

Matter of Grace M., Grayson M., Kevin C., Dahaina C.

Motion No: 2025-05353

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

CORRECTED ORDER DECEMBER 31, 2025

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

In the Matter of

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Grace M.,
Grayson M.,
Kevin C. and
Dahaina C.,

Motion No. 2025-05353
Case No. 2025-05707
Docket Nos. NA-32179/23
NA-32180/23
NA-32181/23
NA-32182/23

Children Under the Age of 18 Years
Alleged to be Neglected and/or Abused
Under Article 10 of the Family Court Act.

Administration for Children's Services,
Commissioner of Social Services,
Petitioner-Respondent,

-against-

Jose M.,
Respondent-Appellant.

Respondent-appellant having moved for a waiver of costs, fees, and expenses on the appeal from an order of the Family Court, Bronx County, entered on or about September 03, 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 Frances P. Ferraro, Esq., dated September 30, 2025, and due deliberation having been had thereon, it is

Ordered that the motion is granted to the extent of (1) assigning, pursuant to County Law article 18-B and Family Court Act § 1120, Douglas Reiniger, Esq., 228 East 45th Street #900, New York, NY 10017, Telephone No. 646-627-8875, as counsel for purposes of prosecuting the appeal; (2) directing the Clerk of said Family Court to have transcribed the minutes of the proceedings held therein, for inclusion in the record on appeal, the cost thereof to be charged against the City of New York from funds available therefor, within 30 days (FCA § 1121[7]) of service of a copy of this order upon the Clerk¹; (3) permitting appellant to dispense with any fee for the transfer of the record from the Family Court to this Court; and (4) directing appellant to perfect this appeal, in compliance with section 1250.9 of the Practice Rules of the Appellate Division, within 60 days of the filing of the transcripts. Assigned counsel is directed to immediately serve a copy of this order upon the Clerk of the Family Court. The Clerk of the Family Court shall transfer the record upon receipt of this order.

Appellant, respondent, and the attorney for the children 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 28, 2025



Susanna Molina Rojas
Clerk of the Court

¹ Service of appellant's brief upon respondent(s) shall include assigned counsel's copy of the transcript.