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DEFENDANTS WITHOUT FILING THEM OR OBTAINING AN INDEX NUMBER AND

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LANDLORD AND TENANT - RENT REGULATION - RENT REGULATION REFORM ACT OF 1997 (L. 1997, ch 116) - WHETHER APPELLATE DIVISION ERRED IN HOLDING THAT RESPONDENT DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY RENEWAL (DHCR) "ACTED ARBITRARILY, CAPRICIOUSLY AND IN DISREGARD OF ITS OBLIGATION IN FAILING TO CONSIDER WHETHER THE RENT CHARGED TO PETITIONER WAS UNLAWFUL, AND THUS WHETHER ESTABLISHING A RENTAL RATE BASED ON THE [THORNTON v BARON (5 NY3d 175)] FORMULA WAS APPROPRIATE" IN LIGHT OF THE LANDLORD'S PURPORTED FRAUD AND ATTEMPT TO CIRCUMVENT THE RENT STABILIZATION LAW, EVEN THOUGH MORE THAN FOUR YEARS PASSED BEFORE THE RENT OVERCHARGE COMPLAINT WAS FILED - APPLICABILITY OF FOUR-YEAR STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS IN RENT STABILIZATION LAW § 26-516;

GRIMM (RAYMOND B.), PEOPLE v:

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GROBMAN v CHERNOFF, et al.: (Cal. Date - 10/21/10)

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APPLICATION PURSUANT TO BATSON v KENTUCKY (476 US 79) - WHETHER

DEFENDANT MADE A PRIMA FACIE SHOWING OF DISCRIMINATION BASED UPON

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HARNETT (DAVID M.), PEOPLE v:

CRIMES - SEX OFFENDERS - PLEA OF GUILTY - WHETHER DEFENDANT'S GUILTY PLEA TO SEXUAL ABUSE IN THE FIRST DEGREE WAS KNOWINGLY, INTELLIGENTLY AND VOLUNTARILY ENTERED WHERE THE TRIAL COURT FAILED TO INFORM HIM PRIOR TO ENTRY OF THAT PLEA THAT HIS CONVICTION WOULD SUBJECT HIM TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE SEX OFFENDER MANAGEMENT AND TREATMENT ACT (MENTAL HYGIENE LAW ARTICLE 10), WHICH COULD RESULT IN CONFINEMENT OR INTENSIVE SUPERVISION BEYOND THE EXPIRATION OF HIS PRISON SENTENCE;

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INSURANCE - NO-FAULT AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE - SERIOUS INJURY INSURANCE LAW § 102(d) - RENEWAL - SUMMARY JUDGMENT;

HESS, MATTER OF v WEST SENECA CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT:
SCHOOLS - NOTICE OF CLAIM - LATE NOTICE OF CLAIM - CHALLENGE TO
APPELLATE DIVISION ORDER HOLDING THAT SUPREME COURT DID NOT ABUSE
ITS DISCRETION IN GRANTING AN APPLICATION SEEKING LEAVE TO SERVE A
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FOUNDATION et al.: (Cal. Date - 10/13/10)

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LEROY M., MATTER OF [PRESENTMENT AGENCY]:

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<u>LEVY (MORDEKHAY), PEOPLE:</u> (Cal. Date - 10/19/10)

CRIMES - TRADEMARK COUNTERFEITING - PENAL LAW § 165.72 - WHETHER A TRADEMARK MUST BE REGISTERED FOR THE GOODS ON WHICH THEY APPEAR - WHETHER THE TRIAL COURT ERRED IN REFUSING TO INSTRUCT THE JURY THAT A DEFENDANT MUST KNOW THAT A TRADEMARK IS COUNTERFEIT; SEARCH WARRANT - PROBABLE CAUSE SUPPORTING SEARCH WARRANT;

LEWIE (ALICIA), PEOPLE v:

CRIMES - SUFFICIENCY OF EVIDENCE - SECOND DEGREE MANSLAUGHTER AND RECKLESS ENDANGERMENT OF A CHILD - INFANT BATTERED BY DEFENDANT'S BOYFRIEND; ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF DEFENDANT'S DUE PROCESS RIGHTS - CONTINUED QUESTIONING AFTER POLICE BECAME AWARE DEFENDANT WAS REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL IN A RELATED FAMILY COURT PROCEEDING - QUESTIONABLE CONDUCT BY JUROR;

LIGGINS (JASON D.), PEOPLE v:

CRIMES - UNLAWFUL SEARCH AND SEIZURE - EMERGENCY EXCEPTION TO WARRANT REOUIREMENT;

LINGLE (JOHN), PEOPLE v:

CRIMES - SENTENCE - POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION (PRS) - PRS IMPOSED IN JUDGMENT OF RESENTENCE AFTER DEFENDANT SERVED PART OF HIS PRISON SENTENCE AND WHILE HE WAS STILL CONFINED - ALLEGED VIOLATION OF DOUBLE JEOPARDY AND DUE PROCESS RIGHTS;

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CRIMES - RIGHT TO COUNSEL - WHETHER DEFENDANT EFFECTIVELY WAIVED HIS RIGHT TO COUNSEL IN THE ABSENCE OF COUNSEL - DEFENDANT REPRESENTED BY COUNSEL ON PENDING UNRELATED CUSTODIAL CHARGE AT TIME OF POLICE INTERROGATION;

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MARTIN (ROY), PEOPLE v, a/k/a MARTIN (REALITY):

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MASON (STEVEN), PEOPLE v:

CRIMES - EAVESDROPPING WARRANTS - MOTION TO SUPPRESS ELECTRONICALLY GATHERED EVIDENCE - WHETHER THE PEOPLE SATISFIED THE "EXHAUSTION" REQUIREMENT IN CPL 700.15(4) AND SHOWED "THAT NORMAL INVESTIGATIVE PROCEDURES HAVE BEEN TRIED AND HAVE FAILED, OR REASONABLY APPEAR TO BE UNLIKELY TO SUCCEED IF TRIED, OR TO BE TOO DANGEROUS TO EMPLOY";

Mcalpin (CHRIS), PEOPLE v:

CRIMES - PLEA OF GUILTY - VACATUR - POST-RELEASE SUPERVISION (PRS) - WHETHER COURT WAS REQUIRED TO ADVISE DEFENDANT OF PRS DURING PLEA ALLOCUTION WHERE DEFENDANT WAS TOLD THAT HE WOULD RECEIVE A "DEFERRED SENTENCE" WITH A POSSIBILITY OF PROBATION AND YOUTHFUL OFFENDER TREATMENT IF HE ENROLLED IN AND SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED A CERTAIN PROGRAM OR, IF HE FAILED TO DO SO OR WAS ARRESTED FOR ANOTHER CRIME IN THE INTERIM, THAT HE WOULD BE SENTENCED TO A MINIMUM OF THREE YEARS AND A MAXIMUM OF 15 YEARS IN PRISON - COLLATERAL OR DIRECT CONSEQUENCES OF PLEA; PRESERVATION - WAIVER - SUFFICIENCY OF RECORD FOR APPELLATE REVIEW;

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CONVICTION OF ASSAULT IN THE FIRST DEGREE WHERE VICTIM DISPLAYED HER ARM TO THE JURY, BUT RECORD GIVES NO INDICATION OF WHAT THE JURY SAW;

MEEGAN, JR., MATTER OF v BROWN (AND ANOTHER PROCEEDING AND ACTION):

CIVIL SERVICE - COMPENSATION AND BENEFITS - WHETHER, UNDER PUBLIC AUTHORITIES LAW § 3858(2)(c)(i) AND (iii), PROMOTIONAL SALARY STEP INCREASES WERE SUSPENDED AND DID NOT ACCRUE DURING A WAGE FREEZE PERIOD SO THAT, UPON THE LIFTING OF THE WAGE FREEZE, UNION EMPLOYEES WERE ENTITLED ONLY TO ONE SALARY STEP INCREASE RATHER THAN FOUR SALARY STEP INCREASES;

MELENDEZ (PEDRO), PEOPLE v:

CRIMES - JURORS - JURY INSTRUCTIONS - WHETHER TRIAL COURT ERRED IN ITS INSTRUCTION TO THE JURY CONCERNING THE BURDEN OF PROOF ON AN ALIBI DEFENSE; PROSECUTOR'S "BURDEN-SHIFTING" REMARKS IN SUMMATION; PRESERVATION;

MATTER OF LIQUIDATION OF MIDLAND INSURANCE COMPANY [AMERICAN STANDARD, INC., et al. v SWISS REINSURANCE AMERICA CORPORATION, et al.]:

INSURANCE - LIQUIDATION OF INSURER - CHOICE OF LAW - WHETHER NEW YORK SUBSTANTIVE LAW GOVERNS THE INTERPRETATION AND APPLICATION OF INSOLVENT INSURER'S INSURANCE POLICIES;

MIGUEL M., MATTER OF (ANONYMOUS):

MENTAL HEALTH - ASSISTED OUTPATIENT TREATMENT - PROCEEDING PURSUANT TO MENTAL HYGIENE LAW § 9.60 (KENDRA'S LAW) - WHETHER EXCEPTIONS TO PRIVACY PROVISIONS OF HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996 (HIPAA) PERMIT A PHYSICIAN, IN A KENDRA'S LAW PROCEEDING, TO OBTAIN, AND INTRODUCE INTO EVIDENCE, AN INDIVIDUAL'S MEDICAL RECORDS WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION OR A COURT ORDER; WHETHER FEDERAL HIPAA PRIVACY RULE PREEMPTS MENTAL HYGIENE LAW § 33.13;

MONTES (OMAR), PEOPLE v:

CRIMES - RIGHT OF CONFRONTATION - CROSS EXAMINATION AND IMPEACHMENT - WHETHER THE TRIAL COURT ERRED IN DENYING DEFENDANT'S MOTION FOR A MISTRIAL OR TO STRIKE THE TESTIMONY OF A WITNESS DEFENDANT PREVIOUSLY CROSS EXAMINED WHERE THE WITNESS WAS UNAVAILABLE TO BE RECALLED AFTER IT WAS ESTABLISHED THAT SHE "WAS NOT HONEST WHEN SHE ... FAILED TO STATE THAT [ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL AT THE SCENE OF A SHOOTING DEATH] GAVE HER THE GUN OR GUNS WHEN HE RAN PAST HER AFTER THE SHOOTING OCCURRED";

MOORE (ISHAM), PEOPLE v:

CRIMES - RIGHT TO COUNSEL - EFFECTIVE REPRESENTATION - FAILURE TO REQUEST JUSTIFICATION CHARGE; LESSER INCLUDED OFFENSE - RECKLESS ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE;

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DISMISSAL AND NONSUIT - FAILURE TO SERVE COMPLAINT AFTER A DEMAND (CPLR 3012[b]) - WHETHER SUPREME COURT ERRED IN GRANTING A MOTION TO DISMISS A COMPLAINT WHERE DEFENDANT'S DEMAND AND MOTION TO DISMISS WERE SERVED ON PLAINTIFF'S FORMER, SUSPENDED ATTORNEY - EXISTENCE OF AUTOMATIC STAY OF PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO CPLR 321(c) - ISSUES RAISED FOR FIRST TIME ON APPEAL;

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NATIONAL FUEL GAS DISTRIBUTION CORP., MATTER OF v NEW YORK STATE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION:

PUBLIC UTILITIES - PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION - RATE SETTING - WHETHER THE APPELLATE DIVISION ERRED IN CONCLUDING THAT RESPONDENT AGENCY IMPROPERLY REDUCED THE AMOUNT OF SITE INVESTIGATION AND REMEDIATION COSTS THAT PETITIONER GAS CORPORATION WAS PERMITTED TO PASS ON TO ITS CUSTOMERS BY DETERMINING THAT ITS PARENT COMPANY SHOULD HAVE ALLOCATED TO PETITIONER A GREATER SHARE OF CERTAIN INSURANCE SETTLEMENT PROCEEDS - ALLEGED USE OF INAPPROPRIATE STANDARD OF REVIEW;

NEW YORK CHARTER SCHOOL ASSOCIATION, et al., MATTER OF v SMITH [AND ANOTHER PROCEEDING]: (Cal. Date - 9/13/10)

LABOR - PREVAILING RATE OF WAGES - WHETHER CHARTER SCHOOLS ARE SUBJECT TO THE PREVAILING WAGE LAWS OF LABOR LAW ARTICLE 8;

NEW YORK STATE UNITED TEACHERS, MATTER OF v BRIGHTER CHOICE CHARTER SCHOOL, et al.: (Cal. Date - 10/13/10)

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CRIMES - EVIDENCE - MEDICAL RECORDS - WHETHER THE TRIAL COURT
ERRED IN REFUSING, OVER DEFENSE OBJECTION, TO REDACT A KEY
STATEMENT IN VICTIM'S MEDICAL RECORDS WHICH DID NOT MEET THE
"NECESSARY FOR TREATMENT AND DIAGNOSIS" REQUIREMENT - HARMLESS
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INTOXICATING LIQUORS - DRAM SHOP ACT - GENERAL OBLIGATIONS LAW § 11-101 - GUILTY PARTICIPATION - WHETHER PLAINTIFF'S PURCHASE OF TWO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES FOR HIS WIFE (DECEDENT) AT CORPORATE DEFENDANT'S ESTABLISHMENT DURING PARTY AT WHICH SHE BECAME INTOXICATED CONSTITUTED "GUILTY PARTICIPATION" ON HIS PART AS A MATTER OF LAW, THUS REQUIRING DISMISSAL OF HIS DRAM SHOP ACT CAUSE OF ACTION BROUGHT IN HIS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY; CAUSATION - INTERVENING EVENTS BETWEEN SALE OF ALCOHOL AND DECEDENT'S DEATH; CONTRIBUTION - WHEN CLAIM FOR CONTRIBUTION AVAILABLE - CPLR 1401 - WHETHER DEFENDANT SUBJECT TO LIABILITY UNDER WRONGFUL DEATH STATUTE MAY SEEK CONTRIBUTION FROM DEFENDANT SUBJECT TO LIABILITY PURSUANT TO DRAM SHOP ACT;

PARADA (LUIS), PEOPLE v:

CRIMES - SEXUAL CONDUCT AGAINST A CHILD - ADMISSIBILITY OF STATEMENTS OF CHILD TO NURSE EXAMINER DURING EXAMINATION REQUESTED BY PROSECUTOR MORE THAN ONE YEAR AFTER ALLEGED ABUSE - WHETHER STATEMENTS MADE BY CHILD TO AUNT AND COUSIN WERE ADMISSIBLE UNDER THE "PROMPT OUTCRY" HEARSAY EXCEPTION - WHETHER DEFENSE COUNSEL'S CROSS-EXAMINATION OF POLICE DETECTIVE OPENED THE DOOR TO THE ENTIRETY OF THE CHILD'S STATEMENT TO THE DETECTIVE; EXPERT TESTIMONY REGARDING CONSISTENCY OF VICTIM'S BEHAVIOR WITH THAT OF ABUSE VICTIMS; HARMLESS ERROR;

PEREZ, PEOPLE ex rel. v HOURIHANE: HABEAS CORPUS - AVAILABILITY OF RELIEF;

PHILLIPS (JAMES), PEOPLE v:

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CRIMES - RIGHT TO COUNSEL - CHALLENGE TO APPELLATE DIVISION ORDER CONCLUDING THAT THE TRIAL "COURT PROPERLY DENIED DEFENDANT'S DAY-OF-TRIAL MOTION FOR ASSIGNMENT OF NEW COUNSEL SINCE HIS PAPERS LACKED SPECIFIC FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS AND DID NOT CONTAIN ANY SERIOUS COMPLAINT REQUIRING INQUIRY BY THE COURT" AND BECAUSE "THE COURT ENGAGED IN A COLLOQUY WITH DEFENSE COUNSEL THAT DID NOT REVEAL ANY REASON FOR SUBSTITUTION OR FURTHER INQUIRY";

PRINDLE (MICHAEL EDWARD), PEOPLE v:

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REYES (CARLOS), PEOPLE v:

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STATE OF NEW YORK, MATTER OF v FARNSWORTH, &c.:

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CRIMES - SEX OFFENDERS - CIVIL COMMITMENT OR SUPERVISION - WHETHER RESPONDENT WAS A "DETAINED SEX OFFENDER" SUBJECT TO CIVIL MANAGEMENT UNDER MENTAL HYGIENE LAW ARTICLE 10 WHERE, AT THE TIME THE CIVIL MANAGEMENT PROCEEDING WAS INITIATED, HE WAS SERVING A

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