

**SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK**  
*Appellate Division, Fourth Judicial Department*

**904**

**CA 24-01318**

PRESENT: WHALEN, P.J., CURRAN, MONTOUR, SMITH, AND DELCONTE, JJ.

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IN THE MATTER OF THE INTERMEDIATE ACCOUNTING OF  
MANUFACTURERS AND TRADERS TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE  
OF THE ROBERT S. BASSETT TRUST NUMBER 7 OF 1974,  
FOR THE PERIOD COVERING SEPTEMBER 7, 1983 TO  
OCTOBER 18, 2013,  
PETITIONER-RESPONDENT;

IN THE MATTER OF THE INTERMEDIATE ACCOUNTING OF  
MANUFACTURERS AND TRADERS TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE  
OF THE ROBERT S. BASSETT TRUST NUMBER 7 OF 1974,  
FOR THE PERIOD COVERING OCTOBER 19, 2013 TO  
MAY 15, 2017,  
PETITIONER-RESPONDENT.

ORDER

SUE M. WILLIAMS, DANIEL H. WILLIAMS, IV,  
JENNIFER B. WILLIAMS, AMELIA J. WILLIAMS, A MINOR  
BY AND THROUGH HER NATURAL FATHER AND GUARDIAN  
DANIEL H. WILLIAMS, IV, BRODERICK D. WILLIAMS,  
A MINOR BY AND THROUGH HIS NATURAL FATHER AND  
GUARDIAN DANIEL H. WILLIAMS, IV, AND JOSEPH H.  
CHAPMAN, A MINOR BY AND THROUGH HIS NATURAL  
MOTHER AND GUARDIAN, JENNIFER B. WILLIAMS,  
OBJECTANTS-APPELLANTS.  
(APPEAL NO. 1.)

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DANIEL H. WILLIAMS, III, BUFFALO, FOR OBJECTANTS-APPELLANTS.

HODGSON RUSS LLP, BUFFALO (KEVIN M. KEARNEY OF COUNSEL), FOR  
PETITIONER-RESPONDENT.

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Appeal from an order of the Surrogate's Court, Erie County  
(Stephen W. Cass, A.S.), entered August 1, 2024. The order, among  
other things, approved the fees and costs of the guardians ad litem.

It is hereby ORDERED that the order so appealed from is  
unanimously affirmed with costs for reasons stated in the decision by  
the Surrogate.

Entered: December 23, 2025

Ann Dillon Flynn  
Clerk of the Court