

# Dallas Judge Recuses Self Over Safety Concerns; Cites Case of Litigator's Suspicious Death

The suspicious death of a Dallas attorney has triggered tighter security inside in a downtown Dallas courthouse, and a Dallas County District judge has made a direct connection between the defendant in an ongoing civil lawsuit and the possible murder of attorney Ira Tobolowsky, **reports NBC 5 TV** in Dallas.

In a recent suit, Steven Aubrey asked for more than \$500,000 from Tobolowsky and wrote that: "Tobolowsky must be punished with sanctions for his outrageous abuse of the judicial system and his violation of statutes, codes and rules."

"I think at this point with the allegations which have been made related to Mr. Aubrey and his implication in the death of Mr. Tobolowsky and related issues, I don't think that it is unreasonable for a judge other than myself to hear this case," said Dallas County District 14 Judge Eric Moyer. "And so I've conferred with Judge Murphy and we have agreed that a voluntary recusal is appropriate at this time."

Tobolowsky , a prominent Dallas attorney, died in a house fire last week. Investigators say that fire may have been arson.

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