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Timeline of Events

Judge J. Paul Oetken Background

Judge James Paul Oetken is an U.S. District Court Judge for the Southern District of New York. He was recommended by **Chuck Schumer** and appointed by President Obama in July 2011.

Prior to that, he was associate general counsel, Cablevision Systems Corporation,

2004-2011; vice president, 2004-2007; senior vice president, 2007-2011.

Cablevision Systems Corporation was owned and managed by the Dolan family, along with **Madison Square Garden** and **AMC Networks** among others.

- J. Paul Oetken's former employer was **James Dolan**, who was CEO of Cablevision till 2016.
- J. Paul Oetken reported income from Cablevision was

-2009: 760 405\$ -2010: 834 036\$ -2011: 1 639 650.98\$

He also reported 357 610\$ in Cablevision stock, stocks in Madison Square Garden, Inc and AMC Networks, Inc among others.

He also listed at the time (2011) a \$2.5 million personal residence with a **\$1.5 million mortgage** The salary for a federal district judge was set at **174 000\$** for 2011.

Cablevision vs Disney

Back in March 2010, Cablevision was involved in a feud with Disney over cable channels content. The dispute in question was valued, as Cablevision claimed, to be \$240 million annually.

Libor Scandal

In 2012, the Libor scandal was revealed. It was discovered that banks were manipulating Libor by falsely inflating or deflating their interest rates to profit from trades. This practice was used to make banks appear more creditworthy than they actually were.

The US banks that were involved in the scandal included

- -Citigroup
- -Bank of America
- -JPMorgan Chase

Andrew Lo, a Professor of Finance at MIT, stated that this scandal dwarfs by orders of magnitude any financial scam in the history of markets as **trillions of dollars** were being manipulated.

Horizon Comics vs Marvel in Massachusetts

In 2013, Horizon Comics sent a cease and desist to Marvel regarding the appropriation of the Iron Man armor design as seen in Iron Man 3.

In April 2015, Horizon Comics filed a lawsuit against Marvel and Disney in Massachusetts District Court.

Judge Denise J. Casper was assigned to the case, who was also appointed by President Obama in 2010.

Altice Purchase of Cablevision

In September 2015, Altice announced it would acquire Cablevision for \$17.7 billion.

Cablevision had a market value of about \$7.9 billion at the time, but Altice was willing to pay a 22% premium in cash per Cablevision share.

The **Canada Pension Plan Investment Board (CPPIB)** and BC European Capital IX took a 30 percent equity stake in Cablevision for around \$1 billion.

CPPIB and BC European Capital IX each funded 12 percent of the acquisition in Cablevision, committing approximately \$400 million each to the deal.

CPPIB is owned by the Government of Canada, and Justin Trudeau is the Prime Minister of Canada.

The Dolan Family had a 72% voting stake in Cablevision, so the sale to Altice was a done deal barring government approval.

Horizon Comics vs Marvel Ruling in Massachusetts

On February 9 2016, Judge Denise J. Casper granted Defendants' motion to dismiss for personal jurisdiction and improper venue. However, the Court did not address Defendants' arguments to transfer the case **specifically** to the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York.

<u>Horizon Comics vs Marvel in Southern District of New York</u>

In April 2016, Horizon Comics refiled the lawsuit in the District Court for the Southern District of New York to prevent Defendants jurisdiction and improper venue motions. This time around, Judge J. Paul Oetken was assigned to the case.

Defendants were represented by **Hogan Lovells** law firm, with Sandy Litvack being lead counsel.

Sandy Litvack was former Vice Chairman of the Board at Disney.

Bob Iger, CEO of the Walt Disney Co., recounted in his book "The Ride of a Lifetime" his interactions with Sandy Litvack in getting the position he is in today.

Another attorney for Defendants, **Andrew Leff**, left the case less than a month after making his appearance in court.

Interest Rate Swaps Antitrust Litigation (Libor Scandal)

In June 2016, Public School Teachers' Pension and Retirement Fund of Chicago, Los Angeles County Employees Retirement Association, Pension funds in Michigan, and City of Baltimore filed an antitrust litigation against 10 Banks (Bank of America, Citigroup, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, Goldman Sachs, **JPMorgan Chase**, Morgan Stanley, NatWest, UBS, and Barclays). They alleged that

- -the banks conspired to monopolize the interest rate swaps market.
- -the banks boycotted platforms that offered better prices.
- -the banks tried to block startup trading platforms.

Their case was transferred to the Southern District of New York, despite none of the Plaintiffs resided in New York.

Their case was assigned to Judge Paul A. Engelmayer.

<u>Altice Finalized Cablevision Acquisition</u>

In June 2016, Altice acquisition of Cablevision was completed.

The Dolans take of the sale was reported to be \$2.2 billion.

Cablevision was folded into Altice USA.

Altice USA Carriage Dispute with AMC Networks

In November 2016, Altice USA engaged in a carriage dispute with the Dolan family (the former owners of Cablevision), as Altice's contract to carry AMC Networks group of channels was to expire on December 31, 2016.

On December 28 the two sides reached an agreement, three days before their contract with AMC expired.

Horizon Comics vs Marvel Moved Forward

On March 27, 2017, Judge Oetken dismissed the Iron Man armor design claim, but allowed the movie poster for Iron Man 3 to proceed, which gave way to judicial discovery.

In April 2017, around the time of the Boston Marathon, Sandy Litvack visited Jeffrey Weisner (Plaintiff's counsel) to discuss settlement agreements, but added that "...\$20 million is too much".

The Lai Brothers depositions were schelduled for February 2018, prior to Defendants witnesses depositions, which included **C.B. Cebulski** and **Tom Brevoort**.

On January 25, 2018, **Theresa M. House**, another counsel for Defendants, left Hogan Lovells for Arnold & Porter.

Altice USA IPO

In April 2017, Altice USA filed with the SEC paperwork looking to raise as much as \$100 million.

The Canada Pension Plan Investment Board would also be a major owner of Altice USA.

JP Morgan, Morgan Stanley, Citigroup and Goldman Sachs are joint book-runners for the proposed offering.

On June 12 2017, Altice USA ammended IPO filing to \$1.35 billion, which included 46.55 million shares of Class A common stock (more than 12 million shares will be offered by Altice USA, nearly 21 million by funds advised by BC Partners and more than 13.5 million shares will be offered by entities affiliated with the Canada Pension Plan Investment Board).

On June 22 2017, Altice USA became the 2nd largest IPO of the year with **\$1.92 billion**, with shares priced above **\$31.75** per share.

Interest Rate Swaps Antitrust Litigation Allowed to Move Forward

On July 28, 2017, Judge Paul A. Engelmayer allowed the class action brought against the ten banks to move forward.

Carriage Disputes with Altice USA

Only months after the success of the IPO, a string of carriage disputes hit Altice USA.

In September 2017, Altice USA engaged in a dispute with The **Walt Disney Company**; the contract to carry the company's channels was set to expire on October 1, 2017.

That contract was most likely negotiated back in 2010, when J. Paul Oetken was senior vice president and associate general counsel of **Cablevision**.

On January 1, 2018, Altice dropped Starz from its channel lineup. The dispute came after the companies were unable to reach an agreement.

On February 13, 2018, the dispute ended after both companies reached a new multi-year agreement.

C.B. Cebulski Named Editor-in-Chief

On November 17, 2017, C.B. Cebulski was promoted to Marvel's Editor-in-Chief despite the controversy where he pretended to be Japanese (Akira Yoshida) in order to work for Marvel as a writer as well as an editor.

His promotion also happened mere months prior to his scheduled deposition in the Iron Man 3 litigation with Horizon Comics (June 5, 2018).

The Walt Disney Company's Acquisition of 21st Century Fox

On December 14, 2017, Disney announced its intention to acquire 21st Century Fox for \$52.4 billion, all-stock deal.

On June 20, 2018, Disney increased its bid to \$71.3 billion.

On July 27, 2018, Disney and Fox shareholders approved the merger.

The deal would make the Murdochs Disney's Largest Individual Shareholders.

In September 2018, 21st Century Fox (soon belonging to Disney) announced that all of its entertainment and sports channels would be removed from Altice on October 1 if a new retransmission agreement was not reached by that date.

Madison Square Garden's New Venture: Sphere

In May 2018, Madison Square Garden Company, led by James Dolan, revealed a massive construction project in Las Vegas dubbed Sphere.

It was originally estimated at \$1.2 billion in 2019.

Construction costs ballooned to \$2.3 billion by September 2023, when it first opened.

The Walt Disney Company's Acquisition of Fox Completed

On March 20, 2019, The acquisition of Fox was completed.

Multiple Marvel Employees Got Caught Committing Perjury

In November 2018, the Lai Brothers were able to retrieve emails they had with Marvel, including C.B. Cebulski among others, during their time working at Marvel.

The emails contradicted many of the sworn statements made by Defendants witnesses.

In February 2019, both Plaintiffs lead counsel Jeffrey Weisner and Defendants lead counsel Sandy Litvack left their respective law firms.

Sandy Litvack left Hogan Lovells for Chaffetz Lindsey.

Jeffrey Weisner left Stern, Shapiro, Weissberg and Garin for Wiesner McKinnon LLP.

In April 2019, it was revealed to the Court that C.B. Cebulski, Tom Brevoort, and others had committed perjury in their sworn depositions.

In May 2019, a hearing was held with Judge Oetken to address the matter. Even Sandy acknowledged that C.B. may have told a "dumb lie".

Sandy Litvack did not contact Plaintiffs counsel to discuss settlement negotiations after proof of perjury was presented to him.

On July 15, 2019, Judge Oetken ruled in favor for Defendants despite showing proof of perjury. None of the individuals who committed perjury were penalized.

Those who were accused of perjury still retain their positions at Marvel to this day.

None of the inconsistencies in the Defendants development were scrutinized.

The inconsistencies included

- -file creation date that predated sworn testimonies.
- -all the development files had the same exact creation date and time, down to the second.
- -all history from the development files were deleted.
- -files which used outdated Photoshop programs.
- -development sketches that were all appropriated from other IPs.
- -all of Defendants emails were in PDF format with no metadata in them.

Upon learning of the Judge's verdict, the Lai Brothers went to do research regarding the Judge's background, and in the days that followed, they discovered most of what was written here.

Neither did Judge Oetken recuse himself for his past dealings with Disney, nor did Sandy mention to the Court the Judge's connection to Cablevision regarding possible conflict of interest.

The Lai Brothers believed then that there was collusion between the Defendants and the Judge, that Defendants would then ask the Court for legal fees (in the sum totalling millions) in which the Judge would grant.

It was the reason Plaintiff signed the stipulation. However Sandy, in his haste, drafted the stipulation with only 2 sentences.

- 1. Horizon agrees not to seek appellate review of the Final Judgment, or to otherwise prosecute the case in any further way.
- 2. In consideration for the steps described in Paragraph 1, Defendants will not make any application for attorneys' fees and/or costs in connection to this case.

The stipulation was signed on July 25, 2019.

Judge Oetken also sealed the case.

Judge Engelmayer Recused Himself in Interest Rate Swaps Antitrust Litigation

On September 6, 2019, Judge Engelmayer recused himself in the case because Berkshire Hathaway, Inc had recently become a beneficial owner of greater than 10% of Bank of America's common stock. And his family have ownership in Berkshire Hathaway stocks. In September 2019, **Judge Oetken** took over the case.

On October 19, 2019, Madison Square Garden secured a **\$1.4 billion loan** for the project, in which **JPMorgan Chase** was the lead bank lender.

However, with James Dolan, his former boss of 7 years whom he owed his lucrative executive career, being at the helm of Madison Square Garden, the question arose as to why Judge Oetken did not recuse himself for possible conflict of interest as well.

<u>CPPIB and BC Partners Altice USA Massive Stock Dump</u>

On February 28, 2019, BC Partners (BCP) and **Canada Pension Plan Investment Board** (**CPPIB**) elected to sell **34 million** Altice USA Class A shares.

Altice USA elected to purchase approximately **7 million** of these shares for a total consideration of **\$150 million**.

On June 7, 2019, BC Partners (BCP) and **Canada Pension Plan Investment Board (CPPIB)** elected to sell **25 million** Altice USA Class A shares.

Altice USA elected to purchase approximately **6 million** of these shares for a total consideration of approximately **\$150 million**.

On September 10, 2019, BC Partners (BCP) and **Canada Pension Plan Investment Board (CPPIB)** elected to sell **20 million** Altice USA Class A shares.

Altice USA elected to purchase approximately **1.8 million** of these shares for a total consideration of approximately **\$50 million**.

On May 6, 2020, **Canada Pension Plan Investment Board (CPPIB)** elected to sell **11.2 million** Altice USA Class A shares to an unnamed broker dealer, representing substantially all of their remaining stake in the company.

Altice USA purchased about **2.2 million** of those shares from the broker dealer for **\$52 million**. Altice USA shares were priced at **\$23.81** each on May 6, 2020.

On August 12, 2020, BC Partners elected to sell approximately **17.3 million** Altice USA Class A shares, representing all of their remaining stake in the company.

Altice USA elected to purchase approximately **6.9 million** of these shares, for a total consideration of approximately **\$187 million**.

Altice USA shares were priced at \$27.36 each on August 12, 2020.

Between 2020 and 2023, share prices of Altice USA have tanked 89%.

Altice USA shares were priced at \$2.62 each on January 15, 2025.

Horizon Comics vs Marvel in Quebec Superior Court

On April 22, 2021, Horizon Comics filed a new lawsuit against Marvel and Disney, this time in Quebec Superior Court.

The new lawsuit alleged new infringements with regards to Iron Man's armor design in Avengers: Infinity War. Ant Man and the Wasp were also added to the claim.

Plaintiffs are represented by Julie Desrosiers and Lina Bensaidane of Fasken Martineau DuMoulin.

Marvel, Disney and the other defendants sought to dismiss this claim saying Quebec Superior Court "does not have jurisdiction over the defendants," "Horizon's application is an abuse of process," and the prior ruling bars the more recent suit.

However, on March 15, 2022, Justice Jerome Frappier dismissed Marvel's motion and the case will go forward.

Defendants tried to appeal the Judge's decision, but on May 25, 2022, Judge Christine Baudouin reaffirmed Judge Frappier's ruling.

On April 27, 2024, Horizon filed an abuse of process motion against Marvel and Disney.

"We realized that they did some things that misled the court and misled us with respect to revenues and profits deriving from these films in Canada," said Desrosiers.

Simply put, Marvel and Disney claimed that they made no money in Canada on the films, only to find out otherwise at the request of the Court.

Other factors included

- -more perjury from Defendants witnesses, including C.B. Cebulski, again.
- -no emails this time around regarding development of Iron Man's armor, Ant Man and the Wasp's helmets, since Plaintiff asked for emails in .PST format (PST have metadata stored in the file's header).
- -More PSD files using outdated Photoshop programs (pre Cloud based versions).
- -All history from the development files were deleted.
- -Defendant's expert witness (same as in the New York proceedings) turned out to be working at Marvel during the litigation, hired by C.B. Cebulski.
- -Defendant's expert witness also made false claims in his report, including no knowledge of Ryan Meinerding but in fact worked with him.

Plaintiff was seeking \$180 000 in legal fees for the abuse motion.

However, on September 6, 2024, Judge Louis Gouin refused to rule on the matter, but deferred to the Trial Judge instead.

He did put a protective order on the case until trial begins in 2026 at the earliest.

Judge Oetken's Rulings in Interest Rate Swaps Antitrust Litigation

On December 15, 2023, Judge Oetken refused to certify the case as Class Action.

The denial stood as a big blow to the swaps case since individual investors cannot typically bring lawsuits on their own.

In June 2024, the ten U.S. and European banks, including **JPMorgan Chase**, Goldman Sachs, Citi and BNP Paribas, agreed to pay \$46 million to settle the case.

Attorneys for the plaintiff investors filed a proposed settlement which would boost to **\$71 million**, the total value of settlements in the case.

However, The analysts predicted earlier that the banks would have to pay between **\$170 million** and **\$850 million**, based on a \$25 million settlement Credit Suisse paid in the case in 2022. On October 10, 2024, Judge Oetken approved the settlement.

Interestingly, On October 14, 2024, **Sphere Entertainment Co.**, previously known as **Madison Square Garden Entertainment**, has entered into a forbearance agreement with **JPMorgan Chase** regarding the **\$829 million** of the \$1.4 billion that was due that month.

JPMorgan Chase has agreed to temporarily suspend exercising their rights related to the company's failure to repay the principal amount due on the maturity date, which was October 14, 2024.

The forbearance period is set to expire on November 8, 2024.

Since then, Sphere and **JPMorgan Chase** have agreed to extend the negotiation window into December and then again through January 10, then once more until midnight of January 31, 2025.

Corruption Investigation into Altice

In July 2023, Armando Pereira, the co-founder and former chief operating officer of telecoms company Altice, was detained for questioning in Portugal in an investigation into alleged corruption.

The charges which led to the arrest included corruption, tax fraud, forgery, and money laundering at Altice's Portuguese subsidiary.

In March 2024, Prosecutors in France opened their own preliminary probe into potential corruption linked to French telecoms group Altice.

The investigation in France comes at a time when Drahi is looking to sell assets to ease the company's **\$60 billion in debts**.

Justin Trudeau and His Wife Announced their Separation

Less than a month after Armando Pereira's arrest, on August 3, 2023, Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and his wife, Sophie Gregoire Trudeau, announced that they are separating after 18 years of marriage.

They both have signed a legal separation agreement.

The question arises as to the timing of the separation with regards to the Altice investigation. Justin Trudeau's connection to CPPIB as Prime Minister.

CPPIB's connection to Altice USA, and the reason behind the sale of all of CPPIB's stake in Altice USA prior to the stock tanked to around \$2.00 per share. A big portion of the sale was bought back by Altice USA (with funds coming from where).

Altice USA's connection to Cablevision, The Dolans, Disney and Fox. And all the dealings which took place during Horizon Comics litigation in New York.

And finally Cablevision, The Dolans and Disney's connection to Judge Oetken. And how Judge Oetken could still rule in favor of Disney despite proof of perjury.

Other Cases of Interest Assigned to Judge Oetken After Horizon vs Marvel Litigation
Lev Parnas was involved in the much-publicized Trump-Ukraine scandal, along with Rudolph
Giuliani, Donald Trump, Joe Biden, and Ukraine's Zelenskyy.

Although Parnas pled guilty to fraud fundraising, in which Judge Oetken sentenced him to 20 months of prison, inconsistencies arose regarding his text messages that were submitted to the investigation.

Here are some of the inconsistencies that were discovered.

Background

All text messages came from Lev Parnas phone.

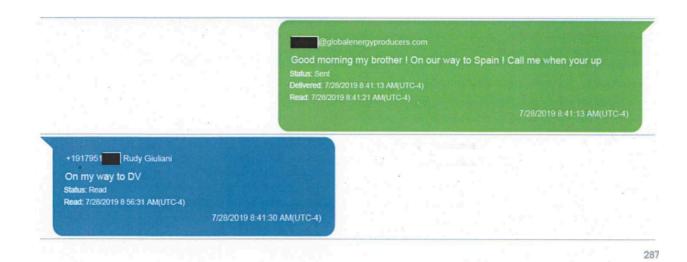
All text messages have metadata which includes date and time of when texts are sent and received.

An UTC code (Coordinated Universal Time) is also embedded. SInce cell phones get the time from GPS satellites and cell towers, an UTC code can track the phone's location.

Example, say you travel from New York to London, your time in New York would be UTC-5, whereas in London it would be UTC-0 (the time corresponding to the time of that location). For reference,

- -US East Coast is UTC-5
- -England is UTC-0
- -Ukraine and Israel is UTC+2

So if England is 12pm, New York would be 7am and Ukraine 2pm.





Parnas made a statement on July 28, 2019 8:41:13 AM that he was on his way to Spain. He even posted a picture the next day at 7:26:27 AM, but the UTC does not match that of Spain, which is UTC+1.

Other examples of location statements not matching with UTC.





Then there was an instance of text messages being in different UTC time zones, but occurred at the same time.

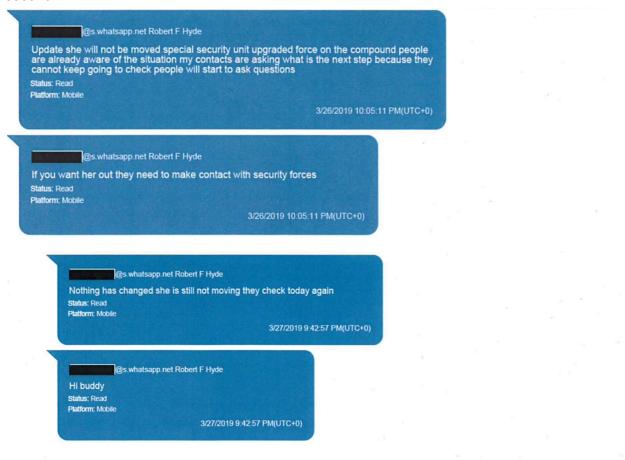


On the left are text exchanges between Parnas and John Solomon. On the right, with Joseph Ahearn.

On the left last post the time stamp is 3/24/2019 12:29:26 PM (UTC-4). On the right last post the time stamp is 3/24/2019 4:30:07 PM (UTC+0).

Factoring in UTC time zone between the two and they are occurring around the same time but in vastly different UTC locations.

And finally, there are different text messages with the **exact** time stamp, right down to the second.



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@s.whatsapp.net Robert F Hyde

It's confirmed we have a person inside

Status: Read

Platform: Mobile

3/27/2019 9:42:57 PM(UTC+0)

It's more important than ever to get a good ambassador that's loyal to our president in there please make sure you pass on the message every ear more important than ever status: Sent Platform: Mobile

5/14/2019 12:03:47 PM(UTC+0)

It's crazy we have enemies of our president surrounding the new president of Ukraine
Status: Sent Platform: Mobile

5/14/2019 12:03:47 PM(UTC+0)

Gerber et al v. The Financial Trust Company et al

On August 20, 2018, Marvin Gerber and Kalma Koenig alleged **Jeffrey E. Epstein** among others of building a \$473 million Ponzi Scheme to defraud investors.

Judge Oetken was assigned to the case. However, on October 5, 2018, the case was voluntarily dismissed by the Plaintiffs.

Epstein was arrested on July 6, 2019, on federal charges for the sex trafficking of minors in Florida and New York. He died in his jail cell on August 10, 2019.

Qatari Royals Human Trafficking Cover Up

On February 14, 2019, The Qatar ruling family's abuse of employees and laws was exposed in an **off the record** initial conference in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York.

A low-ball settlement was submitted to SDNY Judge J. Paul Oetken on June 1, 2019. The total is \$150 000, fully half being attorneys' fees; it is signed by the royals without any admission. On June 10, 2019, the proposed settlement was approved, and the case was **dismissed with prejudice**.

New York Lt. Gov. Brian Benjamin Bribery and Fraud Charges

On December 5, 2022, bribery and fraud charges that were filed against former New York Lt. Gov. Brian Benjamin were tossed out by Judge Oetken.

Prosecutors notified the Judge hours later that they were appealing the ruling.

On February 9, 2024, **Gerald Migdol**, the alleged co-conspirator and key witness against former New York Lt. Gov. Brian Benjamin, has died.

Feds said death of key witness in Brian Benjamin bribery case **does not affect pending appeal**.

On March 8, 2024, A federal appeals court Friday reinstated bribery charges against former Lieutenant Governor Brian Benjamin, reversing a lower court ruling.

In December 2024, Brian A. Benjamin must face trial on federal corruption charges after the Supreme Court turned down a request to dismiss much of the case.

Their decision clears the way for a full trial in Manhattan as early as next year before the district court judge who initially dismissed the charges, J. Paul Oetken.

On January 17, 2025, bribery case against Brian Benjamin **was dropped** because Gerald Migdol, a cooperating witness and co-defendant, died on February 9, 2024.

U.S. District Judge J. Paul Oetken immediately approved dismissal of the charges. Benjamin's lawyers hailed the decision as a "vindication".

Jones vs Combs and Doe vs Combs

On February 22, 2024, another case in the Southern District of New York made headlines. Judge Robert W. Lehrburger ordered **Dame Dash** to sell his one-third ownership of **Roc-A-Fella** to satisfy a judgement after Dash allegedly refused to pay a \$823K judgement to movie producer Josh Webber.

Kareem "Biggs" Burke objected to the auction of Dame's shares, claiming the company bylaws mandate that the board of directors must first approve the sell-off. Judge Lehrburger, however, determined that his share qualifies as a personal asset that can be seized in order to pay his debts.

On February 26, 2024, Rodney "Lil Rod" Jones, a former producer, filed a RICO (The Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act) lawsuit against Sean "Diddy" Combs, along with **Lucian Charles Grainge** and **Universal Music Group**.

Representing Plaintiff is Tyrone Blackburn.

In September 2024, speculations swirled as to the valuation of the one third stake in Roc-A-Fella.

Dame Dash's lawyer Natraj Bhushan claims has at least "five or six" buyers willing to bid more than **\$6 million**, including Drake.

On November 14, 2024, the auction for Dame Dash's one-third share of Roc-A-Fella Records took place.

New York State won the auction with a bid of **\$1 million**, far less of what Dame Dash was ordered to owe.

Dame Dash claimed no one showed up, not even Jay Z, who co-founded the company. New York State made a creditors bid on the legendary rap company's shares, meaning it didn't have to front the **\$1 million**, and can now **resell the portion of the company at no risk**. On December 8, 2024, a separate Doe case filed against Sean Combs named **Jay Z** (**Shawn Corey Carter**) as Defendant, alleging the rape of a 13-year-old girl in 2000.

That case is represented by **Tony Buzbee**.

On December 15, 2024, Judge Oetken refused Universal Music Group's (UMG) request for sanctions.

However, Tyrone Blackburn voluntarily retracted **Lucian Charles Grainge** and **Universal Music Group** from the case, citing a lack of sufficient evidence.

Both Jones vs Combs and Doe vs Combs are ongoing, however the conflict of interest between these cases is palpable.

- -Roc-A-Fella's parent company is Universal Music Group.
- -Jay Z is co-founder of Roc-A-Fella, which holds many of Jay Z's albums.
- -Jay Z is founder of **Roc Nation**, which deals with both Universal Music Group and Madison Square Garden.
- -Lucian Charles Grainge is CEO of Universal Music Group.
- -Jay Z's ties to Lucian Grainge through Roc-A-Fella, Roc Nation and Tidal.

- -New York State got a low ball offer for Roc-A-Fella shares, which means New York has a financial stake in the outcome of these cases.
- -Judge Oetken's ties to New York State being a District Judge in the Southern District of New York.

In January, 2025, it was revealed that attorney **Marc Kasowitz** has joined Tony Buzbee in the sexual assault case against Combs and rapper Jay-Z.

Marc Kasowitz is previously known for his legal counsel for **Donald Trump** for the course of 15 years.

Adria Sheri English, a former go-go dancer, named Donald Trump as an attendee of "**freak-off parties**" hosted by Sean Combs.

Kasowitz's ties to Trump and Trump's ties to Combs casts a huge shadow as to Kasowitz's involvement in this case.

Mexican Government Bonds Antitrust Litigation

On January 15, Judge Oetken denied banks' motion to dismiss U.S. Pension Funds' price-fixing lawsuit, which included **JPMorgan Chase** as Defendants.

The timing between this ongoing case ruling with the ongoing forbearance negotiations between **Madison Square Garden** and **JPMorgan Chase** is hard to dismiss.

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