# REPUBLICAN & CONSERVATIVE JUDGES WHO HURT ANDREW U. D. STRAW, DISABILITY RIGHTS LEADER & CRIME VICTIM

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I will describe judges and courts that hurt me and denied my disability and constitutional rights. See my <u>answers</u> to the <u>verified disciplinary</u> <u>complaint</u>. See my <u>35-page affidavit</u> on a lifetime of discrimination.

# 7<sup>th</sup> Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals (2019)

## 9 Republicans, 2 Democrats

Diane Wood is a conservative Clinton Democrat

David Hamilton is the only 7<sup>th</sup> Circuit Obama Democrat

Neither Democrat is strong on disability rights and they appear to agree with Hon. Richard Posner that only the outcomes matter, not law, and the prejudices of the judges are valued more than anything else. Winning is just a political vote. Opinions are excuses given for that vote.

Every decision that has emerged from this Court has been against me from **2014 through 2018**, when I was banned from my First Amendment *McDonald v. Smith*, 472 U.S. 479 (1985) use of that Court because I opposed perjury by the Indiana

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Attorney General's office. <a href="http://ca7.andrewstraw.com/">http://ca7.andrewstraw.com/</a> The 7th Circuit has also suggested that there is an absolute limit on the number of appeals a person may pursue at that Court no matter how justified the appeals. Straw v. Streamwood, et. al., 17-1867 (7th Circuit if my loss is extended to others.

### Western District of Wisconsin U.S. District Court

### 2 Democrats, 0 Republicans

Judge Peterson, appointed by Obama, refused to rule that there are First Amendment rights to protest on overpass sidewalks above highways. He also removed my law license reciprocally with no due process whatsoever and no hearing to justify it. Losing my license was apparently a matter of rule application with no chance given to oppose it. His Clerk of Court completely ignored my proffered documents supporting my point of view and then Judge Peterson simply lied and said I never submitted such documents. Judge Peterson agreed to rescind my license even when the 7th

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Circuit said such a request was frivolous. Ergo, the rescission was invalid and frivolous.

#### Northern District of Illinois U.S. District Court

#### 13 Democrats, 6 Republicans

I have filed several lawsuits in this district and managed to be so unlucky that I got a very conservative and erratic judge nearly 100 years old in Hon. Shadur and one of the few Republicans on the Court in Hon. Virginia Kendall. Shadur had a history of cantankerous abuse of sexual harassment plaintiffs and I am a sexual harassment plaintiffs' attorney. Conflict was bound to happen. Hon. Kendall would not give me standing to oppose sidewalks and curb cuts full of snow, effectively destroying the notion of ADA Title II tester standing that is developing in other circuits and that exists nationwide for race. E.g., Tandy v. Wichita, 380 F.3d 1277 (10th Cir. 2004). In fact, the FHWA provided me a letter of findings stating that I have the right to oppose exactly what I opposed, but the 7th Circuit rejected this. The 7th Circuit upheld the bold assault on tester standing and this district

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judge is now responsible for what happens when millions of disabled people in 3 states are unable to get local governments to remove the obstacles from their public sidewalks. **Death** and injury will result.

Despite the many Democrats, none of them appear to care one jot about **disability rights** and they actively oppose me when I assert those rights. I opposed discrimination in law school admissions (LSAC 2014 and 2018) and the ABA is in Chicago, so this was meeting a *national need*. I opposed violations of my health and disability privacy by a newspaper and its attorney, and I got a totally unhinged tongue lashing from Hon. Shadur who had engaged in a cascade of errors, as Hon. Posner found in other cases of his. The executive committee (anonymous to me to this day) ordered me not to make any other filings for one year. Shadur's old law firm represented the newspaper and its lawyer on appeal to the 7th Circuit and nobody found this obvious conflict to be even remarkable, and it was allowed. Straw v. Kloecker, et. al., 14-1714 (7th Cir. 2014)

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This district is joined at the hip to the 7<sup>th</sup> Circuit and the judges are closely connected regardless of their political affiliation.

Democrats in the Midwest are hard to distinguish from Republicans and they act the same way in violation of civil rights. This is why you have former U.S. Senator Donnelly acting like a Republican and registering Republicans to vote in Hamilton County, Indiana, in 2018, where my brother was running for sheriff as a Democrat.

#### Northern District of Indiana U.S. District Court

# 8 Republicans, 1 Democrat

This district acted just like its composition, hostile to disability rights, including the right to an injunction against a state court violating the right to parenting time for a disabled father. Rutherford v. Zalas, 2:14-cv-369 (N.D. Ind. 2015). My position was in fact adopted by another district court in New York 3 years earlier while this Court called my position frivolous. There is no sense to the word frivolous in such a situation but as a political tool used against those the

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judge despises for political reasons. It is not fair for a court to act that way, but it is understandable that a politicallyappointed individual will use that power to stop rivals from The case that should have prevented the advancing. appellation of frivolous was Sinisgallo v. Town of Islip Housing Authority, 2:12-cv-01733 (E.D.N.Y. 2012) (**Dkt. 17**). Another judge in this district could not believe the story of my disabilities and my work for the Indiana Supreme Court and its retaliation using its ADA coordinator. Straw v. Sconiers, 3:14-cv-1772 (N.D. Ind. 2015). I was insulted and my claims found to be frivolous again even when 2 years later the Virginia State Bar called the Indiana actions using its ADA coordinator "a drive-by shooting" and suggested that my 4 Midwest lawsuits were not "totally frivolous." In the Matter of Straw, 17-000-108746 (VSB Disc. Bd. 6/20/2017) (**Dismissal** ORDER). I was right yet again.

In a rare occurrence, South Bend settled with me over multiple ADA Title II violations when I introduced into evidence the **FHWA letter** that the 7<sup>th</sup> Circuit refused to adopt

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the very next year. The **one** Democratic judge in the district was presiding. *Straw v. City of South Bend*, <u>3:16-CV-342-JD</u> (N.D. Ind. 2017).

This district is one where I asked my law license to be rescinded and the chief judge denied my request, then gave me in forma pauperis (IFP) status for the appeal, where the 7th Circuit said I have no First Amendment right to demand not to associate with a court. Straw v. U.S. District Court, 18-2192 (7th Cir. 2018). It does not matter that the Northern District of Illinois and the Western District of Wisconsin agreed with me and gave me what I asked by rescinding. The 7th Circuit called it frivolous as it always seems to do. The law I invoke does not matter. The 7th Circuit is in the business of picking winners regardless of law. It will even invent new law just to oppose someone the judges don't like, and couple that new law with obstreperous statements. My demands are frivolous or meritless even if **ordained by God himself**. That's because of the politics. Conservative Democrats and

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Republicans are against me and the Midwest is full of such people in positions of power like federal judges.

#### Southern District of Indiana U.S. District Court

#### 3 Democrats, 2 Republicans

Again, this was a district where Democrat and Republican smear together with a conservative unction regardless of who the appointing president was. I attempted to defend my law license for this district with no success whatsoever. My trial judge (Chief Judge Magnus-Stinson) against the Indiana Supreme Court was involved in hiring the Indiana hearing officer to a 7th Circuit judge position during my appeal, and both this judge and the 7th Circuit violated due process in an extreme and unusual manner of which I have never even heard before it happened to me. Straw v. Indiana Supreme Court, et. al., 1:16-cv-3483-SEB (S.D. Ind. 2/16/2017); Straw v. U.S. District Court, et. al., 1:18-cv-278-CMH (E.D. Va.) (Dkts. 7 & 20). I had no hearing, but again lost my license to an indefinite suspension depending wholly on what the Indiana Supreme Court does arbitrarily, capriciously, and in

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bad faith. I am up to 1,083 days of suspension on a 180-day suspension. In Re Straw, 68 N.E.3d 1070 (Ind. 2/14/2017). This Court, like all others in the Midwest, did not take into account the mitigating fact of the Disciplinary Commission offering me a medical and non-punitive alternative: "disability status." In other words, Virginia is saying this Court and the other 3 U.S. District Courts that reciprocally suspended me engaged in the same "drive-by shooting" that Indiana did to me and with **no hearing**, even worse than the in-absentia hearing Indiana conducted. The judges of this district misrepresent the facts, invent weird new theories of res judicata for me to lose, and are completely outside any reasonable notion of law *every time*. They allowed perjury to be used in my cases by my opponents and blamed me when the Court did not do service that the Court promised me. A court to be avoided. That is how I describe this district in particular, which is extremely hostile to disability rights and me personally. Its district presides over cases against the Indiana Supreme Court. This district and all districts in the

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7<sup>th</sup> Circuit should be abolished by Congress along with the 7<sup>th</sup> Circuit itself, which should be merged with another circuit or circuits. Throw in abolishing the certiorari system and democracy will flood into the judicial branch.

#### CONCLUSION ON MIDWEST

The 7<sup>th</sup> Circuit area is dominated by Republicans and conservative Democrats who tend to oppose everything that is important to me. Disability rights, constitutional rights, and common decency. They think such things are without merit and frivolous and the evidence of this is their actions toward me. I am not strong enough to subject myself with my very serious disabilities from crime to oppose all of these judges. <a href="http://crime.andrewstraw.com">http://crime.andrewstraw.com</a> All I can do is turn my back on them and work in a better area of the nation.

# Fourth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals

# 8 Democrats, 6 Republicans

I reported both what happened in the Midwest and what the Virginia State Bar said and the 4<sup>th</sup> Circuit never instigated any disciplinary proceeding against me.

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### Eleventh Circuit

### 7 Republicans, 5 Democrats

When the 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit chief judge realized that I was attacked in a similarly Republican circuit (7<sup>th</sup> Circuit and Indiana Supreme Court), it would not consider what the Virginia State Bar said in exonerating me and it would not consider the fact that the 4<sup>th</sup> Circuit did not discipline me reciprocally. The 11<sup>th</sup> Circuit would not give me a license and this cut off my ability to represent my family in the Camp LeJeune poisoning case. *Straw v. United States*, 16-17573-GG (11<sup>th</sup> Cir. 5/22/2019).

### U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit

# 7 Democrats, 4 Republicans

My experience of this court is that it is too busy to read briefs and denies law that has been U.S. Supreme Court precedent for decades, like the First Amendment right to petition government and other so-called *Bivens* suits. The Bill of Rights is extremely weak here and the Court makes legal arguments not supported by appropriate citations to authority. It props up the elitist system of *certiorari* and

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would not give me due process protections in that area. Not sure what the problem is here, but the attitude is similar to the 7<sup>th</sup> Circuit, where *plebes* are not welcome to challenge the system or help decide how the judicial branch works by implementing the Constitution in a *different* and *better* way. There is a jealous possessiveness about the structures of the U.S. Courts that is very undemocratic.

# Indiana Supreme Court

## 5 Republicans, 0 Democrats

The worst disability discrimination machine in court form I have experienced in the United States.

# Virginia State Bar

VSB rejected the Indiana discipline 100% with an unconflicted 3-judge panel that suggested what Indiana thinks is frivolous is not "totally frivolous." NO DISCIPLINE decided by this 3-judge panel by the **clear and convincing** standard. This is the bar of Thomas Jefferson and James Madison and I am proud to be a member.