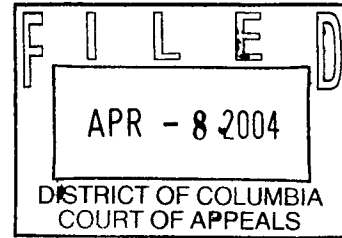


District of Columbia
Court of Appeals



No. 04-OA-17

ELENA RUTH SASSOWER,

Petitioner,

v.

M4113-03

HON. BRIAN F. HOLEMAN, *et al.*,

Respondents.

BEFORE: Farrell and Glickman, Associate Judges, and Nebeker, Senior Judge.

ORDER

On consideration of the petition for writ of mandamus, certiorari and certification, the attachments thereto, and petitioner's motion for stay and disqualification, it is

ORDERED that the petition for writ of mandamus, certiorari and certification is denied. The petitioner has failed to show a clear and indisputable right to issuance of the writ of mandamus. *See Banov v. Kennedy*, 694 A.2d 850, 857 (D.C. 1996). Petitions for a writ of certiorari seek to invoke an appellate court's discretionary review and are not issued by this court since its jurisdiction is established by statute. D.C. Code § 11-721 (2001). Nor is a writ of certification justified since the issues in question involve D.C. law and cannot be answered by the highest court of another state. D.C. Code § 11-723 (2001). It is,

FURTHER ORDERED that petitioner's motion for stay and disqualification is denied. Petitioner has failed to meet the standard necessary to justify a stay, *see Barry v. Washington Post Co.*, 529 A.2d 319 (D.C. 1987), nor shown an adequate basis for her alternative request that we disregard that standard. Similarly, the requested disqualification of all members of this court is not only impractical, it has, as discussed in the Superior Court's August 2003 memorandum explaining its denial of petitioner's motion for change of venue, no basis in fact. The petitioner has failed to identify any support for her blanket assertion that the courts and judges of this jurisdiction cannot be impartial in cases, such as her's, which involve the United States Congress.

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