

May 20, 1986

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New York State Commission
on Judicial Conduct
801 Second Avenue
New York, NY 10017
Attn: Mr. Gerald Stern, Director

Dear Mr. Stern:

Following up last week's conversation, I am writing to confirm at your request that, unfortunately, I have become personally aware that Judges Reap and Holden of the City Court of White Plains have both engaged in two of the more egregious practices condemned by your Commission in its 1985 Annual Report:

(1) Conditioning dismissal of criminal charges against Defendants upon their waiving rights to sue municipal officials for damages;

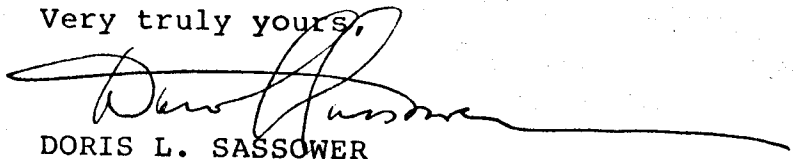
(2) Ex parte conversations with prosecution or law enforcement personnel undermining the possibility of a fair trial and unbiased judgment.

These charges can be readily documented by a transcript of the Court proceedings. However, the court proceedings on May 15, 1986 wherein the remarks were again made by Judge Reap were not recorded, and Judge Reap refused my request for a Court Reporter so that his remarks could be put on record. However, they were made in open court before the Chief Clerk and other Court personnel.

A copy of my memo to the file relative to the proceedings on that date, and my memo of 5/14 are enclosed for your information. As you will note, they show other serious breaches of judicial ethics which, I believe, will be of concern to your Commission.

Please feel free to call upon me for further assistance.

Very truly yours,



DORIS L. SASSOWER

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Encl.

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Ms. Doris L. Sassower, P.C.
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Dear Ms. Sassower:

This is to acknowledge receipt by the State Commission on Judicial Conduct of your complaint dated May 20, 1986

Your complaint will be presented to the Commission, which will decide whether or not to inquire into it. We will be in touch with you after the Commission has had the opportunity to review the matter.

For your information, we have enclosed some background material about the Commission, its jurisdiction and its limitations.

Very truly yours,

Lee Kiklier
Administrative Assistant

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Dear Ms. Sassower:

The State Commission on Judicial Conduct has completed its review of your letter of complaint dated May 20, 1986. The Commission has asked me to advise you that it has dismissed the complaint.

Upon careful consideration, the Commission concluded that there was insufficient indication of judicial misconduct to warrant further inquiry.

Very truly yours,

Albert B. Lawrence
Clerk of the Commission

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