

Anatomy of a Prosecutorial Meltdown

A prosecutor in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, finds himself embroiled in a legal scorched earth conflict against his county commissioners – a fight that started when he used \$21,000 in asset forfeiture funds to lease a car.

Above the Law traces the conflict between the commissioners and Lancaster District Attorney Craig Stedman.

Along the way, Stedman doubled down after commissioners said they would have leased him a vehicle through proper channels if he'd asked for one, but that using the forfeited funds to get a car on his own violated protocol, writes **Above the Law** senior editor **Joe Patrice**.

Stedman sued the commissioners, and they responded by blocking the use of county funds for the lawsuit. Stedman turned over documents, but the records didn't include receipts documenting what specific seized items were sold and what items were bought with the proceeds.

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