

# Lawyer Who Tried to Bilk Insurance Companies Out of \$300,000 Sentenced to Prison

A former attorney in Texas has been sentenced to five years in prison after pleading guilty to insurance fraud and barratry, or litigation for profit, *The Fort Worth Star-Telegram* reported.

The Tarrant County district attorney said that Richard Kent Livesay schemed to bill insurers for fraudulent hailstorm damage to roofs without the knowledge or consent of homeowners.

The DA's office said Livesay would have received more than \$300,000 in fraudulent payments if his fraud hadn't been discovered first by investigators from the Texas Department of Insurance.

Livesay also had to surrender his law license and to provide restitution to his victims, the report says.

**Read the *Star-Telegram* article.**