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**State of New York - Court of Appeals
Supreme Court of the State of New York**

**Robert A. Ficalora as assignee of Montauk Friends of
Olmsted Parks, inc., a not-for-profit corporation established
under the laws of the State of New York**

Plaintiff,

- against -

**The town board government of East Hampton
and
Sunbeach Montauk II, inc., as claimant fee title holder to the
Hither Plain Reservation and Bathing Reservation
properties in Montauk.**

Defendants.

**Motion for
Re-argument**

In re:
mo. no. 508/SSD 31
(bench motion and sua
sponte dismissal of
May 1st, 2001)

Suffolk: 98-14806

Return date 6/12/2001

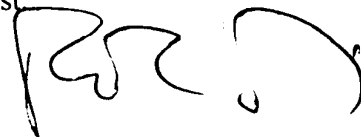
May it please the court: upon the ~~attached~~^x/promised notice of withdrawal of Joel R. Kupferman, Esq., and the May 31st, 2001, affidavit of Robert A. Ficalora and the attachments thereunto, appellant Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks corporation does hereby move for re-argument and reversal of this court's *sua sponte* dismissal of May 1st, 2001.

The question submitted for review is the legal authorized representation of the corporation before this court. The procedural history of the corporation's appeal has been considered by the court and requires no further treatment herein. This motion for re-argument is served within 30 days of the May 1st decision and order and is, therefore, timely.

Appellant admits that the record of the corporation's litigations in other matters contains a Notice of Appearance by attorney Joel R. Kupferman, Esq., that has not been withdrawn pursuant to CPLR 321(b) as required by law. Appellant does therefore now understand the court's decision and pray forgiveness and allowance that the irregularity may be corrected..

We do pray that the court accept that the belated formal withdrawal of attorney Kupferman leaves the authorized representative of the corporation as assigned according to law, that it will reverse its May 1st decision and allow this appeal to continue and be heard, and that it will grant such other and further relief as the court deems equitable and just.

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**Affirmation of
Service**

Rargument of
mo. no 508/SSD 31

Suffolk No.
98-14806

Robert A. Ficalora does herewith affirm under the penalty of perjury that I did send three copies each of the Motion for Re-argument and supporting affidavit by enclosing said papers in a sealed postpaid envelope and depositing them with the United States Postal Service by PRIORITY MAIL delivery on this thirty first day of May, 2001 addressed to:

ESSEKS, HEFTER & ANGEL, ESQS.

Attorneys for

Sunbeach Montauk Two, inc.

108 East Main Street - P.O. Box 279

Riverhead, New York 11901

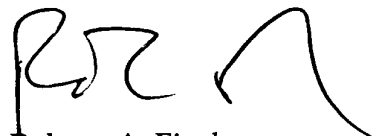
CAHN, WISHOD & KNAUER

Attorneys for the *town board government of East Hampton,*

425 Broad Hollow Road - Suite 315

Melville, N.Y. 11747

(516) 752-1600



Robert A. Ficalora
assignee, acting president
MFOP/Montauk Trustee Corp.

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Defendants.

**Affidavit of
R. A. Ficalora
upon Motion
for
Re-argument**

In re:
mo. no. 508/SSD 31

Suffolk: 98-14806

Suffolk County: }
 } sworn statement:
State of New York }

Robert A. Ficalora, duly sworn, deposes and says

I am the founder and acting president of the Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks (MFOP) corporation and am fully familiar with all of the facts and circumstances heretofore had herein. I appear on behalf of the corporation by assignment of the acting board of Trustees on November 7th, 2000 (attachment A).

An emergency board meeting of the corporation was held on May 24th, 2001, to consider the legal status of the corporation's former attorney Joel R. Kupferman with the belief that the court considers him attorney of record of the corporation. This new understanding of the court's consistent dismissals of our cases, led us to discover and admit our error.

As a result, subsequent to discussions with attorney Kupferman and deliberation on how we might correct our position before the court, board members Steven Corwin, Richard Monahan and Helen Ficalora did approve a resolution accepting Mr. Kupferman's formal withdrawal as attorney of record for the corporation (attachment B). Mr. Kupferman has determined that he will serve his notice of withdrawal upon all parties herein and the court. We do, therefore, believe that the corporation has met the requirements of CPLR § 321 (b) for the change or withdrawal of attorney.

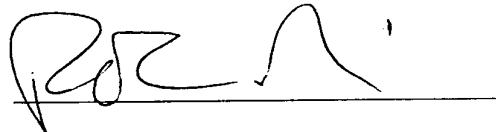
We now move this court for re-argument on the ground that the only remaining authorized representative of the corporation according to law is myself, Robert A. Ficalora, pursuant to a resolution of assignment dated November 7th, 2000.

The law that established that a corporation may appear by assignee is:

Apart from the fact that the affidavits failed to supply facts sufficient to support the finding that the assignments were made to circumvent the provisions of CPLR 321 preventing a corporation from appearing in person, the motive for the assignments is immaterial (citations omitted). The assignments, patently valid, transferred all of the interests of the assignor to the plaintiff and he thereby acquired the right to enforce the claims by action (GENERAL OBLIGATIONS LAW, § 13-105). Nor does public policy require us to invalidate the assignments. Significantly, the statute (CPLR 321, subd. [a]), does not extend the prohibition against a corporation appearing for itself in our courts to an assignee (cf. General Corporation Law, § 218). The objection to a corporation appearing in person is that it is not a natural person and must act through its agents; therefore, in legal matters it must act through licensed attorneys. But when it assigns its cause of action to a natural person, for whatever reason, the statute authorizes the latter to prosecute the action in person. *dissenting opinion Herman A. Kamp as Assignee of AAA Stretch Inc., Appellant, v. In Sportswear, Inc., Respondent, Supreme Court, Appellate Term, First Department, 1972. 70 Misc. 2d 898-9 Full citation: 39 A.D.2d 869, 332 N.Y.S.2d 983, reversed. on dissenting opinion at Appellate Term, 70 Misc. 2d 898, 335 N.Y.S.2d 306. Emphasis added.*

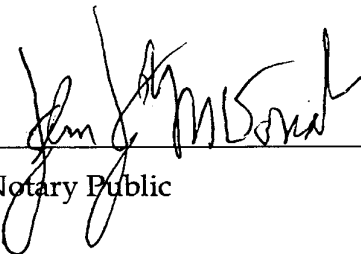
Repeated assignments of its causes by the Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks corporation have been made to its founder and acting president, Robert A. Ficalora. We assert that an obligation was legally created and acted upon in good faith and that the corporation's failure to secure a formal notice of withdrawal of attorney Joel Kupferman should be deemed by this court to be a non-critical irregularity that has now been corrected.

We do, therefore, move this court to grant this motion for re-argument finding that the corporation has corrected the irregularity in the record of it's legal representation, to reverse its decision and order of May 1st, 2001, allowing the perfecting of this appeal, and to provide such other and further relief as it may deem equitable and just.



Robert A. Ficalora

Sworn to before me this 31st day of May, 2001



Notary Public

JOHN J. MCDONALD
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York
No. 01MC5037839, Suffolk County
Commission Expires 2013

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Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks, Inc.
P.O. Box 2612
Montauk, NY 11954
(631) 668-3119
email: trustees@montauk.com



Resolution of Assignment

11/7/2000

On November 7th, 2000, we, the undersigned board of directors of the Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks/Montauk Trustee corporation, having convened and considered the common law of the State of New York as established by in Kamp as assignee of AAA Stretch, inc., Appellant v. In Sportswear, inc., Respondent 39 A.D.2d 869, 332 N.Y.S.2d 983, *reversing on dissenting opinion of Mr. Justice Lupiano*, 70 Misc 2d 898, 899; 335 N.Y.S.2d 306, our past assignment of corporate causes before the Supreme Court of the State of New York to our acting president Robert A. Ficalora in attempted conformity with the law, and the decision and order of the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court of the State of New York entered on October 23rd, 2000, which dismissed our past assignments as invalid, do herewith attest our

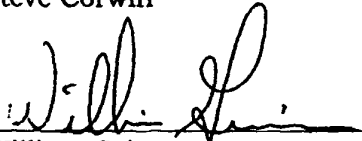
Resolve: that Mr. Ficalora is and for the present shall continue to be assigned the power and responsibility to represent this corporation in all of the corporation's matters before the court including and especially its pending cause in the matter of Robert A. Ficalora as Assignee of the Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks corporation vs. the town board government of the Town of East Hampton, et. ano., filed with the Suffolk County Clerk as cause no. 98-14806, and that he shall do so in return for one dollar and other good and valuable consideration.



Steve Corwin



Helen Ficalora



William Grimm



Daniel Grimm



Richard Monahan



B

**State of New York - Court of Appeals
Supreme Court of the State of New York**

**Robert A. Ficalora as assignee of Montauk Friends of
Olmsted Parks, inc., a not-for-profit corporation established
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Plaintiff,

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Defendants.

Corporate
Resolution
A. D. Case No.
99-02065

To the honorable magistrates of the court: on this twenty-fourth day of May, 2001, the board of directors of the Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks corporation did resolve that:

Whereas, this matter was commenced and maintained by this corporation by its assignee, Robert A. Ficalora, according to it's common law right to appear by a non-attorney and upon the belief that he was the only authorized representative of the corporation before this court, and

Whereas, this court has repeatedly held, most recently by its decision of May 1st, 2001, and without a supporting decision by the Appellate Division, that Mr. Ficalora is not the authorized representative of the corporation, and

Whereas, the language of the decision and the consistency with which it has been applied indicates that the court believes that an authorized representative other than Mr. Ficalora actually exists, and

Whereas, by resolution 25 October 1997 this board did retain attorney Joel Kupferman, Esq., to represent it in a matter against the Brooklyn Historical Society together with our assignee Mr. Ficalora, and

Whereas, by resolution dated 05 June 1998 this corporation did determine that Mr. Kupferman had become unavailable, and that its assignee would continue the matter on behalf of the corporation *pro se*, and

Whereas, Mr. Kupferman did on 15 June 1998 notice his appearance on the corporation's behalf in the cause against the Brooklyn Historical Society, and

Whereas, on June 30th 1998 our assignee Mr. Ficalora did then file the complaint in the matter *sub judice*, and

Whereas, on 15 October 1999 Mr. Kupferman did reappear at defendant Brooklyn Historical Society's insistence and did sign a substantially amended, un-agreed upon surprise preliminary conference agreement that would have effectively ended the action, and upon which our assignee did file a timely motion to strike; and

Whereas, on 26 October 1999 this board did determine to not renew its agreement with Mr. Kupferman, and


Whereas, in considering the high court's consistent determination in all of the corporation's actions before the court that Mr. Ficalora is not "the" authorized representative, and upon information and belief a corporation cannot be concurrently represented by both an attorney and an assignee without permission of the court and no such permission has been obtained, and that Mr. Kupferman has never filed a notice of withdrawal nor has the corporation noticed the court of Mr. Kupferman's dismissal, it has been considered that Mr. Kupferman remains the authorized representative to the court, and

Whereas, as a result of the corporation's apparent situation, Mr. Kupferman has chosen to formally withdraw from representation retroactive to 26 October 1999, and

Whereas, the Easthampton Trustee corporation currently receives approximately 5% of Montauk tax dollars in violation of an 1851 order of this court (see accompanying book "MONTAUK"), has facilities and a full-time attorney, and we do assert that we are due at least equivalent resources in order to continue this and other requisite actions to the satisfaction of this court, and

Whereas, we retain full confidence in this court and will continue to seek due process of law as a matter of lawful right,

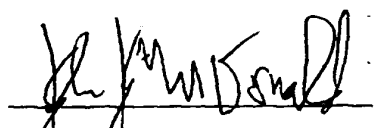
It is, therefore, resolved that the formal withdrawal of Mr. Joel Kupferman, Esq., is accepted and that he is not in any way authorized to represent this corporation or to be considered as attorney of record for the corporation.



ALL REFERENCED DOCUMENTS ARE ATTACHED.

State of New York, County of Suffolk

On this day of ~~MAY 25, 2001~~ before me personally came Richard Monahan to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he resides in Montauk, Long Island, New York, that he is a member of the board of directors of the Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks corporation described in and which executed the foregoing instrument, that he knows the seal of the corporation, that the seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal, that the seal was affixed by order of the board of directors of said corporation and that he did sign his name hereto by like order.



JOHN J. MCDONALD
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York
No. 01MCS037839, Suffolk County
Commission Expires 2005

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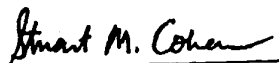
**State of New York,
Court of Appeals**

*At a session of the Court, held at Court of
Appeals Hall in the City of Albany
on the.....first.....day
of.....May..... 2001*

Present, HON. JUDITH S. KAYE, *Chief Judge, presiding.*

Mo. No. 508 SSD 31
Robert A. Ficalora, &c.,
Appellant,
v.
Town Board Government of East
Hampton,
Respondent,
et al.,
Defendant.

The appellant having filed notice of appeal in the above title and due consideration having been thereupon had, it is ORDERED, that the appeal, as taken on behalf of Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks, Inc. by Robert A. Ficalora, be and the same hereby is dismissed without costs, by the Court sua sponte, upon the ground that Robert A. Ficalora is not appellant's authorized legal representative (see, CPLR 321(a))


Stuart M. Cohen
Clerk of the Court

Resolution

The Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks Corporation (Corporation), recognizing and supporting the actions at law brought on behalf of its acting president to stop illegal land use adjoining the Hither Plain Reservation property, this 25th day of October, 1997, does hereby and herewith

Resolve, the resolution of this board of October 10th, 1997, is hereby affirmed and attorney Joel R. Kupferman, Esq., is retained to represent the corporation in matters currently before the court together with corporate assignee Robert A. Ficalora; and

Resolve, that the Corporation will become an Associate Member of the New York Environmental Law Project, inc., for a two year period at an agreed upon monthly rate of \$100 with the understanding that the Corporation is in formation and that the balance may accrue to an amount not greater than \$600 unless otherwise agreed upon.

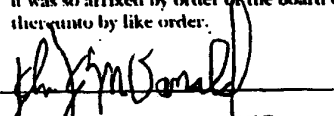
Resolve, that legal work in excess of the membership privileges will be paid at a rate of \$150 per hour, to be billed monthly, with the understanding that the balance may accrue to an amount not greater than \$600 unless otherwise agreed upon.

Resolve, that this resolution is to be affixed with the corporate seal of the Corporation and filed with the County Clerk of the County of Suffolk.


Robert A. Ficalora
acting president, MFOP inc.

State of New York, County of Suffolk

On this day of October 28th, 1997, before me personally came Robert A. Ficalora to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he resides at 6755 Bellevista Pl NW, Olympia Washington, 98502, that he is the acting president of the Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks Corporation, the corporation described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order of the board of directors of said corporation and that he signed his name thereto by like order.


JOHN J. McDONALD
NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York
No. 01MCS037338, Suffolk County
Commission expires 10/31/97

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CLERK OF SUFFOLK COUNTY

6/29/98 Affidavit of Robert A. Ficalora
Att C - Resolutions of Assignment


Resolution of Assignment

The directors of the Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks corporation, in considering its position before the Supreme Court of the State of New York at this time, does resolve that:

- 1.) The attorney retained by our resolution of October 25th, 1997, has relocated and is unavailable, and
- 2.) The corporation has insufficient funds to hire or otherwise retain council, and
- 3.) Our acting president, Bob Ficalora, does continue the act before the court on behalf of the corporation *pro se*, and
- 4.) Mr. Ficalora is competent to represent the corporation in these matters and has been successful in obtaining important orders from the court on the corporation's behalf, and
- 5.) We have full faith and trust in Mr. Ficalora to uphold both the purposes for which the corporation was established and the trust which the corporation has taken action to assume,

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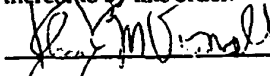
It is, therefore, resolved that this board does continue to assign to Robert A. Ficalora the power to represent this corporation before the courts of the State of New York with full indemnity by the corporation.



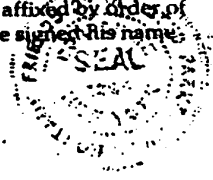
 Robert A. Ficalora, acting president, MFOP

State of New York, County of Suffolk

On this day of June 5th, 1998, before me personally came Robert A. Ficalora to me known, who, being by me duly sworn, did depose and say that he resides at 6753 Bellevista Pl NW, Olympia Washington, 98502, that he is the acting president of the Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks corporation, the corporation described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order of the board of directors of said corporation dated 6/3/98, and that he signed his name thereon by like order.



 JOHN J. McDONALD
 NOTARY PUBLIC, State of New York
 No. 01MC5037739, Suffolk County
 Commission Expires 12/31/99



6/29/98 Affidavit of Robert A. Ficalora
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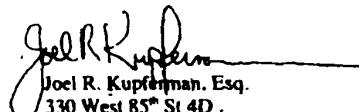
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Notice of Appearance by Joel R. Kupferman, Esq., 6/15/98
SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF SUFFOLK

<p>MONTAUK FRIENDS OF OLMSTED PARKS, INC., a not-for-profit corporation established under the laws of the State of New York.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Plaintiff.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">-against-</p> <p>THE BROOKLYN HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC., a not-for-profit corporation established under the laws of the State of New York (formerly the Long Island Historical Society); and Ms. Irene Tichenor as director thereof.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Defendants.</p>
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<p>Index No. 97-14076</p> <p>Justice</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOTICE OF APPEARANCE</p>

Joel R. Kupferman, Esq., an attorney duly licensed to practice law under the laws of the State of New York, hereby and herewith notices his appearance on behalf of the Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks corporation.


 Joel R. Kupferman, Esq.
 330 West 85th St 4D
 NYC, NY 10024
 (917-414-1983)

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 EDWARD P. ROMANE
 CLERK OF SUFFOLK COUNTY

Correspondence/Notices
Notice of Appearance by Joel R. Kupferman, Esq., 6/15/98
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Complaint

SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK
COUNTY OF SUFFOLK

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Robert A. Ficalora as assignee of Montauk Friends of
Olmsted Parks, Inc., a not-for-profit corporation established
under the laws of the State of New York

Complaint

Plaintiff,

Index

- against -

No. 98-14806

The town board government of East Hampton
and,

Hon. _____

Sunbeach Montauk II, Inc., as claimant fee title holder to the
Hither Plain Reservation and Bathing Reservation properties
in Montauk.

Defendants.

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EDWARD P. ROMAINE
CLERK OF SUFFOLK COUNTY

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Parties

1 Robert A. Ficalora is founder and acting president of the Montauk Friends of
2 Olmsted Parks corporation designated by resolution of assignment by its board of
3 directors to represent the corporation before this court for the purposes for which it
4 was established.

5 The town board government of the Town of East Hampton (Town) asserts the
6 powers of a municipal corporation and operates under the Town Law of the State of
7 New York.

8 Sunbeach Montauk II, inc., (Sunbeach) is a corporation established under the
9 laws of the State of New York.

10 **Claims**

11 At all times mentioned defendant Sunbeach has asserted the unsettled claim
12 of valid title in fee simple to two Reservation properties in Montauk shown and

Preliminary Conference Stipulation and Order, 10/15/98

SUPREME COURT, ¹ COUNTY OF Suffolk
INDIVIDUAL ASSIGNMENT PART [or JUSTICE] D. J. E.

Medical Practice of Christopher J. E.
Plaintiff(s)

- against -
Geology Historical Society
Defendant(s)
Kene Tichauer

INDEX NO. 14076-97

PRELIMINARY CONFERENCE
STIPULATION AND ORDER
(§§ 202.8 and 202.12 of the
Uniform Rules)

[All items on the form must be completed unless inapplicable.]

It is hereby STIPULATED and ORDERED that disclosure shall proceed as follows:

- (1) **Insurance Coverage:** If not already provided, shall be furnished by N/A on or before _____.
- (2) **Bill of Particulars:**
 - (a) Demand for a bill of particulars shall be served by 10/30/98 on or before _____.
 - (b) Bill of particulars shall be served by 11/30/98 on or before _____.
 - (c) A supplemental bill of particulars shall be served by N/A as to Items _____ on or before _____.
- (3) **Medical Reports and Authorizations:** N/A
Shall be served as follows: _____
- (4) **Physical Examination:**
 - (a) Examination of N/A shall be held _____.
 - (b) A copy of the physician's report shall be furnished to plaintiff within N/A days of the examination.

¹ Substitute County Court where applicable.

31-101a-200ps

(5) Depositions: Depositions of Plaintiff(s) Defendant(s) All Parties shall be held at office of TRACU, Seat 1, Court 40 US 57 St, NY, NY. Continuance from day to day until completed in accordance with giving of notice.

(6) Other Disclosure: (a) All parties, on or before N/A, shall exchange names and addresses of all witnesses, statements of opposing parties and photographs, or, if none, provide an affirmation to that effect. (b) Authorization for plaintiff(s)' employment records for the period shall be furnished on or before N/A. (c) Demand for discovery and inspection shall be served by Plaintiff on or before 10/30/98. The items sought shall be produced to the extent not objected to, and objections, if any, shall be stated on or before 11/30/98. (d) Other [interrogatories, etc.] N/A

(7) End Date for All Disclosure (must be within 12 months): 10-11-98

(8) ~~Inspection~~: Add necessary party 12-30-98. Shall be completed on or before

(9) Motions: Any dispositive motions(s) shall be made on or before 7/15/99

(10) Note of Issue: ~~12/30/98~~ shall file a note of issue/certificate of readiness on or before. A copy of this stipulation and order, an affirmation stating that the terms of the stipulation and order have been complied with, and an affidavit of service of the affirmation and note of issue shall be served and filed with the note of issue on or before said date.

(11) If a motion relating to disclosure has raised additional disclosure issues, the parties agree as follows: to respond, move or object within 30 days + consult with assigned judge's law secretary by conference call to resolve these issues

(12) Compliance conference shall be held on ~~11/15/98~~. Defendants reserve their rights to assert a defense & nothing in this order is or should be construed to constitute an admission, confession or admissions that Plaintiff has standing to bring or maintain this action or that Plaintiff has the right to take discovery.

91-1516-37000

Failure to comply with any of these directives may result in the imposition of costs or sanctions or other action authorized by law.

Dated: 10-15-98

Joel R. Kupfermann
Attorney for Plaintiff(s)

Carmelo Alder Vargas
Attorney for Defendant(s)

Attorney for Defendant(s)

Dated:

SO ORDERED:

Robert W. Jones
J.S.C. (or J.C.C.)

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Preliminary Conference
Preliminary Conference Stipulation and Order, 10/15/98
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Resolution of Assignment

On this 26th day of October, 1999, we, the undersigned directors of the Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks corporation, in considering the pressing issue of representation of the corporation by its acting president and assignee Robert A. Ficalora, does herewith resolve that:

Whereas, attorney Joel R. Kupferman, Esq., had been retained by resolution of this board dated 10/25/97 for a two year period together with our assignee, a period which has now expired, and

Whereas, Mr. Kupferman has failed to return phone calls or deliver promised affidavits and other papers, and

Whereas, in any event, Mr. Ficalora has been representing the corporation as assignee under our resolutions made on 10/25/97, 6/3/98 and 8/17/98, and,

Whereas, we are without funds to retain or hire an attorney, and

Whereas, there are multiple actions before the court which require immediate attention, and

Whereas, we have full faith and trust in Mr. Ficalora to uphold both the purposes for which the corporation was established and the trust which this corporation has taken action to assume, it is hereby

Resolved, that our resolution of 10/25/97 retaining Mr. Kupferman is not renewed and that our resolutions assigning Mr. Ficalora the power to represent this corporation are affirmed and amended to the extent that there be no question that Mr. Ficalora is our sole representative before the courts, and

Resolved, that this resolution is to be affixed with the corporate seal of the Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks corporation and filed with the clerk of the County of Suffolk.

Helen Ficalora
Helen Ficalora, director

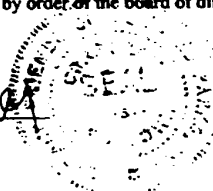
Louise Nielsen
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On this day of October 26th, 1999, before me personally came Robert A. Ficalora to me known, who, being duly sworn, did depose and say that he resides at 6753 Belle Vista Place NW, Olympia WA, 98502, that he is the acting president of Montauk Friends of Olmsted Parks corporation, the corporation described in and which executed the foregoing instrument; that he knows the seal of said corporation; that the seal affixed to said instrument is such corporate seal; that it was so affixed by order of the board of directors of said corporation, and that he signed his name thereunto by like order

John J. McDonald
Notary Public

Robert A. Ficalora
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JOHN J. McDONALD
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Friday, May 25th, 2001
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315 Broadway, 2nd Floor
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BY CERTIFIED PRIORITY MAIL

In re: Our discussion; MFOP/Montauk Trustee board meeting.

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Acting supervisor
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cc: Stewart M. Cohen, Clerk of the Court, Court of Appeals.
Richard Cahn, Esq., attorney for town board government

Defendant Town's answer to Motion to Reargue - June 4th, 2001

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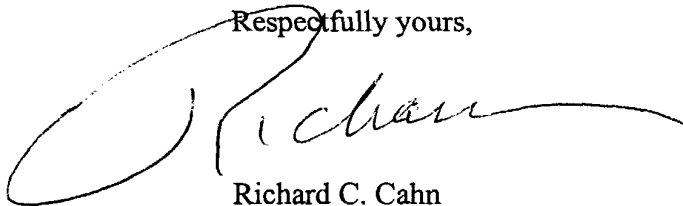
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RCC/pdm
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June 6th, 2001
Ms. Suzanne Aiardo, Esq.
Motions Clerk
New York State Court of Appeals
Eagle Street
Albany, New York 12207

In Re: Appellant's reply upon motion for reargument, ommitted attachments

Dear Ms. Aiardo,

Enclosed please find ten copies of my affidavit in support of the MFOP/Montauk Trustee corporation's reply to the defendant town of East Hampton's answer to its motion for reargument of the court's May 1st *sua sponte* dismissal of our appeals.

Also enclosed are ten copies of the book entitled MONTAUK first published by authority voted at a Town Meeting held in Easthampton in 1925. This document was referenced in attachment B of the affidavit in support of the original motion for reargument but was inadvertently ommitted. As per our discussion of yesterday, three copies were also served upon each of the other defendants joined herein.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. This filing completes submission upon the motion for reargument returnable before the court on June 12th.

Robert A. Ficalora, *pro se*
acting president and assignee
MFOP/Montauk Trustee Corp

Cc: Cahn, Wishod & Knauer, Esqs.(Town)
Esseks, Hefter and Angel, Esqs.(Sunbeach)

**Supreme Court of the State of New York
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- against -

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Defendants.

Reply Affidavit
Re-argument of
mo. no 508/SSD 31

Suffolk No.
98-14806

State of New York }

} sworn statement:

Suffolk County }

Robert A. Ficalora, duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am in receipt of the answer of defendant town board government made by letter of attorney Richard Cahn, Esq., dated June 4th,2001, and attached hereto as attachment A.

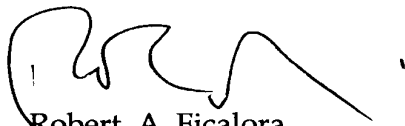
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The corporation has admitted error in proceeding by assignee contemporaneous with an unwithdrawn attorney of record but pleads that the court consider this irregularity to now be corrected in order that it may proceed *nunc pro tunc* to a determination of this matter upon the merits of the causes and complaints presented.

A belated notice of withdrawal has been obtain from former corporate counsel Joel R. Kupferman, Esq., that has been affirmed by the corporation is attached hereto as attachment B in satisfaction of the requirements established in law (CPLR §321(b)).

I do pray on behalf of the corporation that this motion for reargument be granted and the relief sought therein be granted in order that this appeal made as a matter of right be allowed to continue and for such other and further relief as this court deems equitable and just.



Robert A. Ficalora
assignee, acting president
MFOP/Montauk Trustee Corp.

Sworn to me this sixth day of June, 2001



Notary

PATRICK CARPENTER
Notary Public, State of New York
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Defendant town of East Hampton's answer

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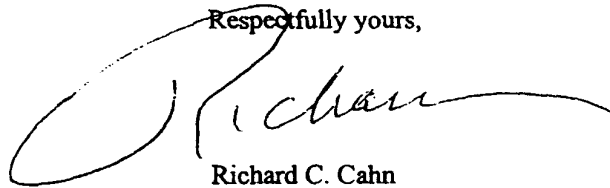
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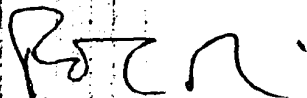
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Honorable Magistrates of the Court:

The corporate appellant herein has considered that my formal notice of withdrawal as attorney of record is requisite in order that it might obtain its desired relief from this court. By my signature and the acknowledgment of the corporation as given below I ask that the court accept my withdrawal as the authorized representative of the MFOF/Montauk Trustee Corporation in satisfaction of CPLR § 321(b) effective October 26th, 1999. As a favor to the corporation and its officers, I do further ask that the assigned representative of the corporation be acknowledged as the authorized representative of the corporation according to law.



Joel Kupferman, Esq.
Attorney at law
385 Broadway
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Robert A. Ficalora
acting president, MFOF
Acknowledgment



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May 29, 2001

Robert A. Ficalora
P.O. Box 2612
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Re: Ficalora v East Hampton

Dear Mr. Ficalora:

This will acknowledge receipt on May 29, 2001 and return herewith of the enclosed papers.

Your appeal was dismissed by the Court on May 1, 2001.

Very truly yours,

STUART M. COHEN

Laurene L. Tracy
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Assistant Deputy Clerk

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cc: Hon. Eliot Spitzer
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Letter to Joel R.Kupferman in re: withdrawal as corporate attorney of record.

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