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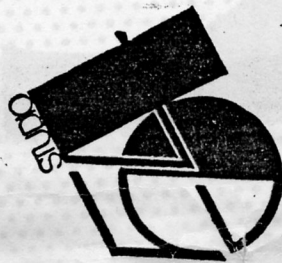
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has consistently demonstrated a deep commitment to her Jewish heritage and a deep concern for the survival of the State of Israel.

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excerpt of letter of endorsement
from Manhattan Chapter of the
Zionist Committee for Israel
269 West 4 Street, New York, New York

In the Democratic Primary on Tuesday, September 12th

ELECT HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN CIVIL COURT JUDGE

Helen E. Goldstein Civil Court Judge because...

Both her legal training and her experience as a mother and widow uniquely qualify her to be a Judge of the Civil Court. As the problems of your city mount and the needs of every person and family increase, our courts must have judges with the highest integrity and qualifications. The Democratic primary on September 12, 1978 gives the voters of the 7th Municipal District of north Manhattan the opportunity to elect this highly qualified Jewish woman to the Civil Court.

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Twenty some years daily trying cases and handling people's problems in the Civil Court gives **HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN** the experience and training to be a great Civil Court Judge.

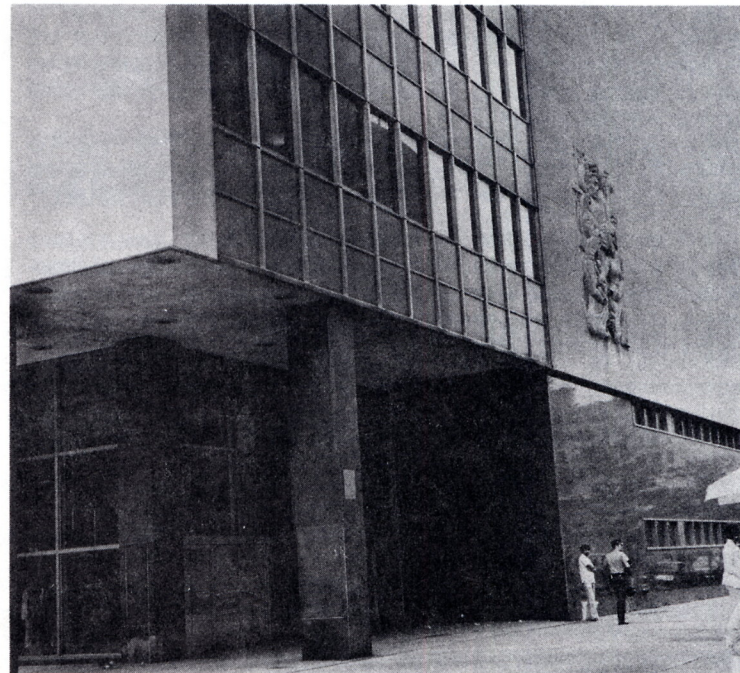
**Mayrose Friedman, former
President of the Metropolitan Woman's Bar Association**

"I am supporting HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN for Civil Court Judge because she has already demonstrated extraordinary legal abilities. Her many years of experience trying cases and handling every type of problem that comes before the Civil Court uniquely qualifies her to be a Civil Court Judge. HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN is the only candidate that will adequately handle the job."

**Melvin L. Block, former President
New York State Trial Lawyers Association**

"I wholeheartedly support HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN for Civil Court Judge because, alone among the candidates, HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN exemplifies the best qualities of professionalism and personal commitment to the principles and concerns that are so close to us as Jews.

**Irwin Kahn, President of the
Jewish Lawyers Guild**



**The Democratic Candidate for
Civil Court Judge
Best Qualified to Protect the Rights of
Tenants, Consumers and Everyone who comes
before the Civil Court is
HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN.**

**Vote for HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN
For Civil Court Judge
Democratic Primary, September 12**

The Manhattan Chapter of the Zionist Committee for Israel

The MANHATTAN CHAPTER OF THE ZIONIST COMMITTEE FOR ISRAEL is a NON-POLITICAL, NON-PARTISAN organization that has been involved in every aspect of both secular and Jewish community life.

Consistently, the Zionist Committee has spoken out against U.S. organizations that have supported or condoned PLO terrorism and the Soviet repression of Jews.

The Committee believes that we, as Jews, must be constantly vigilant against the growth of ANTI-SEMITISM. We routinely evaluate candidates for public office to insure that every person is supportive of our community.

The ZIONIST COMMITTEE FOR ISRAEL evaluated the four candidates for Civil Court Judge; following are synopses of the three candidates who were NOT ENDORSED:

ALEX COLGAN-Rated-"ACCEPTABLE"

Mr. Colgan is currently a Law Assistant in the New York County Supreme Court. We found that although Mr. Colgan lacks the trial experience we believe necessary for a Civil Court Judge, he is an intelligent and well-meaning man. Mr. Colgan has deep roots in the Hispanic community of Hamilton Heights where he lives with his wife, Ydalia, and their two children.

SHIRLEY FINGERHOOD-Rated-"UNACCEPTABLE"

Ms. Fingerhood is a lawyer in private practice. On first glance, this candidate appears qualified, however, a careful reading of her resume shows her membership in the NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD.

We are shocked that a candidate for public office would belong to an organization that has repeatedly taken positions HOSTILE to the JEWISH COMMUNITIES IN THE UNITED STATES, THE SOVIET UNION AND THE STATE OF ISRAEL.

Ms. FINGERHOOD'S FAILURE OR REFUSAL TO DENOUNCE HER ORGANIZATION AFTER THEIR NUMEROUS ATTACKS ON THE STATE OF ISRAEL IS UNCONSCIONABLE. For example, as recently as July of 1977 and again in February of 1978, the NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD ACCUSED ISRAEL OF TERRORIST ACTS AGAINST THE PLO AND ABUSES ON THE WEST BANK.

Faced with this blatantly anti-Semitic allegation, the Guild's refusal to monitor the Shcharansky trial and the Guild's repeated defense of "SKOKIE"-type Nazi demonstrations, we are forced to conclude that Ms. FINGERHOOD's membership in the NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD is, at the minimum, callous insensitivity to our Jewish community or worse barely disguised ANTI-SEMITISM.

Ms. FINGERHOOD'S CONTINUING MEMBERSHIP IN THIS PRO-PLO TERRORIST ORGANIZATION makes her candidacy unacceptable to the MANHATTAN CHAPTER OF THE ZIONIST COMMITTEE FOR ISRAEL.

DINO ZAMUNER-Rated-"ACCEPTABLE"

Mr. Zamuner is a lawyer in private practice; he is an engaging and attractive candidate. Although his trial and litigating experience has not been adequate by our criteria, we believe Mr. Zamuner is acceptable. Mr. Zamuner is active in the Roman Catholic Parish of the Good Shepherd in Inwood.

endorses HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN and Rates her HIGHLY Qualified

Zionist Committee for Israel -Manhattan Chapter-

Dear neighbor,

As members of the community, actively participating in every phase of Jewish and secular life, the members of the MANHATTAN CHAPTER OF THE ZIONIST COMMITTEE FOR ISRAEL are deeply concerned with every election for public office.

We believe that NON-POLITICAL, NON-PARTISAN organizations should routinely evaluate candidates to insure that the voters can make their decisions based on UN-BIASED facts. After evaluating all the candidates for Civil Court Judge, the Committee reached the unanimous decision, that

"... alone among the candidates for Civil Court Judge, only one candidate, HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN, has consistently demonstrated a deep commitment to her Jewish heritage and a deep concern for the survival of the State of Israel.

Her deep commitment on these vital issues, along with her experiences as a lawyer, daily trying cases since 1954, while raising four children as a widow, uniquely qualifies HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN to be a Civil Court Judge.

When evaluating, we looked for more than academic credentials, we looked for a candidate who was truly qualified both by experience and temperament to sit in a Court that hears every landlord-tenant case and every case involving less than \$10,000. ONLY HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN FULLY MET OUR CRITERIA FOR CIVIL COURT JUDGE.

In contrast, none of Goldstein's opponents are satisfactory. Particularly, Ms. Fingerhood's long-time membership in the PRO-PLO National Lawyers Guild shocks our sensitivities; we cannot believe that such a record of PRO-ARAB sentiments can be tolerated by this community.

Finally, we firmly believe that HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN is better qualified as a lawyer to be a Civil Court Judge; her experience daily trying cases and as a volunteer Small Claims Arbitrator are particularly important. Also we are pleased that Mrs. Goldstein has actively participated in our community life as a Mizrahi member, as an active volunteer for the UJA and as a member of the Orthodox Congregation HEICHAL MOSHE.

Sincerely,
The Screening Panel of the
Manhattan Chapter of the
Zionist Committee for Israel

there is a big Difference among the Candidates for Civil Court Judge

HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN is a life-long, native New Yorker. Born February 19, 1932, raised in East New York where she attended the public schools, HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN grew up in the Depression Era; she learned firsthand about the poverty, the deprivation, the anti-Semitism and the ethnic and racial discrimination that has been an unfortunate part of our national history.

Like many of her contemporaries, Helen was able to attend college because there was no tuition to attend CUNY; working to support herself, she was able to attend Queens College and Brooklyn Law School, where she received her law degree in 1954.

Since becoming a lawyer in November 1954, HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN has maintained an active law practice. On a daily basis, Helen has been in the courts: trying cases, fighting for people's rights and helping people with every type of problems. Rather than representing major corporations and the special interests, Helen has been working for the community for the past quarter century.

Despite the increased demands of her profession, as Helen struggled to support her four children and herself after her husband's untimely death, Helen was able to instill in her children a deep respect for their Jewish faith and heritage.

HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN is a tenant activists in her apartment complex, an active volunteer for the United Jewish Appeal and a volunteer Small Claims Court Arbitrator. During the sixties and early seventies, Helen was actively involved in the civil rights and peace movements, particularly in the Lawyers Convocation Against the War.

HELEN E. GOLDSTEIN is a member of Westsiders United (a tenants coalition), American Mizrahi Women, the Metropolitan Women's Bar Association and the New York State Trial Lawyers Association. Helen is also a member of Congregation Heichal Moshe (Orthodox) on the Westside of Manhattan.



ELECT HELEN E. **GOLDSTEIN** CIVIL COURT JUDGE



STATE OF NEW YORK
STATE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT
801 SECOND AVENUE
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June 12, 1979

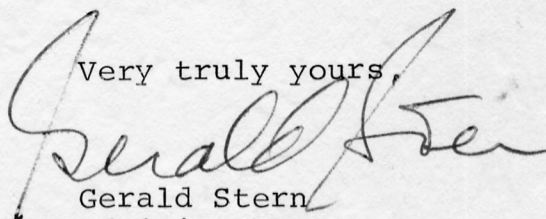
Roy Hollander

Dear Mr. Hollander:

Please be advised that at its meeting of May 21-22, 1979, the Commission on Judicial Conduct voted to confer immunity upon you, pursuant to Section 42, subdivision 2, of the Judiciary Law. Notice of the Commission's intention has been given to the Attorney General of the State of New York and the New York County District Attorney.

Your testimony on June 12, 1979 and any subsequent testimony given to the Commission on an adjourned date shall be pursuant to this grant of immunity.

Very truly yours,


Gerald Stern
Administrator

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Dear Editor:

For about the third time, your Mr. Conason has stated that there is some attempt being participated in by me

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to take over Manhattan politics. This is not only totally false, but silly on its face. I have zero interest in Manhattan politics nor do I live in Manhattan. What disturbs me is the implication that in doing in Manhattan what you write I'm doing but which I am really not doing, Conason attempts to posture me as opposing Mayor Koch. While I'm sure that such opposition would help re-establish the mayor's credentials with your staff, the premise is false. Granted that I am far more conservative on virtually every issue than the mayor, I happen to belong to the vast majority who believe he is doing a refreshingly able and courageous job under virtually impossible circumstances, and I would not associate with any group that would attempt to impede the quality of his performance.

—Roy M. Cohn
East 68th St.

Joe Conason replies: Mr. Cohn's record of involvement with the Lambert campaign makes a mockery of his letter. His clients are affected by Manhattan politics in many ways, not the least being the selection of judges in the First Judicial Department. Material reasons are not, I think, the only ones for Mr. Cohn's evident interest in local politics. I quote from an autobiographical section of his book-length apologia for Joseph McCarthy: "Already [in high school] I had law and politics on the brain. One summer, my father took me to Albany to attend the Constitutional Convention. I . . . watched with awe the shrewd behind-the-scenes steering by Assembly Speaker Irwin Steingut, father of the dynamic Brooklyn Democratic leader, Stanley Steingut . . . I wanted with all my heart to be part of the planning, the color, the action, the cloakroom conversations, the verbal clashes, the maneuvering." Perhaps Mr. Cohn is entering his second childhood.

THESE COMMUNITY PEOPLE WILL BEST SERVE YOU

About our Delegates

Without the hoopla and media interest in the highly visible races for Governor and the hotly contested contests for Assembly and Congress, the election of Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the Judicial Convention receives minimal public attention and is largely forgotten by the voters.
However, that election is not forgotten by the politicians.

In the absence of constant public scrutiny, the old-line political machine with its unelected boss, its patronage hacks and its other assorted sleazy types has a free hand. One looks no further than the other slates running in this district to discover the total political nature of electing judges: among the names are landlord's lawyers, patronage employees, clubhouse hangers-on and other faceless persons to do the bidding of their old-line boss-dominated political machines.

There must be an alternative to the wholesale use of juggships in political deals and bartering. The problems faced by our communities are too GRAVE to settle for less than the finest judges.
To begin with, Judges must be NON-POLITICAL, to guarantee a fair trial to every person who comes into the court. A JUDGE MUST BE TOTALLY INDEPENDENT of the old-line Boss-Dominated Political machines.

NON-POLITICAL Judges are elected by electing **non-political** Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the Judicial Convention.

Our candidates for Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the Judicial Convention are non-political. They are mostly professional people who are community-oriented.

- Our candidates understand that
1. Judges must be tough on criminals; while the law must be administered fairly, a judge must also be concerned with the innocent, law-abiding victims.
 2. Judges must have extraordinary legal experience and a thorough understanding of the law.
- Finally, Judges must be **non-political** to get corruption out of the courthouse.

★ Official Democratic Sample Ballot ★ Primary Day – Tuesday – September 12

Only by electing these totally NON-POLITICAL people from the Chelsea, Greenwich Village, South and East Village communities, the Judicial Convention will nominate the highest calibre NON-POLITICAL judges to serve our neighborhoods.

Column Three

Delegates to the Judicial Convention

- ☒ Mayrose Friedman
- ☒ Phoenix Ingraham
- ☒ Sylvia M. Zucker
- ☒ Herbert W. Katz
- ☒ Joseph A. Bambury, Jr.
- ☒ Edith E. Filosa
- ☒ Dennis P. Casey
- ☒ Rose Weinblatt

(Vote for all eight)

Column Four

Alternate Delegates to the Judicial Convention

- ☒ Estelle L. Katz
- ☒ Harry H. Zucker
- ☒ Minnie L. Flax
- ☒ Marie M. Ryan
- ☒ Donald E. Gomez
- ☒ Philip Frasca
- ☒ Elsie Ginsberg

(Vote for all seven)

(You may take this card into the voting booth with you)

★ Official Democratic Sample Ballot ★

Mayrose Friedman—Attorney, former President of the Metropolitan Women's Bar Association and Chairperson of Surrogate's Committee of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association, long-time advocate of non-political judicial selection, Village resident
Phoenix Ingraham—Attorney, Chief Clerk of the Civil Court. Expert on increasing efficiency of Civil Court proceedings, responsible for thorough-going restructuring of Civil Court bureaucracy, life-long Chelsea resident

Sylvia M. Zucker—Community activist, loud spokesperson for improved management in Penn South and better police protection in Chelsea, active member of Manhattan Chapter—Zionist Committee for Israel, Chelsea resident

Herbert W. Katz—Attorney, Director of New York State Trial Lawyers Association, a leading spokesperson for non-political judges, actively involved in UJA activities and consumer advocacy

Joseph A. Bambury, Jr.—Attorney, executive of major corporation, efficiency consultant (voluntary) for charitable and religious organizations, actively involved in securing better recreation facilities for children, life-time Chelsea resident

Edith E. Filosa—Executive administrator, active in the women's movement and efforts in Chelsea for increased street patrols, actively involved in successful effort to close Elgin theatre

Dennis P. Casey—Lawyer representing City of New York in Family Court, long involved in tenant advocacy, through volunteer legal assistance helps numerous Chelsea residents

Rose Weinblatt—Teacher and East Village activist, opponent of discrimination and ethnic biases in school system, leader in efforts to close methadone (for profit) clinics in the East Village

Only NON-POLITICAL, COMMUNITY-ORIENTED Judicial Convention Delegates and Alternates will represent YOU AND YOUR FAMILY at the Judicial Convention rather than the old-line political bosses.

State Commission on Judicial Conduct

State of New York

801 Second Avenue

New York, N. Y. 10017

In the Name of the People of the State of New York:

To: Roy Hollander

You are hereby commanded to appear and attend before the
STATE COMMISSION ON JUDICIAL CONDUCT, at 42 West 44th Street, New York, New York
on the 8th day of September, 1982, at 9:15 o'clock in the fore noon,
and on any adjourned date thereof, to testify and give evidence as a witness in connection with a proceeding concern-
ing a judge within the state unified court system, conducted pursuant to Sections 42 and 44 of the Judiciary Law.

AND, THAT YOU BRING WITH YOU, and produce at the time and place aforesaid, the following books,
records and papers now under your control or in your possession or custody:

FAILURE TO ATTEND AND PRODUCE the items herein specified may subject you to such penalties and
proceedings as are prescribed by law. Penal Law, Section 215.66, as added in 1978, provides as follows:

§ 215.66 Criminal contempt of the state commission on judicial conduct

A person is guilty of criminal contempt of the state commission on judicial conduct when, having
been duly subpoenaed to attend as a witness at an investigation or hearing before the commission or a
referee designated by the commission, he fails or refuses to attend without lawful excuse.

Criminal contempt of the state commission on judicial conduct is a class A misdemeanor.

PLEASE BE ADVISED that, pursuant to Article 2-A of the Judiciary Law, these proceedings are confiden-
tial. You are requested to maintain confidentiality.

Witness: Hon. James Hopkins, Referee of the State Commission
On Judicial Conduct the 1st day of September, 1982.

By

(Name)

Referee

(Title)

Lawyer Charged With Looting Estates

Accused of Converting Surrogate's Court Into a Racketeering Enterprise

BY DEBORAH PINES

A SECOND LAWYER who had received appointments from former Manhattan Surrogate Marie Lambert was indicted yesterday on federal charges he looted assets the judge had designated him to oversee.

The lawyer, Melvyn Altman, 59, a solo practitioner, was accused of stealing \$921,000 from two estates and one receivership between 1983 and 1987 by converting the Manhattan Surrogate's Court into a racketeering enterprise. In a 23-count indictment, Mr. Altman also was accused of mail fraud, money laundering and other charges.

After a court hearing, Mr. Altman was released by a federal magistrate judge on \$75,000 bail and his lawyer, Michael Carey, of Carey & Ward, asserted Mr. Altman's innocence and predicted vindication.

But prosecutors said Mr. Altman,

who was among a handful of lawyers who received numerous lucrative appointments during Judge Lambert's 13-year tenure, profited personally from at least three appointments. Judge Lambert stepped down in 1990 when she reached the mandatory retirement age of 70.

Mr. Altman is accused of writing \$125,000 in checks to himself and \$370,000 to a theater production company he promoted from the estate of David Haber, a New York City man who died in October 1983. Mr. Altman was appointed executor in December 1983.

In addition, Mr. Altman is accused of taking \$9,000 for himself and \$197,400 for the theater company, E. Belle/M. Santos Theatrical Production Company, from the estate of Armando Corsini, 54, a mentally impaired New York City resident whose father had died. Mr. Altman was appointed conservator of Mr. Corsini's assets in

1985.

The indictment also accuses Mr. Altman of taking \$170,000 from The Antique Company of New York, for which he was appointed receiver in March 1987.

Mr. Carey said his client has repaid the \$495,000 he is accused of stealing from the Haber estate. That money was invested by the estate in a deal that went sour which Mr. Altman had personally guaranteed, Mr. Carey said. He added that Mr. Altman also had promised to make up any money lost by the Corsini estate.

If convicted, Mr. Altman faces up to 20 years on the most serious charge and millions of dollars in fines.

His indictment comes seven months after another Manhattan lawyer, Vincent J. Catalfo, was sentenced to five years and 11 months in prison for tax evasion, mail fraud, and money

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Lawyer Indicted

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laundering stemming from appointments he also won from Judge Lambert.

Mr. Catalfo pleaded guilty to several acts including stealing \$45,000 from a court award to a man with Down's Syndrome for whom he was appointed guardian. Mr. Catalfo, who has been in a federal prison in Allenwood, Pa. since Jan. 15, was disbarred yesterday by the state court's Appellate Division, First Department.

Judge Lambert's lawyer, James M. La Rossa, has repeatedly denied any knowledge as to whether the former Surrogate is herself the subject of a federal investigation into whether she participated in or knew of any of the misdeeds in the Surrogate's Court. Yesterday, he issued the following statement: "Obviously, the former Surrogate has nothing to do with this investigation. Obviously, one should not expect a sitting Surrogate to be completely familiar with all of the activities of the myriad of lawyers handling estates before her."

About Mr. Altman, Mr. La Rossa said former Surrogate Lambert views him "as a highly reputable and well thought-of attorney."

Before his indictment, Mr. Altman drew fire for being among a handful of lawyers who had failed to report fee awards from Judge Lambert. Although he reported eight awards between 1985 and 1989, he failed to report a \$350,000 award, according to the state Office of Court Administration.

Mr. Altman's prosecution is being handled by Paul A. Engelmayer, an assistant U.S. attorney in the Southern District.