

Appeals Court Rules in Civil Case of Ex-Judge

“An appeals court panel on Wednesday refused to overturn the majority of a visiting judge’s decisions in a civil case involving former Mahoning County Judge Diane Vettori-Caraballo and a client in her private practice, from whom she stole money,” reports Ed Runyan in *The Vindicator’s News*.

“Vettori-Caraballo, who formerly served as Mahoning County Sebring Area Court judge, was sent to federal prison in September 2019 for 2 1/2 years and ordered to pay \$328,000 in restitution and after being convicted in federal court for her actions. She was removed as a judge in 2018 during an investigation.”

“The case went to trial in December 2018, and visiting judge Thomas Swift ruled in March 2019 that Vettori-Caraballo concealed \$110,200 in cash assets from Falgiani’s estate and filed false statements to the Mahoning County Probate Court regarding estate assets. He ruled she should repay the the money, plus legal fees she received, interest and other costs totaling \$185,678.”

Read the article.