

# Mandy Matney 00:02

I don't know how high up the corruption in this case goes. But a recently released deposition has revealed troubling accusations about a powerful judge who was at the helm of criminal and civil procedures in the low country. If her involvement in the Gloria Satterfield case was as intentional as depositions say, then the South Carolina justice system where judges are pretty much untouchable has a huge problem on its hands. My name is Mandy Matney. I've been investigating the Murdaugh family for more than three years now. This is the Murdaugh Murders Podcast with David Moses and Liz Farrell. There are still so many unanswered questions about the glorious Satterfield settlement, particularly considering that Alex Murdaugh right now is the only person who has faced criminal charges in the scheme to steal millions of dollars from glorious family after she died following an alleged trip and fall accident on the Murdaugh's hunting property in 2018. For a quick recap, there were several glaring issues with the court documents that attorney Eric Bland discovered back in October when he was first trying to find answers as to why glorious sons never received a dime of the multimillion dollar wrongful death settlement for their mother's death. The court documents were full of red flags, which we will discuss later in this podcast. But Judge Carmen Mullen apparently signed these documents anyway, which paved a much easier path for Alex to steal millions of dollars from the Satterfield family who desperately needed the money. Some of the biggest questions and the Satterfield case revolve around judge Carmen Mullen, if she signed off on a document with so much potential for fraud as a favor to a family, one of whom is now implicated in dozens of crimes. What else would she do? This is a woman who decides which people in South Carolina get their freedom taken away and for how long she decides if violent criminals should get bail or not. She has a tremendous amount of power. And if she is corrupt, then we have a huge problem on her hands, a problem that needs to be corrected immediately before further harm is done. When a judge is corrupt. It's not the powerful movers and shakers who suffer. It's society's most vulnerable. It's people like the Satterfield, frankly Mullen alleged role and the Satterfield settlement is one of the biggest reasons why this story matters. Why this story isn't a typical True Crime Story, why so many of us on the right side of this have dedicated years of our lives to this case, because the tentacles in this case stretch far and wide up to the most powerful, untouchable people in South Carolina circuit judges. The thing is that South Carolina's archaic system for electing these judges feeds the beast of corruption and keeps them safe



from the consequences of their own actions. Attorney Eric Bland knows this, which is why he never stopped on his quest to find answers.

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I got a lot of pressure from a lot of different places to withdraw her notes. And I did and you know, I got answers. I never really got the full answers because I never had anybody under oath, but I did not expect chat to say what he said about Judge Molyneux and my head was spinning.

#### Liz Farrell 03:57

In late February, Eric Bland deposed Chad Westendorf, the Palmetto State Bank vice president, who for some reason was appointed as the personal representative for Gloria Satterfield, the state Westendorf was paid \$30,000. For his role. He was supposed to represent the best interests of the family, which he obviously failed at. Unlike his boss Russell the feet, who is the CEO of Palmetto State Bank. Westendorf does not appear to be facing many consequences for his questionable role in the Satterfield heist. He still works at the bank and appears to be cooperating with attorneys and both federal and state investigators. In his deposition with Eric he said he has already testified for the state Grand Jury when the Satterfield heist was exposed in the media last fall Westendorf mailed Eric bland a check for \$30,000 obviously, to pay the Satterfield back and he was immediately dismissed from their lawsuit months later, Westendorf agreed to be deposed by Eric Bland, Ronnie Richter and Scott Modulo and sat for a film deposition on February 22. He did not plead the fifth One time during the three hour deposition. A quick note about this deposition. A few of our sources had questioned the motive behind it. Like we said, Westendorf was no longer part of the case. Neither was Cory and Alex is confessing judgment. The only defendant left is Eddie Smith, who had nothing to do with the execution of the settlement. In other reports about the deposition Western doors attorney explained his participation as a way to clear his name, which makes sense, there's something we need to keep in the back of our minds, though, how much involvement did Alex Murdaugh's team have in making this deposition happen? How much of this is part of a long game and getting Alex's case moved to federal court? The deposition is very damaging to judge Carmen Mullen. But without it, we most certainly would not have known about her alleged role in this. And it's important that it's out there, even if it's part of a plan for Alex's team to argue their way into a better plea deal at a nicer prison than the ones we have here.

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I really think he wanted to clean his soul. And two, he wants to make sure that he's telling his story consistently and publicly. You know, Was he lying? I can't say that somebody doesn't lie. But I will tell you that as far as opponents go, I found him to be incredibly credible.

# Liz Farrell 06:19

Fits news exclusively obtained the transcripts from that deposition. This is our first look at a first hand account into the Satterfield heist. And before we get into it, it's important to note that Western doors testimony in his deposition and to the state Grand Jury is sworn he risks state and federal imprisonment, if it's determined that he lied during any part of the investigation.

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And then, you know, he's got that hammer over his head, because he already testified in front of the grand jury and he's given written statements and verbal interviews to federal and state officials if he was to lie in my deposition, which is under oath. He gets nailed for 1001 Lying to federal officials or and a perjury trap, which is what you know, ensnarled mark, Martha Stewart, so I kind of figured that once he said, I'm not taking the fifth. The

# Liz Farrell 07:13

the first question the deposition answers for us is what prompted Murdaugh to seek help from Chad Westendorf in the first place?

# Eric Bland 07:19

Do you remember the day that you were approached by Alex to become PR?

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I want to say it was November the 21st. I know it was the Wednesday before Thanksgiving, okay, because I was in the mountains with my family. And he called me he called

# Eric Bland 07:36

you on the phone? Yes, sir. And he had your number. Yes, sir. Did he have your number because you guys were friends or because you were a banker?

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I would say it'd be more friends because I didn't make him. Okay.



# Eric Bland 07:49

So how did you know him? grew up around him

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and just been in the town?

# Eric Bland 07:55

Would you call him a friend? I Yeah. Did you socialize with him? No. Okay. I mean, and does your wife have any relationship to him at all? No. Okay.

# Mandy Matney 08:08

In deposition, Eric Bland, referred to Westendorp as well regarded in the Hampton community. He's not only the vice president of Palmetto State Bank. He's also the president of independent banks of South Carolina. Throughout Eric's questioning, Chad Westendorf maintained that he was totally ignorant when it came to his role in the scheme. He presented himself like an airhead incapable of basic logic, which is interesting, given his powerful position at the bank.

# Eric Bland 08:37

Okay. What was your job? SPR? Tell me what you were supposed to do? I don't know. Where are you supposed to be just an in name only? Are you? Did you have actual affirmative duties? You don't know?

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I don't know. I was I mean, my first meeting with Cory, I asked what I needed to do as personal representative and I needed to. And he said nothing. At this moment, I'll take care of it. And I asked specifically about opening an account, did I need to open an account? Did it need to have an estate account? And he said, No, not at this time.

# Eric Bland 09:14

So when you accepted to become PR, and before you actually got to prove there was a gap in time. You didn't educate yourself on what the claims were

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When I accepted initially, I wasn't aware of what the case was. And I was after I accepted then I was told what the case was. But from that point forward and a



# Eric Bland 09:37

a little taken aback that you would accept becoming a PR for a claim and not really understand what the claim would be. Did you find it strange that Alex was the one that was asking you to be the PR when he was the quote, target defendant there hadn't been litigation started? So there was a claim you understand the difference between a claim Even litigation.

# Mandy Matney 10:02

No. Okay. At one point Bland asked Westendorf if he understood what the word fiduciary meant.

# Eric Bland 10:09

Did you understand that? As a personal representative that you were a fiduciary? Do you understand the term fiduciary? I did not. Okay. Do you understand it now?

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Not really. Okay.

# Eric Bland 10:21

That you owe duties not only to the estate, who you are a personal representative for,

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right? Yes.

# Eric Bland 10:29

But did you realize that you are an officer of the court? Did you realize I did not. Okay, I guess

# Liz Farrell 10:34

we now know why Chad was chosen by Alex, who, as you'll remember from our jailhouse calls episode is likewise challenged by Occupational vocabulary, just to put it on the record of fiduciary is a person who holds a legal or ethical relationship of trust with one or more parties, typically as it relates to the care of money or assets. When we talk about how the Murdaughs have held power over this part of South Carolina for more than 100 years, we're not just talking about them or their actions. 1000s of people had to help them get to where they were at the time of the boat crash and the murderers and those people aren't necessarily evil. They're just trained in Hampton County, especially life is easier and more manageable. If you don't



question Murdaugh, Chad Westendorf was a good soldier. For Murdaugh. He didn't ask any questions, and he didn't exercise a single bit of intellectual curiosity. He simply got asked to do something and he did it.

# Mandy Matney 11:34

We'll be right back. What was odd is that while Westendorf appeared to have zero concerns about his duties to the Satterfield in his role as PR he apparently had the wits about him to worry about his own financial liability in the case.

# Eric Bland 11:54

Did you ever have any concerns about the duties, what your duties were or what you were supposed to be doing or you were more reactive in? Cory Fleming would ask you to or tell you to do something.

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Prior to accepting I had some concerns about what liability I would have for creditors? That was my main question. I asked if there was any personal effect on me.

# Eric Bland 12:22

Who'd Yes, I'd have Alex and what did Alex tell you?

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He said they wouldn't. There wasn't any problem. Did you?

# Eric Bland 12:30

Do you wonder whether you had to have a bond or insurance? I did not. Okay. And so your main concern was what liability you may have to the creditors? Sure. And who are the creditors? Do you remember?

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I don't know. Also worth

# Mandy Matney 12:45

nothing. Westendorf didn't appear to know much at all about Gloria's 2018 death.

# Eric Bland 12:51

Did you ever find out who Gloria was when you became her PR? Did you know that she was the housekeeper? Yes. Did you know that she had died? Yes. Did you know



she had died at the Mozelle property? Yes. Who told you all that? Hell elegant. Okay. Did he tell you what did he tell you about her death

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that she had a fall with his dog is the

# Eric Bland 13:14

dog or dog. Okay. And that she hit her head and then

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and spent some time in the hospital and then she passed away from the injuries.

# Mandy Matney 13:26

So there are several inconsistencies about Gloria Satterfield to death that are still a mystery like why did Alex insurance companies pay millions of dollars for wrongful death when Gloria's death certificate incorrectly stated that she died of natural causes? And why was Gloria's family told that she fell at the Murdaugh's Hampton County home when she fell in Moselle in Colleton County, and how were they able to pull off a multi million dollar settlement so quickly with no litigation? We asked Eric about this.

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In most, most other counties, I agree that she had \$600,000 in medical bills. But in most other counties, if you've got 1.8 million or \$2 million, you would really have hung the moon at \$4.3 million. to tip my hat to Cory Fleming. I will tell you that every single thing that lawyer did in this case was wrong. Every single thing, except somehow he convinced the insurance companies to pay 4.39 That's the one right thing he did.

# Mandy Matney 14:37

Westendorf said that he spoke with both Alex and Cory Fleming who were both on opposing sides of the settlement as he was becoming the personal representative of the estate. However, he apparently didn't think that was weird.

# Eric Bland 14:52

Did that strike you as curious that the target defendant was having discussions with you instead of

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the plaintiff, not real,

# Eric Bland 15:03

all right? Why didn't that happen? Why didn't you find that strange? Did you? Did you think that everybody had a unity of interest?

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No, but I thought he was helping the kids out. That's what he claimed to be doing. He was helping the boys doing what to help get them fun money to do what? Because they lost their mother.

# Liz Farrell 15:25

So the question we have had in reading this deposition is this where there are two crimes, one a case of noble corruption and the other plain old theft? Did Cory and Chad think they were doing unorthodox things in the name of doing something kind? Why would quote helping the boys require so much willful ignorance and subverting the normal course of civil procedure? Or is it just another example of Alex's good ol boy mentality where it's okay to do things unethical and illegal in the name of helping out a friend.

# Mandy Matney 15:58

During deposition, Westendorf admitted that he never once spoke to either of the Satterfield boys several times. He said that Cory told him that he was handling everything, and altogether Westendorf collected a \$30,000 fee for very little work. He said he signed a couple documents, appeared before a judge twice and participated in a couple of phone calls. \$30,000 is a lot of money in a place like Hampton County, South Carolina, where the median household income is \$33,000 a year and according to South Carolina law, a personal representative can only take up to 5% of a person's estate Gloria Satterfield, the state was only \$50,000, which means Westendorf should have been paid no more than \$2,500 for his work as PR Mullen should have caught this amongst several other glaring red flags. Which brings us to judge Carmen Mullen and the biggest bombshells revealed in this deposition. Western doors testimony shows just how unorthodox this wrongful death settlement was and how many red flags there were to alert Carmen Mullen to the fact that something bad was happening right in front of her eyes. As a reminder, this settlement was never litigated. The reason why we point this out is because the case didn't require the level of work required in a lawsuit. The settlement came after a few letters, phone calls and a mediation hearing. There were four sheets of paper



produced in this case now a \$4.3 million settlement is great, but very high given the facts of the case and how very little work was required of Cory Fleming according to Westendorp testimony, Mullen knew that the caption had been removed from the case the caption is the part of the case that contains the names of the parties. Westendorf indicates that Mullen was aware that Alex's name was removed from the caption which for all other lawyers in the state would require a judge's order in Westendorf. Testimony, it is clear that Mullen never scrutinize the documents presented to her nor did she verify with Westendorf that he was aware of the circumstances of the agreement and okay with the settlement in another red flag that was there to alert Mullen to wrongdoing is one that we haven't even discussed before. Alex attorneys who represented the insurance company weren't even present for the hearing. If what Westendorf says is true, that means that an entire human being wasn't there and Mullen seems to have overlooked that

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100% of the talk. There isn't a defense attorney that you would talk to that would let the plaintiff's attorney go meet with a judge to get approval on a settlement. More importantly, I did find out that John Grantland, who was Alex's attorney appointed by Nautilus insurance company, would be en route and they went forward with the hearing while he was in route.

# Mandy Matney 19:16

Judge Carmen Mullen should have never okayed the settlement given the information on the papers that were right in front of her it's been questioned whether or not her signature was forged, or if she had been duped by Alex inquiry, but in deposition Westendorf dropped a bombshell that should absolutely ring alarm bells of everyone concerned about the South Carolina justice system. According to Westendorf Cory Fleming the plaintiff asked Judge Mullen to sign off on the settlement. Wall keeps Alex's name, who is the defendant, off the books Moline. She should have never signed the documents to begin with. But Cory Fleming really did ask her to keep the settlement that was already sketchy off of the public record. Mullen should have absolutely used her power to stop this massive thievery right there. And then this was in 2019. If Mullen was really doing her job, Mullen would have not only said no to signing the documents, but she would have reported Cory and Alex for inappropriate and seemingly unethical behavior.

# Eric Bland 20:35



Ever hear that discussion? That the reason Alex name was being taken off that caption was he didn't want marked Hensley, who was suing him suing his son for the Maori beach boating accident. He didn't want anybody to find out a public record. This kind of money was being paid from his homeowners insurance carrier.

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The only time I heard was the chamber chamber.

# Eric Bland 21:02

At the second settlement conference, yes, Alex wasn't even there, wasn't there. Okay. And that was said to judge Mullen from Cory. Yes, sir. And Judge Mullen says I understand. I understand. And Judge Mullen Did you know had recused herself a month before from the BUI lawsuit? BUIi meaning boating under the influence that I'm going to show you an order that a month before you had your hearing? She recused herself from hearing anything having to do with Alex Murdaugh and Mallory Beach's death.. Did she discuss that to you? Did she say to you, Mr. Westendorf, you're the PR for this estate. And I need to disclose to you that I have recused myself one month before from having to do anything with Alex Murdaugh and Mallory beach debt.

# Mandy Matney 21:54

I'm sorry. Eric had something to say about this when we spoke after the deposition.

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So, you know, the last thing on anybody's mind was that somebody would lie to judge Mone. And that's how it appeared. What happened until Chad started talking. And so when Chad started talking, I started to ask him, well, what inquiry did the judge Moen make? When Cory presented the request to approve the settlement of \$3.8 million? He said, I don't recall any. I say well, did she ask you as a personal representative? Are you satisfied with this settlement? Are you satisfied? Your attorneys have tried to recover as much money as possible? He said, No. I said, Did she ask you whether you were being pressured to agree to that settlement? He said no. I said, did she say to you do you think that there should be a higher value? A pain for the death of glory Satterfield? He said no. And so I said, Well, what happened during the hearing? He said, well it is more quick, you know, she didn't really ask the right questions, to approve that settlement. These are rules that are designed to protect the clients first, but also protect the lawyers. They're protected. They have a court order, they can disperse. None of the rules were followed here. None. The rules



are written that we trust everybody except the devil inside everybody. If everybody follows the rules, you can be the devil. But you aren't going to be able to feel

# Mandy Matney 23:35

according to Westendorf. Mullen readily and openly agreed to keep the settlement from being filed with the court because of publicity from the 2019 bow crash that killed Mallory beach. And we'll be right back.

# Liz Farrell 23:53

Why would a legitimate claim in a legitimate trip and fall accident that happened under legitimate circumstances be something to hide from the public? Why would a legitimate settlement to compensate the loved ones of a deceased person be something to hide? Also, Paul had already been charged at this point. So basically, Mullen was agreeing to help keep secrets for someone who was accused of felonies related to a fatality that came as a result of his reckless and illegal behavior. Even if everything else had checked out about the settlement, Carmen Mullen apparently agreed to do something that would help Paul's family over Mallory's family. There was only one reason to have kept this from the public eye and that was because they were doing something wrong.

# Mandy Matney 24:37

Around the same time Mullen signed the secret agreement. She also recused herself from the boat crash case due to our relationship with the Murdaugh family. So in April Mullen is telling the public I'm an honorable Judge who recognizes that my decisions could be seen as impartial when it comes to this family, but in May basically She's saying to Murdaugh, close the door, hand me that pen.

# Eric Bland 25:09

So I'm showing you exhibit number 20. This is where Judge Mullen in April. I think it was the fourth year, April 4, or April 10. Excuse me. She recused herself, Judge mon has recused herself from hearing all matters related to this case, and forwarded the justice for reassignment. And so this is the Maori beach case versus Gregory Parker and eta L means that there's other defendants. And you were unaware of that when you went into that here. So when you went into the hearing on April 13, it was just you, Cory, May 13. May 13. You and Cory? Yes, and JoJo and judge Mullen, and again, that was not on court record. And it was not in a courtroom.

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It was in a room off the room off there. Okay.

# Eric Bland 26:04

And did it strike you funny when Judge Mullen said we're going to change the caption to take Alex's name off?

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Didn't know that happened till you just told me.

Eric Bland 26:14 Well, you said there was a discussion in front of

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not about taking the caption off. The only discussion we had was, he claimed or he told Judge Mullen that he would that Alex attorneys would appreciate or would not want her to file the order. At this time. I didn't know anything about the caption. Okay. They asked her if they did that, because of the recent boating accident, the recent end, he was being sued. I didn't know about being too but she just said to publicity over the recent boating accident.

# Eric Bland 26:46

And that's why she said, I'm gonna sign the order, but don't file it.

26:52 Yes, it wasn't filed. Okay.

**Eric Bland** 26:54 She said don't

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file. Cory asked if it couldn't. I'm gonna file this later. I don't remember the judge saying don't file it. But Cory said we want to file this later. We're not going to oh, I don't know how it all works. Okay. It was never okay. It was so she

# Eric Bland 27:12

he told her we're not going to file because of the publicity over the boating accident. And she said okay, yes. Okay, and then sign the order.



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She signed something I cannot say that was the exact thing she signed, but I was in there when she agreed to

# Mandy Matney 27:25

The documents with Judge Mullen signature were never filed with the court, a huge violation of protocol in place for a reason to prevent corruption and fraud. After Chad Westendorf deposition, Eric Bland told us that he knew he had to immediately send the transcript to the South Carolina bar because of what was said about both Carmen Mullen and Cory Fleming.

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Look, here is a testimony that was provided under oath by Chad Westendorf which implicates the propriety of the actions of Judge Mon. Now I'm not the arbiter or that I'm not the one that decides whether she did right or wrong. But I'm duty bound to turn this over to the ODC. The Office of Disciplinary Council, when lawyers violate the rules of professional conduct, we are duty bound if we have knowledge. It's not for me to decide whether they violate the rules or not. But if I'm on notice that something is violative of the rules, I turn it over to ODC

# Mandy Matney 28:38

Eric bland reported Mullen role in the Satterfield heist to the South Carolina Supreme Court's commission on judicial conduct and Eric is not the only one who reported Mullen to the ODC solicitor David Pascoe of the First Judicial Circuit, who is considering a run for the South Carolina Attorney General's Office also filed a complaint.

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David Pascoe, who has his own separate history with Judge Mullen found out about it because I did talk about it with Jim Griffin, I talked about it to the receiver, and I talked about it to Martin Lee, who certainly was mentioned as the reason for not having the order sign. And so somehow it got back to David Pascoe, who called me on the phone by the way,

# Mandy Matney 29:24

Pasco, who has a history of fighting public corruption and South Carolina had previously filed a complaint against Mullen accusing her of improper solicitation of ex parte communications recording phone calls between parties without obtaining



consent, undisclosed conflicts of interest, lack of professional competence and staff members posting critical comments about pending judicial matters on social media. He called the current accusations an unremitting power of improper activity that merits close examination by the Commission Then, and after

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When he read that transcript, he filed a grievance against Judge Mullen, where he said she certainly violated the integrity of the justice system by agreeing to change a caption and keep order from being filed. That was signed in order to protect Alex Murdaugh, in a case that she had already recused herself in the, you know, the recusal in the Maori beach case didn't say that she could never hear a case involving Alex Murdaugh, it just said, I'm not going to hear anything in the Maori peach case, Judge Buckner sign that as well, the same order. But what she did appear to have done if you believe Chad Westendorf is in an unrelated case, she was willing to do something to benefit a party in a case that she recused herself. So that was the first case of first grief. The second basis was just a basic matter of competency, that she is not competent, that no judge should sit as a circuit court judge, if they're going to entertain a settlement conference, without a pending motion, a proper caption, and then agree to sign an order and not have a smile, just those three basic things go to her competency to be a judge. So that's what he did. He filed it. So what's the product? Is this what's going to happen? Well, I don't know. I would think, based on what's happening, there will be some investigation, whether it's by OBC, or their judicial committee, because journalists, like you two, are not going to let this go. They're going to want an answer from somebody at this address. So the question is then going to become what Judge Mullen say that she say, yep, that's exactly how it happened to set way Mr. Westendorf said, or she gonna say no, that's not how it happened. That's not how it happened at all. She could say, I told Cory to go file this order. After I signed it. The wildcard here. The wildcards Cory Fleming.

# Mandy Matney 32:07

We will be talking more about Cory and what he did wrong in a future episode, and we plan to take a deeper look at some of the information that Chad revealed about Cory in the deposition. In South Carolina judges are appointed by lawmakers and not the general public. Because of this, judges must lobby and campaign for themselves at the Statehouse. Many people have compared this process to rushing a fraternity. What this means, though, is that politically connected lawyers basically get to choose and then control who our judges are in the state. So Eric Bland was not just going up against a judge but an entire system when he reported Mullen to the ODC.



We asked Eric as an attorney whose livelihood literally depends on judges, whether he was worried about backlash.

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Nope. I'm in the fourth quarter of my career. Had I been in the first quarter of my career? It definitely would be scary, but not not now. This is such a bellwether case, so important on so many different levels, about the justice system, whether there's two systems that justices, the ordinary person have the same system, as those that are wealthier, those that have relationships with judges are important lawyers. So many things have to be answered here. So many things have to be changed here. So at this point, the answer is no. I don't have fear. Look, our judges are going to look at me differently when I walk into their courtroom. Sure, sure, They're going to be on their p's and q's. Hey, can't you joke in front of Aeroplan? Are they going to let me come back to their chambers? Some will? Some won't. Is everything gonna be on the record? Sure. Will it hurt my clients on issues of discretion for a judge to make a ruling? It could, it could. But this to me was so important. I take my oath. You know, our profession has been so bruised way before this murder case has been bruised. But of every joke, I hate lawyer jokes, never tell them and I won't tolerate them. If somebody wants to tell him in my press, but this is Murtaugh's case. And all the different machinations that have happened here, you know, our profession has really taken a hard punch. You know, if lawyers like Mark Tinsley lawyers, like John Lay lawyers, like my partner and me, just in Bamberg, if we stand up in solidarity and don't tolerate this thing, maybe maybe will change and by the way, the old guard judiciary is changing

# Mandy Matney 35:00

We will talk more about the problem with judges in South Carolina in a later episode.

# Liz Farrell 35:05

Not that we want to give you guys homework, but we highly recommend that you read a 2019 project by ProPublica in coordination with the Charleston Post and Courier called South Carolina, the state where judges rule themselves in secret. It's pretty appalling and absolutely absurd to think we're all okay with this in this state since 1997, when the commission on judicial conduct was created, there have been more than 1000 Ethics complaints filed against judges out of those 1000 complaints. Here's how many judges were punished. Zero. That means 1000 people out there were wrong. Not likely.



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