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Elena Ruth Sassower, Petitioner-Appellant Pro Se

Appeal of Elena Ruth Sassower, Coordinator of the Center for Judicial Accountability, Inc., acting pro bono publico, against Commission on Judicial Conduct of the State of New York (NY Co. #108551/99: Appellate Division, First Department: September 2001

Term)

RE:

Adjournment/Stay of Appeal to October 2001 Term Pending

Determination of Appellant's August 17, 2001 Motion

DATE:

August 13, 2001

This memorializes that other than a one-sentence July 12th letter of Assistant Solicitor General Carol Fischer, transmitting Deputy Solicitor General Belohlavek's signature to a stipulation extending my time to file my Reply Brief to August 17th, I have received NO response to my June 22nd letter to Mr. Belohlavek. Specifically, I have received NO response from Solicitor General Bansal or from Attorney General Spitzer, each recipients of my June 22nd letter, which I sent them certified mail/return receipt.

August 17th is this Friday. On that date, I will be filing an extremely short Reply Brief. The reason for its brevity is explained in its opening paragraph:

"The *only* reply appropriate to the New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct's Respondent's Brief, submitted by its attorney, the New York State Attorney General, is a motion to strike it, to sanction the Commission and the Attorney General, to refer them for

disciplinary and criminal investigation and prosecution, and to disqualify the Attorney General for violation of Executive Law §63.1 and conflict of interest rules. This, because Respondent's Brief, from beginning to end, is based on knowing and deliberate falsification, distortion, and concealment of the material facts and law – and because the Commission and Attorney General, directly and incontrovertibly, know this to be so, but have failed and refused to withdraw it." (emphases in the original)

Simultaneous with my Reply Brief, I will be filing a motion for the above-indicated relief. Substantiating the motion is my 66-page May 3, 2001 Critique of Ms. Fischer's Respondent's Brief – the accuracy of which Critique you have NOT denied or disputed in any way – as well as my correspondence with each of you relating to your supervisory obligations to withdraw Respondent's Brief under court-adopted rules of professional responsibility and to take other essential corrective steps.

The above-indicated relief is the second branch of my motion. The first branch is to disqualify the Appellate Division, First Department for self-interest and bias, both actual and apparent. As set forth in my Reply Brief, as well as in my motion:

"the very fact that the Attorney General and Commission would put before this Court such a fraudulent Respondent's Brief — and not withdraw it in face of incontrovertible proof — bespeaks their confidence that this Court is not a fair and impartial tribunal and will let them get away with anything. No other conclusion is possible."

I have been informed by the Appellate Division's Motion Clerk, Ron Uzenski, (212-340-0423) that the proper procedure for a motion of this nature is for me to obtain from you a stipulation putting over the appeal to the October 2001 term pending determination of the motion. In the event you will not so stipulate, proper procedure requires that I arrange with you a mutually-convenient time to appear before an Appellate Division justice on an application for the appeal to be adjourned pending determination of the motion. I would request that such time be 3:00 p.m. Friday, August 17th

Please promptly advise as to your preference.

Elena Rat Sassolv

cc: New York State Commission on Judicial Conduct [Fax: 212-949-8864]
ATT: Gerald Stern, Administrator & Counsel

Chairman Henry T. Berger & Commission members

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