will not even assert the validity of these criminal contempt orders by his own affidavit nor will any member of his committee execute an affidavit that they believe the convictions valid.

The same request is made directly to the Justice of Appellate Division, First Department in this matter, to wit., that any one of them execute an affidavit that he believes the convictions to be constitutionally valid (United States v. Agurs, 427 U.S. 97)!

I suggest that Mr. Straus cannot find any american judge who is law school graduate who will execute such an affidavit. I suggest that Mr. Straus cannot find a single respectable american decision since Bloom v. Illinois (391 U.S. 194) to support the validity of these orders. I further suggest that Mr. Straus has a Brady v. Maryland (372 U.S. 97) obligation. I suggest the wrong person is in the dock!

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cc:

Robert H. Straus, Esq. Hon. Theodore R. Kupferman

Hon. Joseph P./Sullivan

Hon. David Ross

Hon. Arnold L. Fein

Hon. Ernst H. Rosenberger