

Judge Sanctions Lawyer and Client \$150K, Citing 'Mountain Of Evasiveness' and 'Outright Lies'

"A Texas judge has ordered a Houston-area lawyer and his client to be jointly sanctioned \$150,000 for the client's 'outright lies' in litigation and 'a mountain of evasiveness' in discovery," reports Debra Cassens Weiss in *ABA Journal's News*.

"In a Jan. 21 order, Judge R. O'Neil Williams of the 268th District Court in Texas imposed the sanctions on solo practitioner Paul B. Rosen of Bellaire, Texas, and his client Gen Fu Zhang."

"The case involved a dispute over a commercial lease for a fast-food restaurant."

"Williams said the client made false statements about property used as collateral in the lease transaction. Rosen did not conduct a reasonable investigation of the law and the facts before filing the suit, then failed to correct false and misleading claims in later pleadings, Williams said."

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