

Prominent Trial Lawyer Dead After 'Battle With a Mental Health Issue'

Steve Mostyn, a top Democratic donor and prominent Houston trial lawyer who made his fortune suing insurance companies on behalf of homeowners after hurricanes, has died at 46.

Amber Mostyn, his wife, released a statement saying her husband died after "a sudden onset and battle with a mental health issue." She did not disclose the cause of death," reports *The Texas Tribune*.

KTRK, the Houston ABC television affiliate, **reports** that Mostyn died at his home Wednesday night, and, according to authorities, he took his own life.

Tribune reporters **Morgan Smith** and **Jay Root** write that Mostyn and his wife, also an attorney, have long been considered the state's most powerful Democratic backers, spending millions on Democratic campaigns in Texas and beyond.

Read the *Texas Tribune* article.