

**Matter of Jessica R. v Frankie Z.**

Motion No: 2025-05124

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Decided on October 21, 2025

Appellate Division, First Department, Motion Decision

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**Supreme Court of the State of New York**  
**Appellate Division, First Judicial Department**

PRESENT Hon. Dianne T. Renwick,  
Sallie Manzanet-Daniels  
Troy K. Webber  
Cynthia S. Kern  
Peter H. Moulton,

Presiding Justice,  
  
  
  
Justices.

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In the Matter of a Proceeding  
For Custody and/or Visitation  
Pursuant to Article 6 of the  
Family Court Act.

**Confidential**  
Motion No.      2025-05124  
Case No.        2025-05508  
Docket Nos.    V-05930/23  
                         V-03215/23

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Jessica R.,  
Petitioner-Respondent,

-against-

Frankie Z.,  
Respondent-Appellant.

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Petitioner-respondent having moved for a waiver of costs, fees, and expenses to respond to the appeal from an order of the Family Court, New York County, entered on or about August 12, 2025, and for assignment of counsel, a free copy of the transcript, and related relief,

Now, upon reading and filing the papers and the Certification of Simon Turkel, Esq., dated September 18, 2025, and due deliberation having been had thereon, it is

It is ordered that the motion is granted to the extent of (1) assigning, pursuant to Family Court Act § 1120, Berman Geoffrey, Esq., 2005 Palmer Avenue, #176, Larchmont, NY 10538, Esq., Telephone No. 914-419-8407, as counsel for purposes of responding to the appeal and (2) permitting respondent to respond to the appeal, in compliance with section 1250.9 of the Practice Rules of the Appellate Division.

Appellant, respondent, and the attorney for the child are directed to enter their initial information for electronic filing in the New York State Courts Electronic Filing System (NYSCEF) pursuant to section 1245.3 of the Electronic Filing Rules of the Appellate Division, and thereafter electronically file their respective briefs.

ENTERED: October 21, 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susanna M. Rojas". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Susanna" and the last name "Rojas" being the most prominent parts.

Susanna Molina Rojas  
Clerk of the Court