

# Comments by Don's Supporters

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"I had represented Mr. Miller at trial. The verdict was not supported by credible evidence, resulting in a miscarriage of justice and unjust imprisonment."

(Don's trial attorney)

"I unequivocally believe Don got royally screwed by two individuals who grossly abused their power and authority. I have always believed that and have never hesitated to express my views to anyone. Keeping an innocent man in prison is not in the public good, and it is to the public that the District Attorney owes a duty."

(Former Iron County DA)

"Many of the accusations about [DA Lipske's] actions in your case ... are consistent with the conduct I have become familiar with during my extensive dealings with him in hundreds of criminal cases over the last eight years. My concerns about his conduct ... are similar in nature to those you raise in your case, i.e. retaliatory and vindictive use of his prosecutorial authority, inadequate or non-existent investigation, and a casual disregard for facts. These characteristics work to my advantage during a trial where I can bring them to light, but the cost to the wrongfully accused or criminally overcharged person, not to mention the taxpayer who pays for unnecessary litigation, is great."

(Concerned Iron County Attorney)

- The following letter was written by newspaper editor Don Harkins:

"The system is in place to protect the interests of those who engaged in the original travesty and to protect the state from incurring liability for wrongful imprisonment as a result of malicious prosecution. In the case of Don Miller, I believe the former is the controlling issue that has prevented his return to court. The new and compelling information in this case, if made public, would lead to some form of relief and indictments for a cast of complicit characters of varying degrees of social and political prominence. I believe that several mechanisms have been running concurrently to prevent Miller from getting back into court because a few people with a lot to lose have done everything in their power to frustrate his desire for a new day in court. New evidence and new witnesses continue accumulating ... and he will prevail if he ever gets back into court — and the bad guys know it."

"Typical corrupt Iron County. Their corruption must be exposed."

(J.K.)

"I know firsthand of all the lies and bullshit that Connie pulled. Everything she accused me of in the past was all bullshit. She put a restraining order on me after she stole all my furniture from my apartment. Good way of me not being able to get it back. I can recall many times where I was threatened "*You're gonna pay for this*" by Connie and then the bullshit would begin. I could go on and on with the shit I went through with her. I remember when all this shit first started and Connie was coming to me crying that your dad [Don Miller] kicked her out. I would tell her to stay away from me, shortly after is when the allegations took place on your dad. What timing. I just find myself thinking how easy it could have been for her to make the same allegations on me."

(Connie's prior boyfriend, K. A.)

"I believe he is innocent. I used to hang around with Connie for a few years and everything written about her is true. Had to quit hanging around with her because of her issues. I do believe Don Miller got an unfair trial and that he did not do all that Connie is saying he did. This is just her way of life, and her family."

(Tracey F.)

"I fully believe that Don Miller is a completely innocent man. I used to be good friends with Connie and know what types of things she is capable of, and this accusing a man of rape or violence is something that she has done many times."

(Michele A.)

"I knew this woman many years ago and she is known by everyone to be a drunk and a liar... she needs to sit for what she has done to this man and his family ... she has destroyed enough lives. I don't know how she can show her face in Hurley, there has to be many people out there furious with her ... she is whacked in the head and we all know it. All I can do is shake my head and hope her day will come; and stay strong Don, it won't be long until she gets her day in court."

(Wonderer)

"I was talking to my mother-in-law about this sickening injustice and brought up Connie's name. She knew of her and told a story about Connie ... Connie was abusing, as in hitting and slapping, her son at her house in her driveway and my mother in-law's husband told Connie to get off their property ... so she had to walk home. She ended up calling my in-laws the next day saying she got raped and that it was all their fault. I don't know if this would help. I follow this story and feel sick to my stomach about it all. Good luck Don and God bless you and your family."

(Bethany C.)

"I knew Connie many years ago and her reputation now is no better than it was then. I see this woman has not changed at all ... she is still up to her old ways ... if she don't get what she wants you will regret it. Grow up Connie, face your lies and tell the truth, let this man raise his son and leave him alone. Everyone in Ironwood knows who and what you are, you need to be afraid to show your face."

(Kim's post at loserplanet.com)

"I was drawn to your ordeal due to the fact that I experienced the Vargovich family firsthand. I know Connie to be an extremely violent person. I took many beatings from her growing up [and] I have known Connie to be a liar and manipulator. It is a shame that trash like that can obtain sympathy from the so called "judges" while secretly smirking her devilish grin that she once again got away with something. I have nothing to offer you other than my sympathy that you became the victim of the con. It saddens me to read of your situation, and I wish I could help."

(Billie Jo H.)

"I read through your website and find it very disturbing.  
I remember Connie and Michelle Vargovich, they were customers of mine ...  
Connie was nothing but trouble."

(Jim A.)

"In any other place in the world this story would surely be unbelievable ... but not in Iron County. "Ignorance, apathy and incompetence" are their motto. I am also quite familiar with Connie Vargovich. She was conceived and born of the Devil himself. That woman is pure evil and always has been. Truly a waste of human flesh. I am very sorry to know that Don became involved with her. I do not know Don but I only need to know that Connie was involved to believe him."

(Becky A.)

"Iron County has always had the reputation of having a corrupt court system. I personally can attest to the fact that Judge Madden is a drunk, as I have seen him drinking in the Hurley taverns many times over the years. Also, Connie has always been a vindictive, mean spirited person. I can say this as I have known her for almost 20-years. I am appalled at what has happened in this case and I can't figure out how things like this are allowed to happen. I have been telling anyone who will listen about this case and I hope justice will prevail."

(B.B. post)

"I logged onto your site as a joke. My husband is a prison guard and he says almost every inmate professes his innocence. I thought this would be another of those cases and needed a dose of daily humor. Humor I did not receive from your website!! I worked for several local attorneys and the Vargovich name became very familiar to me. The whole darn family is nuts [and] there were rumors that the Gogebic County Courthouse was wrapped up in Connie's web ... that several of the men there were receiving sexual favors from her in an attempt to avoid various charges, fines, etc. I'll bet a few "favors" played a part in your dad's case too."

(Kristopher T's wife)

"If this doesn't scare you, it should! An innocent businessman in our area ... has been sent to prison based on the testimony of a well known psychopathic woman! She has a long record on non-stop lying and she was allowed to take the stand and testify against a law abiding citizen. She was caught lying, this time under oath. If what you read doesn't scare you, it should!"

(B.B. board guest)

"There should be some serious inquiries into all the people involved in this case and justice should be served for Don, and those who have put him there for their own reasons should be punished to the fullest extent of the law."

(Connie's friend, Shelli)

"I know Connie ... she is seriously deranged."

(Angela S.)

"This is one of the worst cases of false imprisonment I have ever heard of ... and I am outraged that a skank like Connie Vargovich can make up lies to put a hard working family man like Don in prison for her own personal vendetta. That she was aided and abetted in this matter by the DA and judge himself is a mockery of justice and would almost be funny if not for Don spending his life (so far) behind bars for NOTHING! This good 'ol boy crap going on in Iron County is too scary. There is no way on EARTH that Judge Madden should have ever heard this case, what with his cavorting with Connie both before and during Don's trial. How he is still rotting in prison when these facts are known is beyond me. What a miscarriage of justice. My thoughts and prayers are with Don, his mom, and his family and I hope you get the justice you deserve ASAP! Madden, Lipske and Connie should go to prison for the same amount of time that Don was unjustifiably locked up."

(Craig JK)

- The following is an e-mail sent to DA Lipske by Jessi S.:

"I can't even believe I live in such a town where the judicial system is so corrupt. How you can sleep at night is beyond me!!!! I hope by the time this is done you are the one sitting 42-years ... Oh, one more question: How long were you sticking it to Connie the psycho? That is the only reason why I could think some one with your kind of stature would protect such a low, lying person. In this community her family is known for their lying, conning, drinking, fighting, drug dealing, child abuse, frauding the government and lying to social services. Tell me, HOW CAN YOU SLEEP!!!"

"If Connie confesses to this then she gets off; but if she don't then she may be convicted? If that is the case, I do hope that she don't confess because it would be a shame for her to get off on this ... Hoping that they can convict her on all the evidence that is here. I know Don don't want to see anything bad happen to her but something needs to be done to stop her! I believe that if she is let off of this then who is to stop her the next time? Don has suffered enough ... time for Connie to pay. I knew Connie years ago and she never gave something for nothing. I don't know how she can go out and show her face in Hurley, I would be ashamed, embarrassed! What kind of woman is that? The word skank, well that is too nice!! Anyway, I just hope she gets what she deserves and that is NOT freedom!!! GOOD LUCK DON!!!!"

(Wonderer)

"The judge is corrupt. This case was not held even remotely fair.  
A mistrial should have been declared."

(Dan M.)

"I have been a friend of your father for many years. Knowing Don, all the allegations against him are bullshit. The judicial system here sucks. Look at who heads it: Marty Lipske, and Pat Madden a drunk. I truly hope Don can get the break he needs. He does not deserve this. He is a fine man and father."

(Skipper)

"I went to school with Don.  
I never, ever seen him violent or even angry.  
I'll do what I can."

(Greg B.)

"I've known Don for a few years and never known him to do any of that; he is a hard worker and if anyone needs to be in prison it's her, she is whacked in the head.  
The truth will come out soon."

(B.B. Guest)

"He is a good man. Please reconsider."

(George F.)

"I've known Don since he was a baby. There is no doubt in my mind that he is innocent. It is hard to believe that the justice system is so corrupt, but it is. I will never trust it. And a wonderful man suffers. Not to mention everyone that loves him."

(Robert A.)

"I also personally know people involved and it's very scary to think that just as easily it could happen to me. If anyone can do anything to help it will be very appreciated, even word of mouth makes a difference. Thanks for posting it."

(cPIXIEK post)

"This is an amazing story, one which I do not doubt in the least. I'm always in touch with the goings on and the multitude of political and legal issues that surround the "criminals in suits" that run Iron County, so it doesn't surprise me in the least ... people are becoming fed up with local official's antics and their escape from punishment. Hurley officials seem to think they are still in the "good 'ol days" of boot leggin', gambling and prostitution ... with them running the show. GO GET 'EM!!"

(B.B. guest)

"DA Lipske, Judge Madden, plus several of the "law enforcement officials" there in the Hurley – Ironwood area all know what they've done is wrong. The sad thing is that they continue to use and abuse the system."

(B.B. guest)

"I just found out how she did it: She was sleeping with the judge who presided in the case! They were party buddies for many years. Witnesses are beginning to speak while Don Miller is still sitting in prison."

(B.B. post by 'Lilmissy)

"He was framed by his girlfriend, the police and the judge because they were all involved in the scam to convict someone, and he was there. His girlfriend was also sleeping with the judge and all the cops."

(Jeanene R.)

"Shame on Iron County for prosecuting an innocent man. Missing evidence and the fact that Judge Madden was intimately involved with Connie, which is common knowledge in the many bars [and] taverns that they frequented ... Don has missed many valuable years of his life in prison, while the 'wicked' are free. It is about time people take a stand. Support the innocent and pursue justice."

(Josie D.)

"It's about time someone sees the truth."

(Karl M.)

"The entire Hurley area is corrupt. People everywhere get falsely accused. It's happened far too often. The courts often side with their friends and family who are involved with the case. You can't get a judge with friends or family involved. This needs to stop. THIS NEEDS TO STOP. Somebody important needs to scrutinize the actions of these corrupt officials."

(Owen A.)

"This is the result of DA Lipske. I have read all the charges the courts accused him of in the past and that his license had been revoked ... I certainly sympathize with what has been happening. What I have learned about Iron County "justice" is that there isn't one."

(Pat K.)

"An injustice has been done to an Iron County resident ... his name is Don Miller. The area itself is a 'good ole boy' philosophy to the extreme. It would be deeply appreciated if this matter could be looked into. Many Iron County citizens are in an uproar about it."

(Tammy F.)

"I think this woman needs to be locked up in a mental institution and the judge and DA should be ousted from their positions. Even though I do not live in MI or WI, I do have family there ... they are appalled by this. My prayers are with you."

(Chris)

"Don was sentenced by a judge who was romantically involved with the alleged victim."

(Phillip L.)

"Law enforcement should be ashamed of themselves.  
What an injustice this has been."

(Michelle B.)

"Your father has become the victim of a small town very corrupt justice system. It is very sad to see such a good person and his family left to live in misery because of it. The details of the trial, history of the case, persons involved, the perjury especially and the criminal negligence of the Iron County judge, the DA, and Iron County police all adds up to one of the most obviously scandalous wrongful convictions brought to light in recent times and they must be stopped and Connie, not your father, should be in prison! Keep up the fight and pass on best wishes to your dad! It is important that he knows he has support from people who care about this injustice!"

(Stephanie W.)

- The following letter was sent by Pam Cooper to Wisconsin Governor Jim Doyle:

"Dear Governor Doyle, I would like to ask you to look into the case of Donald Miller. I happen to believe he is innocent and that officials in Hurley are a bit corrupt. Too many pieces of new information keep coming to light ... An innocent man should not be sitting in prison while corrupt city officials are free. You really need to send someone to that town to investigate." Sincerely, P. Cooper

"Connie and DA Lipske — the lies from them just keep getting thicker and dirtier.  
I can't even believe it!"

(Stephanie)

"I check this site weekly. I urge you viewers to post your opinion, we all have a right to one or two, to say the least. I know many are afraid – Iron County is under scrutiny these days. The point is, if we all help together and make it known what we think the ball would start to roll. I un-tucked my tail and know that I have a right to voice my opinion."

(B.B. Guest, Arcania)

"I just wonder why you put a man in prison for something he didn't do.  
I feel like the state of Wisconsin needs to be inspected thoroughly."

(Wendy M.)

"It's just ungodly for what they can do to the innocent.  
I know the man's not guilty of any of this scam."

(Karl M.)

"I can't believe none of this has been resolved. What can be done?"

(Sue)

"What the hell is wrong with people in this day and age? How can one person hate someone so much as to want to destroy their life? I will certainly be putting the likes of Ms. Vargovich on the site. If you people truly want to make a difference then it's time to stand together and make some noise."

(Chunky Monkey)

"I met a juror on the Don Miller case ... the man's last name is Kalla ... he told me the jurors convicted him because the defense offered no other alternatives to what happened. He basically said there was no proof that Don did the crime. What ever happened to 'beyond a reasonable doubt?' If they weren't POSITIVE Don Miller was guilty, he should have been acquitted."

(James A.)

"How these people keep on getting elected is beyond me."

(Nick)

"Hang in there, sooner or later they will find out that they ran out of excuses and tricks and give up."

(Robert C.)

"I really hope that Don gets free and that people who have allowed this to happen get a huge dose of justice. LIVE BY THE SWORD, DIE BY THE SWORD. If there is a way for people to help (legal fund or publish personals in newspapers) let me know: dayzrwild92@verizon.net."

(Jerry)

"Let him out already ... he shouldn't even be in there."

(Rebecca S.)

"Stay strong. I am thoroughly disgusted that this has happened and almost ashamed to admit I am from a place that could allow this to occur."

(B.B. Guest)

"Damn sure glad I didn't live in that town."

(Tony L.)

"When this story unfolds completely, Hollywood will be knocking at Don's door for the rights to his story."

(Mandy)

"Let him come home to his family already."

(Randy M.)

"This is a horrible injustice. I'm sure you have heard that one enough times. If there is any way I can help, let me know."

(Nick)

"I know that Kathy Rock was best friends with Connie for years ... why has Kathy not been mentioned in these? She has information, how could she not? I know they shared a lot ... so as far as Paul [an Iron County Sheriff's Deputy] and Kathy, well I just don't think you can trust anyone in this case that is with the system at this time."

(Dee)

"They think they can do us any way they want and it's O.K. I would rather see a two year old in office as I would the ones in there now."

(B.B. post by cjswife)

"We will continue to read your site and support you."

(Wisconsin Supporters)

"I am completely appalled by this perversion of justice. This woman obviously has mental issues ... I really hope something is done soon to get your father out of prison. He does not belong there. I hope that soon, justice for your father will come through."

(B.B. post)

"What I like is all the documents that are being published. There is some pretty damning papers being posted. I will admit that it doesn't look good for the courts ... you need to get angry. You need to get a voice and make it heard. Hurley doesn't want this type of publicity ... let's make some noise ... let's see what the power of numbers can do ... the ball is in your court. And to you Don, hang in there brother."

(Administrator for  
loserplanet.com)

"Best wishes to you, your story is a very sad one I pray someday can be resolved."

(Schadrie)

"It's VERY sad people in power have no common sense."

(William C.)

"One of the main things I have noticed about people is that only a few act out of principle; most act out of some form of self-interest ... These are bureaucrats ... if they can get through a day with no hassles then they feel like life is good – no matter how smelly their kitty box of an office is. But, if you can make it to where the best thing they can do is clear you out so that they can get back to their normal mess, they will make the effort to cut you loose. My impression is that you are just one major move away from relief ... Hang in there, brother Don – your moment of satisfaction is not a matter of if."

(Don H.)

"Only you can make a change in Hurley.  
Out with the corrupt and in with the honest!!"

(Pamela)

"Wow, this is terrible."

(B.B. Guest)

"I have read everything pertaining to this case ... and I think it sickening that your father is sitting in prison. I believe 100% that he is an innocent man. Hopefully with enough attention from not only your community but others as well, something can and will be done about this situation. Something has to be done about this injustice. My thoughts and prayers are with you."

(Heather)

"My heart just aches for you all the time. I just wish I lived closer to Hurley because trust me I would be out in full force. Now is the time to go after these corrupt politicians."

(P.C.)

"This site is fantastic. I cried all the way through it.  
I wish you all the luck in the world. Keep fighting for real justice."

(Bev)

"It really makes me angry and sad that our justice system is crooked ... It all boils down to corruption, lies, scandals and everything else they think that can get away with. Who gives them the right to play GOD and determine the fate of an innocent man when all the evidence clearly proves him innocent? I used to live in Iron County 19-years ago, and they were just as crooked then as they are now ... If Hurley is anything like it used to be, if you don't KNOW somebody ... or if you are not paying them what they want, sleeping with someone, or being some kind of informant, you might as well kiss the rest of your life goodbye, because in their eyes, you will be guilty even though you are innocent ... How can we feel safe when our cops are just as crooked as most criminals?"

(B.B. post by Kim)

"I have been following this story from day one. I would like you to know that I offer my support to you and your family. We are all praying for your dad to be cleared of these false charges."

(Tammy F.)

"WOW! I came across this website by accident  
and am horrified with this story of injustice ... good luck!"

(Mary)

"If you want to talk about a perfect story with a theme of 'perverse justice' that should be investigated, then folks this is the story that should be investigated. Truly, truly disturbing! I am not a lawman or attorney or even a witness to any of the events, but I do know the reputation of this small town in Northern Wisconsin. This case needs to be re-examined and made public ... it bothers me that this could happen in a society where it's not supposed to happen!!!! This is an outrage!!!! If you are as outraged as I am, then I encourage you to bombard the websites of all the news outlets and insist that they check out this story. I also encourage you to pass along the website to all your friends and families ... keep in mind that this could be your father or brother sitting in a cell dealing with this on a daily basis."

(Administrator at loserplanet.com)

"Some newspaper reporter or television reporter will break this case wide open and I hope the local paper is the one to do it. I suspect that maybe someone is being paid off to keep this story quiet, but Don Miller's story will be told ... and his cell will be occupied by corrupt city officials."

(Pam C.)

"I spent two hours going over your website this morning. I cannot believe your father has been imprisoned. My God, I have heard Iron County is corrupt, but this is an outrage ... I plan to spread your link to all my friends on my mailing list in hopes of spreading the word of this corruption. I also intend to bring it to the attention of my friends in the law enforcement community ... please tell your dad he has yet another supporter."

(Debbie H.)

- The following e-mail was sent to DA Lipske by his friend, Bruce J.:

"Hi Marty, I've read and re-read everything on this website several times now ... and it has me wondering. Before reading it I had no idea who Don was, but I knew Connie ... and you. Or I thought I knew you. Now I really don't know."

"You know people, they will tell you, I didn't do it, I didn't commit the crime. But I saw something in the way your father explained the whole situation that made me believe he is telling the truth. And after reading through the blog as well, it only affirms my belief, and I have thought of writing your father, and I believe I will. He sounds like a great, hard working, honest guy that just got caught up with the wrong person. But we sometimes make decisions with our hearts and not our heads."

(Debbie H.)

"I wish people could find their courage to help, and never give up."

(Tracy M.)

"This is a mock of our wonderful justice system.  
The system should do the whole thing over.  
I hope your father makes it through his ordeal  
and finds a real good attorney."

(Bud)

"This is absolutely deplorable.  
The innocent are being put away while the real criminals are loose."

(Jim)

"From what I am reading, something is totally wrong with this case"

(Chad L.)

"I think this sentence was outrageous."

(Maria G.)

"It's a shame innocent people have to pay. Our government and its officials should be held accountable for their actions, yet they put themselves above the law for personal gain. It's a sad day in this USA when the legal officials abuse their entrusted power like this and get away with this miscarriage of justice."

(Saxon, WI supporter)

"I was at his trial and could NOT believe my ears when the verdict came in. Not only was I wondering about some of the people on the jury, but also about the judge himself. I know for a FACT this was during his severe drinking era and you could never convince me he didn't have something going on with Connie. I saw him numerous times in the nastiest bars Hurley has. I remember approaching him as he was checking out the various tattoos on a slimy stripper ... he then got into his vehicle and drunkenly drove away. There are so many questions Mr. Miller poses to the county and gets NO ANSWERS! They treat him like he is worthless and means NOTHING. But, wouldn't you if your career and nice fat paycheck was at stake??"

(Guest at loserplanet.com)

- The following e-mail was sent to DA Lipske (lipske.martin@mail.da.state.wi.us) by Jerry M. (strassert662@frontiernet.net):

"I would suggest you figure out a way to free Mr. Miller. This information is going to spread through the U.S. like wildfire and you will be the one faced with charges. I cannot wait until Hurley, Wisconsin hits the map for this. Profound how you can sleep at night while an innocent man is in jail. Connie, where is she sleeping these days? Corruption in the Iron County court system does not start here nor will it end here. I pray your world turns upside down as it has for the Miller family."

"Has anyone questioned [REDACTED]? I see all these things in here from Michelle and Nicole, but not from [REDACTED]. You know damned well she knows something, but you know, why rat out a friend who put an innocent man in jail? That's just how Connie and [REDACTED] mentality is, don't give a damn. But you know they both must of got something out of it. I knew [REDACTED] Connie, Nikki (Nicole) years ago, and even being her friend you just never knew what she was going to do, she could be your friend one minute and the next want to fight you. Connie is the same way. I commend the two who came out and told what they know against Connie – she needs to be put away. You also know that Connie and [REDACTED] read what is being written here. How can you live with yourself? [REDACTED] do the right thing and get rid of Connie as a friend and get this innocent man out of jail. GOOD LUCK DON!!!"

(B.B. post by Wonderer)

"Would just like to say I am still here fighting for Don's freedom and you are doing a wonderful job at keeping the case in the public's eye. Don is blessed to have such a supportive family."

(P.C.)

"Be strong and keep fighting! The world will never be rid of injustice unless GOOD people stick together and stand up for what's RIGHT!!!  
My thoughts and prayers are with you."

(Joyce)

"The one thing that Miss Connie Vargovich forgot is that people talk, and Ironwood and Hurley are SMALL towns. I know he is innocent."

(B.B. Guest)

"Being silent folks, isn't going to bring this situation to light, so speak your mind people."

(Blogger Dude)

"God be with you and your family. Don we are thinking about you."

(Brian D.)

"It's amazing how many corrupt officials and law enforcement people there are. It's a game attorneys play with people's lives. They don't care if you're guilty or not, they just want to win to further their career."

(William C.)

"Free Him!"

(Samantha)

"Officials in this case have become egotistic, self-appointed demigods that have sold their souls. The official powers know Don Miller is innocent, the cultic jackals know exactly what they are doing. From all the questions raised, do you see the dastardly jackals coming forth to defend themselves? How do these jackals sleep at night, knowing what they have done to an innocent man? What a tragedy that an innocent man, an asset to our society, a treasure to us all, is sacrificed so the jackals can climb their career ladders. Have we become desensitized ... is this the justice we want, or just business as usual with our approval?"

(Kathleen)

"Be glad to offer any thing that will help free this innocent man."

(Sam A., M.D.)

"I encourage you to free this man."

(Kim S.)

"I have a feeling that the [local newspaper] is a biased newspaper. I have written them many times and never get a response. It would make sense that they are afraid to print the truth with so much corruption. Maybe they are being bought?"

(Cpiggy)

"A thousand guilty men should walk free before one innocent man is imprisoned."

(Daniel C.)

"As a retired police officer, I am privy to knowledge of corruption in the justice system.  
I'll help any way I can to broadcast facts of wrongdoing by officials."

(W. Currier)

- The following statements were made by Connie's friend M.A. to investigator Hess and reveals an undisclosed pretrial relationship between Judge Madden and Connie:

CH: If you had to say how many times you saw Judge Madden with Connie Vargovich at the bar, how many times would you say?

MA: Hundreds ... I've seen them hugging in the bar ... I've seen him with his arms around her waist, and her arms around him, and kissing and smooching on him and having a drink.

CH: How many times you've seen them kissing ..

MA: Over twenty. Well over twenty.

CH: Were these little pecks, or ...

MA: Oh, no. These were 'making out' kisses.

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MA: I know what kind of person she is. I've seen her threaten other guys who had dated her and decided they had had enough of her ... "Oh, I'm going to get you, you're gonna pay for this, nobody leaves me!" That's the way she is. She gets her revenge on anyone she feels does her wrong.

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CH: So, if Judge Madden would sit on the stand and say he never kissed Connie, what would you say?

MA: That he's a bald faced liar. I've seen him do it.

CH: What's your opinion of the judge handling this case ...

MA: He should never have been the judge on this case. No way ... Never.

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CH: And you've seen her do this before?

MA: Oh, yes ... If you don't do what she thinks you should do, or she feels you hurt her in any way, she'll get you back.

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CH: You've seen the judge on multiple occasions kissing Connie in a bar.

MA: Yes.

CH: And these are not little pecks on the cheek?

MA: No.

CH: These are full blown kisses ...

MA: Yeah. Tongue and the whole bit.

CH: This is extended type kisses?

MA: This is 'making out' in a bar.

"WOW. This really is a bad thing."

(K.P.)

**"This whole thing is an outrage."**

(Tammy A.)