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Bernie Madoff, Jeffrey Epstein, Conrad Black and Michael Kagdis court cases evolve

One Palm Beach-related court case wrapped up last month when Lin Gosman, wife of former health-care magnate Abe Gosman, received time served (one month) and three years probation in her bankruptcy fraud, mortgage fraud and tax fraud case. Lin Gosman, 60, had pleaded guilty to the charges, which arose out of her husband's multi-million dollar bankruptcy.

Several high-profile court cases remain in the news for the upcoming season.

Jeffrey Epstein

Convicted sex offender Jeffrey Epstein was released from jail this summer and his secret deal with federal prosecutors was unsealed last month.

But Epstein, 56, is still fighting more than a dozen lawsuits - state and federal - from young women who say they were sexually abused when they were minors.

The lawsuits against the billionaire money manager all contain similar allegations: that a minor girl was taken to Epstein's mansion on El Brillo Way and led upstairs to a spa room by one of Epstein's assistants, where he would ask the girl to perform massages and/or various sex acts, for which he would pay her \$200 or more.

Among those suing Epstein: Jane Doe No. 3 and Jane Doe No. 5, who both say they fear Epstein and believe he should have gotten a harsher sentence. Both have filed federal lawsuits.

Another victim, known as Jane Doe No. 102 in a federal lawsuit, alleges she was 15 when Epstein made her quit her \$9 an hour job at The Mar-a-Lago Club to become what amounted to his sex slave. The lawsuit says Epstein traveled with her to many locations, requiring her to have sex with him and others.

Epstein is serving his one-year probation in his Palm Beach mansion on El Brillo Way and is registered as a lifelong sex offender. He does not wear a monitoring device.

He served 13 months of his 18-month sentence at the Palm Beach County Stockade for procuring a minor for prostitution and soliciting prostitution. Instead of walking out through the main door where prisoners are routinely released, Epstein was allowed to leave the jail through a sally port, thereby avoiding awaiting media cameras.

According to a nine-page federal non-prosecution agreement that was unsealed last month, Epstein could have been charged with multiple counts of five federal offenses involving sex acts with minors and faced a life sentence.

Instead, the government agreed not to prosecute him or his procurers on federal charges if he spent 18 months in the county jail on two state charges.

The agreement let Epstein and co-conspirators [REDACTED], [REDACTED], Lesley Groff and [REDACTED] off the hook for any past crimes.

While serving his sentence, Epstein was allowed out of jail on liberal work-release terms. He was able to go to his West Palm Beach office for 16 hours a day, six days a week since October 2008. He also was allowed to go to his Palm Beach home in the weeks leading up to his release.

Bernard Madoff

Although Bernard Madoff is serving a 150-year sentence for orchestrating the largest Ponzi scheme in history, the effects of his crimes and the trail of his associates are still being revealed.

Madoff, 71, is in federal prison after pleading guilty to multiple fraud charges.

Palm Beach resident Robert Jaffe has been charged with fraud by the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission for allegedly bringing more than \$1 billion into Madoff's Ponzi scheme.

Last month, the U.S. Attorney's Office in New York, which prosecuted the case, said the losses of Madoff's 2,336 victims exceeded \$13 billion.

Earlier this month, Irving Picard, the trustee appointed to liquidate the Madoff investment business, filed a lawsuit against Madoff's brother, Peter Madoff, and three other family members.

The lawsuit, filed in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Manhattan, names Bernard Madoff's sons Andrew and Mark, and Peter Madoff's daughter Shana. The four family members are alleged to have received \$141 million in the six months prior to Bernard Madoff's arrest in December.

In the suit, Picard is seeking nearly \$200 million to be returned to Bernard Madoff's victims.

In July, Picard sued Bernard Madoff's wife, Ruth, seeking \$45 million.

Picard also filed a lawsuit against philanthropists Jeffry and Barbara Picower in May. In the lawsuit, Picard accuses the Picowers of knowing about and benefiting from the fraud.

Bernard and Ruth Madoff have been forced to forfeit multiple homes, yachts, cars and other trappings of their lavish lifestyle to the government to help compensate the victims.

Conrad Black

The U.S. Supreme Court is set to hear oral arguments Dec. 8 in the case of media baron Conrad Black's appeal.

Black, 65, was convicted of looting the corporate parent of the Chicago Sun-Times and other newspapers.

Black, of Palm Beach, is asking the Supreme Court to throw out his July 2007 conviction for fraudulently skimming millions of dollars from the company. He was convicted in Chicago on three counts of mail fraud and one count of obstruction of justice.

The Supreme Court will hear oral arguments on whether his federal fraud conviction should be overturned, but the high court refused to grant him bail pending appeal. U.S. District Judge Amy J. St. Eve, who presided over his trial, also denied him bail.

The former Hollinger International Inc. executive is serving a 6 1/2-year sentence in the Coleman Correctional Institution in Central Florida.

The justices agreed to review a ruling by a U.S. appeals court in Chicago that upheld the conviction of Black and former Hollinger senior executives Peter Atkinson, John Boulton and Mark Kipnis.

A Canadian-born member of Britain's House of Lords, Black has been in prison since March 2008.

Michael Kagdis

Palm Beach party planner and promoter Michael Kagdis was charged in August with trafficking in the painkiller Oxycodone, sale and possession of cocaine, and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Kagdis, 40, is out on bond. A status check of the case is scheduled for Nov. 5 in Palm Beach County Circuit Court.

A party promoter and figure on the island's charity scene, Kagdis has worked as a bartender and hotel publicist. Last year, he started his own line of vodka, Palm Beach Proper.

Kagdis was arrested after Palm Beach Police searched his Midtown apartment in the wake of a drug sting involving a confidential informant.

Police said they found drugs during a search of his home, an apartment behind 335 Seabreeze Ave., and his Range Rover. The arrest was the result of a long-term narcotics investigation by the department's Special Investigation Unit.

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