STATE OF NEW YORK SUPREME COURT - APPELLATE DIVISION THIRD JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

In the Matter of a Proceeding under Article 70 of the CPLR for a Writ of Habeas Corpus,

THE NONHUMAN RIGHTS PROJECT, INC., on behalf of TOMMY,

Petitioners, Appellants,

v.

PATRICK C. LAVERY, individually and as an officer of Circle L Trailer Sales, Inc., DIANE LAVERY, and CIRCLE L TRAILER SALES, INC.,

Respondents, Appellees.

PRE-CALENDAR STATEMENT

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Supreme Court County of Fulton Honorable Joseph M. Sise, Justice Supreme Court

The nature of the underlying proceeding is an Order to Show Cause and Writ of Habeas Corpus brought under CPLR Article 70.

The issue to be raised on appeal is whether Petitioner/Appellant Tommy is a person within the meaning of CPLR Article 70 and the common law. The ground for reversal of the Supreme Court's denial of the writ is that the judge erred as a matter of law in holding that Tommy is not a person within the meaning of CPLR Article 70 and the common law. The specific relief sought on appeal is a reversal of the judgment and remand to the Supreme Court with an order to issue the Writ of Habeas Corpus.

There is no other related action or proceeding.

Submitted by:_____

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Attachments:

- 1. Copy of Judgment appealed from.
- 2. Copy of opinion or decision does not exist.
- 3. Copy of Notice of Appeal.