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Judge won't delay contempt hearing

A judge denied White Plains lawyer Doris Sassower a stay yesterday in a contempt hearing while she tries to get the judge in that hearing disqualified.

Saying the three-person panel of the Appellate Division of the state Supreme Court may rule on the full issue this week, Appellate Division Justice Isaac Rubin denied the immediate stay.

Sassower claims state Supreme Court Justice Samuel G. Fredman has "feelings of personal bias and prejudice" toward her so he should be bumped from an Aug. 30 hearing. Fredman has vigorously denied any bias as has Sassower's opponent in the contempt hearing, Harvey Landau, a White Plains attorney.

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