Dallas Won't Release Police Files on Slaying of Prominent Lawyer, Despite Judge's Order

The Dallas Morning News is **reporting** that Dallas city and county officials are trying to block the release of investigative files related to the unsolved slaying of a prominent Dallas lawyer in 2016.

"Ira Tobolowsky, 68, was found dead inside his burning garage at his North Dallas home on May 13, 2016. The medical examiner's office ruled his death a homicide — he died of blunt force injuries, smoke inhalation and burns," according to the *News* ' Dana Branham.

Michael Tobolowsky, the son of the victim, obtained an order from a district judge for the city to release documents from the Dallas Police Department and the Dallas County medical examiner so he can investigate the death of his father, potentially for a wrongful-death lawsuit. He claims the case has gone cold.

Dallas police are appealing the order, claiming the release would ruin any change of corroborating future witness statements.

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