

Executive Summary for Court TV

Of the Project to Pursue the Leads in Evidence Already Gathered

In Order to Conduct a *Follow the money!* Investigation to Answer the Question:

Has a Federal Judgeship Become a Safe Haven for Coordinated Wrongdoing?

This is a poignant question, for it casts doubt on the integrity of the branch of government that should incarnate respect for the law and high ethical values. What makes it a realistic question worth investigating is the fact that since 1980 judges are charged with the duty to discipline themselves; what is more, complaints by anybody against their conduct must be filed with, and handled by, them. But according to the statistics of the [Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts](#)¹, judges [systematically dismiss](#)² all complaints. As a result, in the last 26 years only three judges out of some 2,133 federal judges, have been impeached, the last one in 1989. Actually, in the whole 217 years since the U.S. Constitution of 1789, [only 7 judges](#)³ have been impeached and convicted...on average one every 31 years!

If that were the time it would take for your CEO to be held accountable by his peers for his conduct toward you and the other people in your office, and in the meantime he could wield power over your life, liberty, and property with no more consequences than the suspension of a decision of his, do you think that he would be tempted to treat you however he wanted? If all complaints of yours ended up in the wastebasket together with those of your colleagues in the office, would you say that they would want to know of your efforts to force your CEO and his peers out of their safe haven to require them to treat you and your colleagues with respect or be liable to all of you? If so, you have an audience of 300 million colleagues waiting to know about your efforts to hold your judicial CEO and his peers accountable for their conduct.

Indeed, by law the chief justice of the Supreme Court and the associate justices review with the chief district and appellate judges [twice a year reports](#)⁴ showing that complaints against judges are dismissed systematically, which points to coordination to disregard a duty placed upon them by law. They too have known that in an area such as bankruptcy judges wield enormous power over tens of billions of dollars annually. Power and money, the two most insidious and absolute corruptors in the hands of the same judges that have exempted themselves from any discipline. There is evidence that bankruptcy judges have engaged in a [bankruptcy fraud scheme](#)⁵ with the knowledge and support of district judges, and at least the toleration of circuit judges and the justices of the Supreme Court. That evidence and [leads](#)⁶ are hereby being offered to Court TV for a joint *Follow the money!* investigative journalism and documentary project with the undersigned.

The exposure of coordinated wrongdoing involving criminal conduct throughout the federal judiciary is bound to have a farther reaching impact than finding out that the Watergate Burglary was connected to President Richard Nixon. Unlike the president and his White House aides, federal judges hold office for life or renewable 14-year terms and can only be removed through the historically useless impeachment mechanism. Hence, Court TV's investment of its investigative resources in this project would not be for a momentary scoop, but rather for the development of a lode of news of intense interest to the public, all members of the Congress dominated by "the culture of corruption", and a president who nominated two justices, including the chief. A deepening institutional crisis would keep asking the question in a self-reinforcing vicious circle: Were and are federal judges fit to decide cases?...only to be aggravated by a [class action](#)⁷ on behalf of those injured by corrupt and complaint-dismissing judges. In addition, the expertise gained from the investigation of federal judges can be reinvested in that of their state counterparts. Thus, we respectfully request an interview with Court TV to discuss this project.

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¹ Table S-22. Report of Complaints Filed and Action Taken Under Authority of 28 U.S.C. 351-364 During 12-Month Periods Between October 1, 1996 and September 30, 2005, in the 1997-2005 Annual Reports of the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts	1
² The Official Statistics of the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts Show the Systematic Dismissal of Judicial Conduct Complaints by Federal Judges, Including the Justices of the Supreme Court, by Dr. Richard Cordero, Esq.	19
³ Judges of the United States, Impeachments of Federal Judges, Federal Judicial Center, http://www.fjc.gov/history/home/nsf	23
⁴ The Supreme Court Justices and the Chief Judges Have Semi-annually Received Official Information About the Self-immunizing Systematic Dismissal of Judicial Conduct Complaints, But Have Tolerated It With Disregard for the Consequent Abuse of Power and Corruption, by Dr. Richard Cordero, Esq.	26
⁵ Statement of Facts providing evidence showing that a federal judgeship has become a safe haven for wrongdoing due to lack of an effective mechanism of judicial conduct control and calling for the formation of a virtual firm of lawyers and investigative journalists to help prepare pro bono a class action based on a representative case charging that Chief Judge John M. Walker, Jr., and Circuit Judge Dennis Jacobs of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit have engaged in a series of acts of disregard for the law, the rules, and the facts, and of systematic dismissal of judicial misconduct complaints forming a pattern of non-coincidental, intentional, and coordinated wrongdoing that protects peers and other schemers involved in a bankruptcy fraud scheme, by Dr. Richard Cordero, Esq., http://judicial-discipline-reform.org/docs/Statement_of_Facts_Table_of_Cases.pdf	28
⁶ Contact information with detailed index to exhibits, organized by categories listed in the order in which the <i>Follow the money!</i> investigation may proceed, http://Judicial-Discipline-Reform.org/docs/contact_info_by_categories.pdf	45
⁷ Federal judges have no grant of immunity from the Constitution: In a system of "Equal Justice Under Law" they must be liable to prosecution as defendants in a class action like anybody else, by Dr. Richard Cordero, Esq.	69