

**People v THOMAS J. SPEARS (IND-70991-23/001; DA 239-23)**

Motion No: CR-26-0363

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF  
NEW YORK,

Respondent,

v

THOMAS J. SPEARS,

Appellant.

(IND-70991-23/001; DA 239-23)

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DECISION AND ORDER  
ON MOTION

Application to be relieved of assignment and to assign new counsel.

Upon the papers filed in support of the application, and no papers having been filed in opposition thereto, it is

ORDERED that the motion is granted, and Steven M. Sharp, Esq., P.O. Box 1004, Albany, NY 12201, is relieved from any further obligation to represent appellant, and it is further

ORDERED that Angela Kelley, Esq., 10 Greenwood Drive, #177, East Greenbush, NY 12061, 518-419-8424, is assigned to represent appellant upon this appeal pursuant to County Law section 722, and it is further

ORDERED that the appeal shall be perfected by the appendix method in accordance with section 1250.5 (c) of the Practice Rules of the Appellate Division and section 850.7 of this Court's Rules of Practice, and it is further

ORDERED that pursuant to section 850.11 (a) of this Court's Rules of Practice, the Albany County Court Clerk shall furnish to appellate counsel one copy of the transcripts of the stenographic minutes of all proceedings in this matter and one copy of any other paper or document on file in that office which is material and relevant to this appeal, except those portions which appellate counsel or the court from which the appeal is taken determines are unnecessary for perfection of the appeal, and to forward forthwith the other copy of said transcripts to the Clerk of this Court, and the transcripts shall be omitted from the hard copy and the electronic copy of the record. However, if such minutes and other papers or documents were previously provided to Steven M. Sharp, Esq., said counsel shall forward those documents to Angela Kelley, Esq., within ten (10) days of the date of this decision, and it is further

ORDERED that if the appeal is not perfected on or before October 9, 2026, appellate counsel shall move on notice for a further extension of time to perfect the appeal.

Garry, P.J., Pritzker, Fisher and Ryba, JJ., concur.

ENTER:

  
Robert D. Mayberger  
Clerk of the Court

