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Re: George Sassower, Esq. Docket No. K-671-1984

Dear Mr. Straus:

I enclose herewith a copy of the transcript of a hearing conducted on April 22, 1985 in an action entitled "Jerome H. Barr and Citibank, N.A., as Executors' of the Will of Milton Kaufman, plaintiffs, against Hyman Raffe, defendant" (New York County Index No. 16792/80) in which Mr. Sassower is disqualified.

I direct your attention to that portion of the transcript, starting at page 4, where Judge Schackman "recognized the fact that a number of times, over the protest of plaintiff's attorneys, [Mr. Sassower] conferred with [Mr. Raffe's attorney of record] in the courtroom." Judge Schackman further stated that Mr. Sassower "had a duty to get out of this case altogether and not appear in any way, shape or form" after he was disqualified. As a result of such conduct, Judge Schackman directed Mr. Raffe's present attorney, Sam Polur, Esq., not to confer with Mr. Sassower for the duration of the trial. I am further advised, although I was not present, that thereafter Messrs. Sassower and Polur violated this direction and on two separate occasions Mr. Sassower was ordered to leave the courtroom.

Judge Schackman's observation concerning Mr. Sassower's open violation of the disqualification Order confirms what has continuously occurred for the past

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several months since Mr. Polur became attorney of record for Mr. Raffe in this one action: that Mr. Sassower has made every court appearance with Mr. Polur and has openly discussed the case with him and advised him what to do and say. In addition, acting in concert with Mr. Sassower, Mr. Polur has personally served two Summonses, upon my firm in direct violation of the permanent injunction Order and has signed affidavits in proceedings in which Mr. Sassower is disqualified which contain the precise type-face and polemic style of affidavits signed by Mr. Sassower. These affidavits are obviously written by Mr. Sassower, in violation of the disqualification Order.

Very truly yours,

Donald F. Schneider

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