Miami Lawyer’s Pants Erupt in Flames During Arson Trial



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A Miami defense lawyer’s pants burst into flames Wednesday afternoon as he began his closing arguments in front of a jury – in an arson case, **reports *The Miami Herald***.

Stephen Gutierrez, who was arguing that his client’s car spontaneously combusted and was not intentionally set on fire, had been fiddling in his pocket as he was about to address jurors when smoke began billowing out his right pocket, reporter David Ovalle writes, quoting witnesses.

The report says Miami-Dade Circuit Judge Michael Hanzman, in the coming days, could decide to hold Gutierrez in contempt of court.

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