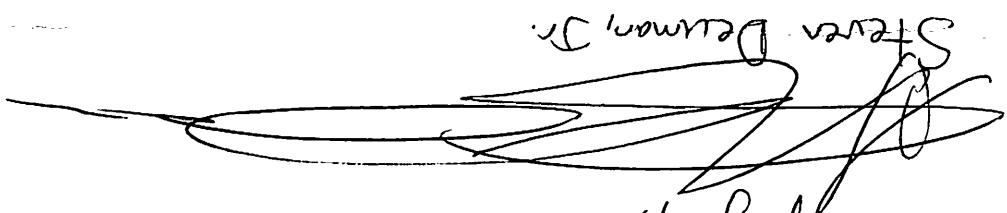


get an attorney and have the attorney contact her. I sent Dr. Ophore the medical records and briefed her regarding the allegations against me. I'm also trying to contact Drs. Karen Zur and John McCloskey of the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Drs. Zur and McCloskey are pediatric cardiac care specialists. Dr. McCloskey testified in a case indistinguishable from mine that he has observed trauma almost invariably in every other case he has had where an object were forced down a child's throat.

So, that's my case in a nutshell. Thank you for your attention in this matter. I await your anticipated response.

Most Respectfully,



Steven DeLeman, Jr.

was denied because my attorney was deemed to be ineffective.

Recently, I've been in contact with several doctors. I was told that the government is wrong in every aspect of their case. I received an affidavit from Paul H. Valkman, M.D., Ph.D. Dr. Valkman opined that Eutymus died at the hospital because ventricular fibrillation was noted in

the medical records at 2030. As such, Eutymus' incident occurred at 1930 at the earliest. During that time-frame, I was witnessed outside of the residence by Mr. Southard and Mrs. Reynolds. My phone records prove I made phone calls at 1934, 1944, 1946. Moreover, Mr. Southard and Mrs.

Reynolds testified that they and their three children re-entered "the residence for various things like to get some water and to watch a movie" I wasn't murdering anyone. Several abuse was eliminated because of the lack of trauma and vomit. There is also no sperm either. Dr. Valkman explained that the back of an infant's mouth is small - less than a inch in diameter. The only things that can get down there and obstruct in his opinion, and in the forensic texts, are things and small to that degree. Anything else would cause trauma, i.e., tears, cuts, bruises, abrasions, etc.

As of today, I'm currently seeking a private investigator or attorney to contact Dr. Janice Ophoven, M.D. Dr. Ophoven is a pediatric forensic pathologist with over 40 years experience. I contacted Dr. Ophoven in 2019. Dr. Ophoven advised me to

the F.B.I.'s, why my version of events was more detailed than the F.B.I.'s, and why there were no recordings. The government put in a motion to exclude Dr. Leo's testimony. The government argued that there is no confession and that Dr. Leo was basically going to come to trial and testify that the F.B.I. are liars. That's not fair to the government. Ultimately, the judge agreed.

The jury - which consisted of 9 women and 3 men over the age of 45 - deliberated less than an hour over lunch. The jury returned two guilty verdicts. The jury was a joke. One voir dire member made a comment that he was getting mad at me thinking about what I was accused of. The jury had heard about my case on the news. The jury consisted of 11 whites and 1 Mexican that looked questionable. Basically, the jury found me guilty before I made it to trial. During trial, the jury wanted to ask clarifying questions, but the prosecutor and my attorney said it wouldn't be fair.

My appeal was a joke. First, my appellate attorney, Robin R. Flores was contacted by me 1 month before oral arguments. The main issue was photos of Evelynne were introduced at trial to enlighten the jury. The Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit affirmed my conviction. The court agreed that the photos of Evelynne deceased were prejudicial. But that prejudice was fair.

My motion to vacate pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2255

The judge (Gordon J. Quist) denied the motion and stated that the jury can make the determination.

My attorney called Dr. Dragovic to testify. Dr. Dragovic testified at no charge to the defense - which is rare. Again, Dr. Dragovic eliminated sexual abuse as a possibility. Dr. Dragovic testified that oral rape to an infant without trauma is an anatomic improbability. Dr. Dragovic testified regarding the size difference between an adult and an infant, thus the government's theory was an impossible scenario. Dr. Dragovic found it more likely that a condom caused asphyxiation due to its rubbery natural ability to pack into the back of the throat. Dr. Dragovic testified that the death could not be concluded a homicide since an accident could not be eliminated as a probable cause of death. Dr. Dragovic went into great detail of why oral rape was not the cause of death.

My attorney was suppose to call Dr. Richard A. Leo - a false confessions expert. The purpose of Dr. Leo's testimony was because the F.B.I alleged I all but gave up a written confession in their 302 statements. The F.B.I. also left out their statements to make it seem like my statements were out of the blue. After I told my attorney that I didn't say most of those things, we asked for all of the video and audio recordings. It took the government 8 months to tell the defense there were no recordings. So I was interviewed by Dr. Leo. Dr. Leo questioned why my version of events of what was said was different from

The prosecution called Alisha Place. Ms. Place testified that we had a 2-year relationship in 2001 to 2003. She testified that I was verbally and physically abusive. Ms. Place testified that she was 11-years-old and I was 19-years-old when we started our relationship in 2001. First, I was born in 1984. In 2001, I was 16-years-old, My dad was diagnosed with lung cancer and I returned home June of 2001 from being sent away from Ms. Peltos false allegations. I did not have a drivers license and was on house arrest. I wasn't in a relationship with anyone - let alone a kid. Moreover, my attorney introduced a facebook conversation between Ms. Place and I. Ms. Place added me as a friend on facebook - something a victim does not do. My attorney pointed out that the conversation was pleasant - which is not normal if someone were victimized. Also, in that conversation, I told Ms. Place I don't know who she is. Lastly, my attorney pointed out that Ms. Place had her child placed in adoption because Ms. Place was making poor decisions. Ms. Place also had a state-wide warrant out for her arrest for drugs. My attorney asked Ms. Place how she was able to testify and not get arrested. Ms. Place testified that the government told the State of Michigan to suspend her warrant so she could testify. After her testimony, she would have to leave because the warrant would be reactivated at midnight.

The prosecution rested and my attorney moved the court for an acquittal. My attorney argued that my statements I allegedly made to the F.B.I were uncorroborated and the governments pathologist conceded that the death could be accidental.

depended on her performing oral sex and getting a man to ejaculate, we'd all be dead. Her oral sex is trash.

The prosecution called Cindy Deuman to testify. Basically, Cindy Deuman opined that I lied a lot as a kid and blamed others. Ms. Deuman did concede that when I was 15, she took a plea deal to a sexual misconduct charge that was made against me. To this day, I have no idea what I alleged to have done. In any event, I know the person that made the allegations. She will be discussed next.

The prosecution called Shauna Pelto. Ms. Pelto testified that I forced her to perform oral sex on three separate occasions. Ms. Pelto did not remember anything about these three incidences except for it was me and it hurt. She did not remember the time, day, month, season, nothing. However, my attorney did elicit testimony that she has severe mental issues and addictions to various drugs. Most importantly, Ms. Pelto made a post on MySpace to the effect that if anyone messes with her, she knows how to [mess] their lives up. Lastly, what was not allowed in court is that Ms. Pelto has a history of making false allegations. She has a history of fabricating sexual allegations. Before she fabricated her false allegations against me, she fabricated false allegations against my friend, Daniel A. Rapson. That incident was six months before Ms. Pelto made false allegations against me. I do not know the details of the allegations, I only know Mr. Rapson warned me about Ms. Pelto.

expect to see trauma if the contact were aggressive.

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David A. Start, M.D. did the autopsy and testified for the prosecution. Dr. Start opined that Evelyne asphyxiated via airway by a foreign object. Dr. Start concluded the manner of death a homicide. Dr. Start opined that an adult's penis is capable of causing asphyxiation without leaving trauma. Dr. Start did not, and could not, explain why he concluded this case is a homicide. However, Dr. Start conceded that based on the evidence and the history of the case the death could be accidental.

The prosecution called Silvano Southbird and Veronica Reynaga to testify. Basically, their testimony was that when they came home they didn't see the baby. Then at 7:10 p.m., I went from acting normal to "astounded" - a word that Mr. Southbird and Ms. Reynaga usually did not use. That was the major change in Mr. Southbird and Ms. Reynaga's testimony.

The prosecution called Ms. Martland to testify. Ms. Martland testified that sex was consensual, but oral sex was not. Ms. Martland testified that when Ms. Martland did consent to oral sex that she would make me wear a condom so I didn't ejaculate into her mouth - "which was gross". When she performed oral sex she said that I pushed her head on my penis. My penis would go back to her throat and she would gag. The problem with Ms. Martland's testimony is that she was not good at performing oral sex. If the fate of the world

had informed me that if we moved for a dismissal, it is rare for the court to dismiss the case. If the court did dismiss the case, they'd do so with prejudice. The government could hold this case over my head for the rest of my life. As such, it was better to go to trial.

Since the autopsy report noted no trauma, my attorney

sent the autopsy report to the Oakland County Chief Medical

Examiner, Gubisa J. Dragovic, M.D., FCAP FAFHS. Dr. Dragovic

eliminated oral rape as a cause of death. Dr. Dragovic - whom

is also an expert in anatomy - opined that my penis is too large

to occlude an infant's airway without trauma. Dr. Dragovic

also concluded that the manner of death cannot be a homicide

because based on the evidence, the death could be accidental.

Dr. Dragovic informed my attorney that the only way the

prosecutor's pathologist, David A. Start, M.D. came to that conclusion

of homicide is because the prosecution told him to do so.

At trial, the prosecution's theory was that Evelyn

was orally raped long before 7pm. on August 12, 2011. At

this time, I was home alone with my children. The prosecution

introduced testimony from N. Debra Simms from the Helen

DeVos Children's Hospital. Dr. Simms is a sexual abuse specialist.

Her opinion was that trauma does not always occur in cases

of penile/oral contact. According to Dr. Simms, it is normal not

to have trauma. Dr. Simms testified that she had a case

where a six-day-old infant was orally raped and there

was no trauma. However, Dr. Simms conceded that she would

Initially, I had witnesses on my side telling the truth that I was not the cause of Evelyn's death. Over time, my witnesses eventually joined the prosecution's side and began leaving out bits and pieces of the truth. I'm not sure of their reasons why they changed sides. What I know is that my brother, Silvano Southbird and his girlfriend, Veronica Reynaga had their children taken from them. My then-girlfriend, Natasha Maitland and I had our son taken from us. I remember talking to my grandmother, Faith McGruther about Ms. Maitland. Ms. McGruther had informed me via telephone that Ms. Maitland asked the F.B.I. what would happen if she were to communicate with me. The F.B.I. informed her that communicating with me would jeopardize her getting our son back.

As it pertains to the alleged sexual abuse, the prosecution's theory was that there does not have to be trauma for sexual abuse to have occurred. When the defense received the autopsy report, my attorney pointed out the fact that there is no trauma to Evelyn. Based on that information, my attorney spoke of a motion to dismiss. There was not a scratch on Evelyn. Common sense suggests that a penis with a 2-inch diameter would cause trauma to an infant's throat - which is less than an inch in diameter (approximately 1.25 centimeters). However, a motion to dismiss was never filed because my attorney thought it would be better to go to trial and obtain an acquittal. My attorney, Richard D. Stroba of the Federal Public Defenders Office for the Western District of Michigan

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Re: U.S. v. Deuman, Case No. 1:11-cr-246

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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Steven Deuman. I'm an innocent man in prison. You asked for my story about how I ended up where I'm at. Here it is:

I was arrested on probable cause on August 18, 2011. I was wrongly accused of murdering my daughter, Evelynne.

On September 19, 2011, I was indicted for first degree murder in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1111(a); 1153. I was also indicted for aggravated sexual abuse in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 2241(c). The prosecution's theory was that I orally raped my daughter causing asphyxiation and resulting in her death.