



## JUDGES ARE BREAKING THE LAW AND HARMING INJURED VICTIMS



**A *Wall Street Journal* investigation found that more than 130 federal judges have broken the law by – often repeatedly - failing to disqualify themselves and instead, ruling in cases involving companies in which they or their family owned stock.**

**“The hundreds of recusal violations found by the Journal breach a bedrock principle of American jurisprudence: No one should be a judge of his or her own cause.”**

**In some cases, judges with these conflicts have decimated cases brought by victims of corporate wrongdoing.**

**James V. Grimaldi, Coulter Jones, Joe Palazzolo, “131 Federal Judges Broke the Law by Hearing Cases Where They Had a Financial Interest,” *Wall Street Journal*, September 28, 2021.**

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