

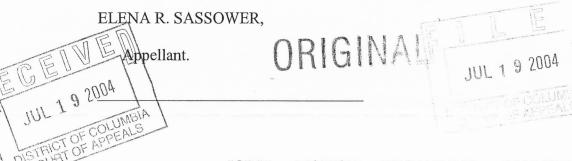
IN THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA COURT OF APPEALS

UNITED STATES

Appellee,

v.

Case No. 04-CM-760 M4113-03



JOINT MOTION REGARDING COUNSEL-GOLDSTONE MOTION TO WITHDRAW, AND SASSOWER MOTION TO REPRESENT HERSELF PRO SE.

1. Elena Sassower, Appellant pro se and Mark Goldstone, Attorney advisor to pro se Sassower in the trial court, jointly move this court to allow Sassower to represent herself pro se, and for the withdrawal of Goldstone as attorney.

2. Sassower represented herself pro se in the trial court and conducted her jury trial pro se, and Goldstone served as her attorney advisor. Following her unprecedented sentencing on June 28, 2004 when she was immediately locked up for six months in jail for respectfully requesting to testify following adjournment of a public congressional hearing in 2003, Goldstone filed a motion for emergency relief with the Court of Appeals.

3. Goldstone never intended to become her attorney, and Sassower never intended to relinquish her pro se status.

4. The effect of Goldstone filing a motion with the Court of Appeals, has been to have the Court treat Goldstone as

"counsel" and to not recognize Sassower as "pro se." This has led to Sassower being stripped of her pro se designation without her consent, and has limited her ability to communicate with the Court, and to receive important communications from the Court regarding her case.

5. Therefore, in order to continue as pro se, and to receive communication from the Court, and to communicate directly with the Court, Goldstone seeks leave of this Court to withdraw his appearance pursuant to Rule 42 (b). And Sassower requests leave of the Court to continue her self-representation pursuant to Rule 42 (c).

COnclusion

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully prayed that the relief requested in this joint motion be granted.

Respectfully submitted

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that on the 19^{7n} day of July, 2004, a copy of the

foregoing was served by mail upon the attorney for the appellee, John P. Mannarino, Assistant United States Attorney, United States Attorney for the Distict of Columbia, Judiciary Center, 555 4th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20530.

Mark Goldstone