Via Fax: 694-5018

- TO: GANNETT NEWSPAPERS--Tom Anderson, his Editors, and Publisher
- FROM: ELENA RUTH SASSOWER
- DATE: Saturday morning, 9:35 a.m.
- RE: Your Libelous and Malicious story appearing in today's newspaper--Saturday, April 4, 1992.

This is to record the fact that ten minutes ago, at 9:25 a.m., I recieved an offensive and insulting telephone call from a reader of your newspaper who told me that she was "sick and tired" of reading the kind of stories about Doris Sassower and her daughter that have been appearing in your paper.

She refused to identify herself, but told me she would "write an editorial" to the Gannett newspapers. Before I could even say anything in defense of myself or my mother, she hung up on me.

Immediately thereafter, I attempted to call the Metro Desk (694-5014)--but no one picked up the telephone.

Since I have to leave right now for work, I will be further in touch with you about today's latest example of your grossly defamatory and irresponsible journalism.

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ELENA RUTH SASSOWER

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TO: GANNETT NEWSPAPERS--Tom Anderson, his Editors, and Publisher

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FROM: DORIS L. SASSOWER

DATE: Saturday afternoon, 3:15 p.m.

RE: Your latest libelous and malicious story appearing today, Saturday, April 4, 1992.

This is to record the fact that at 12:50 p.m. today, I received a threatening telephone call from a man who stated that "the ways of the Sassowers will be bombed tonight at 6 p.m., fuck off".

I consider this threat to be a direct result of the deliberate smear campaign that Gannett has conducted against me. You have deliberately, and without justification, incited such hostility in the community as to now present a threat of physical harm to me and my family. We hold you responsible for the adverse consequences of today's false, distorted and defamatory story--as well as preceding ones of the same ilk.

The White Plains Police have already been notified. We request that your lawyers contact us <u>immediately</u> so that appropriate steps can be taken to deal with the dangerous situation which has been created by you.

My daughter called up Gannett at approximately 1:30 p.m. She confirmed with Mr. Kieran O'Leary, the editor in charge, that her faxed communication of 9:40 this morning had been received. She also related the foregoing telephone-threat to him.

You are hereby further put on notice that your continuing fraudulent and one-sided reporting of court proceedings constitutes a criminal contempt of court under Sec. 750(6) of the Judiciary Law.

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DORIS L. SASSOWER