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Irving N. Selkin, Esq.  
Appellate Division, Second Judicial Dept.  
45 Monroe Place,  
Brooklyn, New York, 11201

Re: Grievance Comm. v. Geo. Sassower

Dear Mr. Selkin,

1a. Is it necessary for me to execute any further documents in order to waive my right to confidentiality under Judiciary Law §90 in the above proceeding, and if so, what is necessary?

b. Robert H. Straus, Esq., agrees that I have the unbridled right to waive such confidentiality!

2a. My judicially filed papers in your Court allege that I am compelled to waive my right to confidentiality because of the publicity given same by the complainants and those acting in concert with them.

b. In my view, Mr. Straus had the ability, if not the obligation, to terminate such transgressions, but, as I understand the facts, failed to do so!

c. That obligation by Mr. Straus (see Disciplinary Rule 1-103), in my view, was mandatory, since I was, by a corruptly secured nisi prius order restrained from communicating with the Grievance Committee, in order to make complaint by the publishers of same!

3. If I must obtain a formal order from your Court, will a "so ordered" stipulation suffice?

4a. Furthermore, I understand that Mr. Straus will have my client, Mr. Hyman Raffé, testify.

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b. Since some of his testimony will prejudice him in pending litigation with third parties, particularly if he chooses to waive the attorney-client privilege, and I am compelled to respond, can I provide that such testimony be kept confidential until the third party litigation is over?

c. Your advise and suggestions, would be very much appreciated.

Very truly yours,



GEORGE SASSOWER

GS/h

cc: Hon. Michael M. Potoker  
Robert H. Straus, Esq.