

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE
NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND
FOR ORANGE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CASE NO.: 08-CA-24573

ZENAIDA GONZALEZ,

Plaintiff/Counter Defendant,

vs.

CASEY ANTHONY,

Defendant/Counter Plaintiff.

MOTION TO COMPEL

COMES NOW the Plaintiff, ZENAIDA GONZALEZ, by and through the undersigned attorneys, and pursuant to Rule 1.380, Florida Rules of Civil Procedure files this Motion to Compel and would show unto the Court the following:

1. George Anthony's deposition was taken on April 9, 2009 in the above-styled cause of action.

2. During the deposition, George Anthony refused to answer the following questions, attached hereto as Exhibit "A":

Q: Were there incidences in the year leading up to the disappearance where your daughter had taken money, to your knowledge, that didn't belong to her?

A: Not going to answer that.

MR. CONWAY: That's irrelevant. There are criminal charges pending against her. It's going to affect the ability of her to get a fair trial, so we're not going to answer that question in this forum.

BY MR. MITNIK:

Q: Okay, sir. Just so we're clear, so you can think about the wisdom of taking that position, the relevance here is that if she's having to take money from others, then how in the world does she have money to pay for a baby-sitter once a week or every week? And it is highly relevant to this case. So I'm going to ask it one more time and see if you want to answer the question so we don't have to come back on another day, because I know you'd probably rather not, on a motion to compel.

Was your daughter taking money that did not belong to her from others, to your knowledge, in the year leading up to this?

A: I'm not answering that.

Q: You refuse to answer it?

A: Take it any way you want to take it. Refuse it. I'm not answering it. It's no concern about this lady here sitting down here. It's no concern.

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Q: The investigator, Dominic Casey, did he work for you or the family at any time?

MR. CONWAY: You can answer that.

A: He's worked for us, I believe, since about November of 2008.

Q: And "us" would be who?

A: The Anthony family, Cindy and I.

Q: And would that mean you-all were paying his bill?

MR. CONWAY: That's privileged. It's work product.

MR. MITNIK: Work product why?

MR. CONWAY: It's attorney-client.

MR. MITNIK: Work product in what litigation?

MR. CONWAY: He's working for the Anthonys in regard to the criminal investigation as well as the disappearance of their granddaughter.

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Q: Did you, with the investigator that was working for you and your wife –

MR. CONWAY: Listen to the question. All right?

Q: -- did you -- Dominic Casey -- did you give him any leads as to where to go look?

A: No.

Q: How about your wife, to your knowledge?

A: No.

Q: Where did -- to your knowledge, where did he get the lead?

A: Just like on TV that I saw, supposedly from a psychic.

MR. CONWAY: George. Not going to answer the question. It's privileged.

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Q: Okay. And what reports did you get back as to their efforts to find Zanny?

A: You're going to have to ask the sheriff's department about that.

Q: No, your investigators. What reports did you get back?

MR. CONWAY: That's privileged information. It's privileged information.

MR. MORGAN: Why is it privileged?

MR. CONWAY: Because he hired them. They worked for him. Everything that was given to them is work product.

MR. MORGAN: That doesn't work.

MR. CONWAY: And it had everything to do with the fact they were being investigated by the sheriff's office. There were obstruction of justice charges thrown around.

MR. MORGAN: You're taking the privilege based on no pending lawsuit?

MR. CONWAY: I'm taking the privilege based on pending criminal charges at the time.

MR. MORGAN: Against the Anthonys?

MR. CONWAY: Yes, sir.

MR. MORGAN: George and Cindy?

MR. CONWAY: According to the sheriff's office, they were being investigated and could be charged with obstruction charges.

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MR. CONWAY: At this point, no, absolutely not.

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MR. MITNIK: Okay. I just don't want to hear about taking up people's time when we're back here.

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Q: Okay. And you at that point in time attempted to go into the trunk of her car; is that right?

A: I'm not going to answer that.

Q: And she blocked you from getting into the car?

A: I'm not going to answer that.

Q: Okay. On what grounds?

A: That's part of a criminal investigation that has nothing to do with the civil matter here.

Q: So any questions that I would ask you about that incident you won't tell us about?

MR. CONWAY: It's our position that this is videotaped. There will immediately be copies given out to the media. All of this affects the criminal investigation that's ongoing as well as her right to a fair trial.

So anything that has to do with Zenaida Gonzalez and the defamation suit he wants to answer on point correctly and accurately as possible, but whatever has to do with the criminal investigation and nothing to do with Zenaida Gonzalez, he's not going to answer those questions. We'll certify them and answer them under different circumstances, if the judge orders that.

MR. MITNIK: So if I ask did she basically run to the car and get in it and slam it down before you could get into the trunk, he's not going to answer any of those questions?

MR. CONWAY: He's not going to answer those questions here today on videotape.

MR. DILL: Let me just say that what he's referring to has already been part of the public record. That is – hold on, Brad, hold on.

This is the interview that has already been part of the public record that everybody has access to, and he's asking about that. So whatever privilege you're talking about, whatever Fifth Amendment right, it's not impacted by this at all, Sixth Amendment right. So this is something that he can answer that is reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery

of admissible evidence. In a civil case, that's all we have to have.

MR. CONWAY: What I'm talking about is the videotape that you intend to release immediately at the end of this deposition, and my position is that the videotape is intended to harass, annoy and put them in a position -- this is going to go on Nancy Grace with Mr. Morgan, and we're not going to answer those questions.

I mean, if you've got it, you've got it. He's given his answers under oath to law enforcement, and I don't think it's relevant to your civil suit.

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Q: Why did you tell the police officers that you felt that your daughter had not been working for the last two years?

A: I'm not going to answer it any further, sir.

Q: Why?

A: I'm not going to answer it. That's part of a criminal investigation, nothing to do with civil.

Q: Was there an incident where the ladder was missing -- was not up -- was -- I'm sorry -- was up on the outside pool that you have, the out-of-ground pool that you have and you --

THE WITNESS: Brad, I'm not answering. I'm going to have to get up and go, Brad.

MR. CONWAY: Just wait a second. Just let him ask the question.

Q: -- and you and your wife had a discussion about that subject, and you had concern in your mind that potentially your daughter had been in there with your granddaughter and something could have happened?

A: I'm not answering that.

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Q: So you will not answer about concerns that potentially some harm could have come to your granddaughter in that pool with your daughter?

A: Nope, not here today, I'm not, no.

MR. MORGAN: We have two minutes of tape.

Q: Did you tell the detectives that maybe something happened, you know, I hate to think about that, but it was just because you don't talk to one special little person in your life when you didn't hear that little voice for weeks upon a time? Did you say that?

MR. CONWAY: Mr. Mitnik, you know, these questions go right into this man's heart, and they have nothing to do with Zenaida Gonzalez. I mean, have some compassion. I mean, let's clear your client, but have some compassion for this guy. You're bringing up things that are horrendous thoughts for anybody, and you're needling it into him, and it's not necessary, sir.

MR. MITNIK: Just for the record, the continuous interrupting with my deposition I'm going to take to the judge -

MR. CONWAY: I understand.

MR. MITNIK: -- on your behavior, so beware.

MR. CONWAY: I understand.

MR. MITNIK: We have very strict rules on what comments should be made in a deposition and what objections should be made. The rules have tightened down from the old speaking objections and lecturing and all that, and let's -

MR. MORGAN: Let's change the tape.

MR. CONWAY: I'm just asking you to have some compassion for this family.

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So you've got five more minutes of my time. Otherwise I'm walking out of here, sir, in five minutes. So make your next question or two be relevant. If not, I'm leaving. I'm done.

THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, Brad.

MR. CONWAY: It's okay.

THE WITNESS: I'm done with it.

MR. CONWAY: It's okay. It's all right. Let's listen to the questions.

THE WITNESS: He's got five minutes.

MR. MORGAN: I think that --

MR. MITNIK: Okay. Let us do it this way. We've got a lot of stuff, and what we're going to do is we've got questions not answered. We're going to suspend this and take it with the judge so we can have some parameters on it so that we can -- because what I need to have laid out, there needs to be some understanding that this is -- certainly appreciate the painful nature of this. I hate having to ask you the questions. You can laugh about it, sir, but I am a deeply kind --

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MR. MITNIK: Okay. I want to -- we talked about a subject before. I want to be clear -- I think I was. I want to make sure I'm clear. Any questions that I ask about Dominic Casey when he went out to the woods and what he was told and what he told you- all and all that you're taking the privilege on; am I right?

MR. CONWAY: Yes, sir.

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Q: And as your private investigator, what information was he relaying to you on a daily basis, if any, about his search about his findings?

MR. CONWAY: That's privileged. It's information specifically related to the investigation, so privileged.

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3. These questions are proper discovery deposition questions and no privilege applies.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff respectfully requests that this Court enter an Order compelling George Anthony to answer these questions and request the Court to grant attorney's fees and costs incurred in bringing this Motion and any further relief that this Court deems appropriate.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true copy of the foregoing has been furnished by mail this 23rd day of April, 2009 to Jonathan Kasen, Esq., 633 S.E. 3rd Avenue, Suite #203, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33301 and to Bradley A. Conway, Esq., 390 N. Orange Avenue, Suite 1630, Orlando, FL 32801.



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1 A I just said no. I've said it five times to
2 you. No, I have not.

3 MR. CONWAY: He answered the question already.
4 George, just go ahead and answer it again. Have you
5 ever --

6 A I have not seen this Zanny who is the
7 baby-sitter of my granddaughter. I have never met her.

8 Q In your life?

9 A No.

10 Q Did you ever ask -- during the year leading up
11 to this, when your granddaughter was being left with some
12 other person you'd never met, did you ever ask can I meet
13 her?

14 A I did not.

15 Q Were there incidences in the year leading up
16 to the disappearance where your daughter had taken money,
17 to your knowledge, that didn't belong to her?

18 A Not going to answer that.

19 MR. CONWAY: That's irrelevant. There are
20 criminal charges pending against her. It's going to
21 affect the ability of her to get a fair trial, so
22 we're not going to answer that question in this
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24 BY MR. MITNIK:

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2 relevance here is that if she's having to take money from
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12 A I'm not answering that.

13 Q You refuse to answer it?

14 A Take it any way you want to take it. Refuse
15 it. I'm not answering it. It's no concern about this
16 lady here sitting down here. It's no concern.

17 Q Did your daughter appear to be short on funds
18 in the year leading up to the disappearance?

19 MR. CONWAY: If you know.

20 A I have no knowledge of that, no knowledge.

21 Q Did you ever have any discussions with her
22 about -- with your daughter about her need for money or
23 her finances during that year?

24 A Never discussed it with her.

25 Q Did you ever discuss with her why she would

1 Sawgrass Apartments?

2 A I didn't know anything about Sawgrass
3 Apartments until this 15th of July 2008.

4 Q You'd never heard of it before, before then?

5 A I just said I didn't.

6 Q And how did you first hear about Sawgrass
7 Apartments?

8 A When the investigation itself started from my
9 missing granddaughter.

10 Q And who did you hear it from?

11 MR. CONWAY: George, you need some water?

12 THE WITNESS: I'm fine.

13 Q Who did you hear it from?

14 A If I'm not mistaken, sir, you'll have to ask
15 the sheriff's department. That's their ongoing
16 investigation.

17 Q Did you hear it from your daughter Casey?

18 A I heard it from the sheriff's department.

19 Q Did you ever have a conversation with your
20 daughter relating to Sawgrass Apartments at all?

21 A No.

22 Q So she never relayed to you any story about
23 dropping Caylee off at Sawgrass Apartments with Zanny?

24 A No.

25 Q The investigator, Dominic Casey, did he work

1 for you or the family at any time?

2 MR. CONWAY: You can answer that.

3 A He's worked for us, I believe, since about
4 November of 2008.

5 Q And "us" would be who?

6 A The Anthony family, Cindy and I.

7 Q And would that mean you-all were paying his
8 bill?

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10 product.

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15 regard to the criminal investigation as well as the
16 disappearance of their granddaughter.

17 BY MR. MITNIK:

18 Q All right. Did you -- your wife, as I
19 understand, indicated to investigators when they came to
20 serve a search warrant at the house, indicated to
21 investigators --

22 MR. CONWAY: Listen to the question.

23 Q -- that she had sent someone out to the woods
24 ultimately where the body was found to look back in --
25 back in November.

1 and go home.

2 A No, sir. The whole thing is this whole thing
3 could be handled within five minutes. Don't have to go
4 on for no two, three, four hours or the whole day, take
5 up my time and his time and my wife's time. This could
6 be done in no time, sir.

7 Q I'm done with my explanation. I tried. I'm
8 going to go back to my business.

9 A Well, I hope I can sit here a little bit
10 longer for your business.

11 Q Did you, with the investigator that was
12 working for you and your wife --

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14 right?

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16 him any leads as to where to go look?

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23 psychic.

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25 question. It's privileged.

1 department, private investigators and the FBI. Let them
2 do their job.

3 Q So you -- would it be your testimony that you
4 asked the private investigator to go find Zanny?

5 A The sheriff's department, the FBI and a
6 private investigator have the resources to go and find
7 this baby-sitter.

8 Q That wasn't my question. Did you tell the
9 investigators that you hired to go find her?

10 MR. CONWAY: Just answer it "yes" or "no,"
11 George.

12 A Yes.

13 Q And what information did you give them in an
14 effort to try and locate her?

15 A Just a name that I had. That was it.

16 Q Nothing more?

17 A Nothing more.

18 Q Okay. And what reports did you get back as to
19 their efforts to find Zanny?

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21 department about that.

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2 about taking up people's time when we're back here.

3 BY MR. MITNIK:

4 Q Did you get any leads on Zanny during this
5 time that your granddaughter was missing?

6 A I'm sure the sheriff's department, the FBI and
7 the private investigators did.

8 Q Did you hear of any leads?

9 A No, sir, I did not.

10 Q Were you screaming bloody murder this woman,
11 Zanny's, got my granddaughter, by gosh, why aren't we
12 chasing her or anything like that?

13 A Again, sir, you're going to have to ask the
14 sheriff's department, the FBI and the private
15 investigators.

16 MR. MITNIK: Read my question back.

17 (The record was read back as requested.)

18 MR. CONWAY: Just answer it "yes" or "no."

19 A No.

20 Q Would -- in the time period leading up to the
21 disappearance, would Caylee spend the night at Zanny's?

22 A Possibly.

23 Q To your knowledge, did she?

24 A Possibly. I don't know. That's possible.

25 Q I mean, to your knowledge, did she? Do you

1 how this is going to play out in as nice a way as we
2 can.

3 BY MR. MITNIK:

4 Q Okay. Your daughter, during the time that
5 your granddaughter was missing, came into the house while
6 you were there; is that right?

7 A On one occasion, yes, I can think of.

8 Q Okay. And you at that point in time attempted
9 to go into the trunk of her car; is that right?

10 A I'm not going to answer that.

11 Q And she blocked you from getting into the car?

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5 those questions.

6 I mean, if you've got it, you've got it. He's
7 given his answers under oath to law enforcement, and
8 I don't think it's relevant to your civil suit.

9 MR. DILL: It's not under oath.

10 MR. MITNIK: Let's stop arguing. Look, we're
11 trying to do it once. It's not going to happen.
12 Let's just let him take the position.

13 MR. DILL: All right.

14 MR. MORGAN: But it wasn't under oath, Brad.
15 That's the difference.

16 MR. MITNIK: Some of this was. The fact of
17 the matter is we all know something under oath in a
18 statement somewhere else isn't the same as getting
19 it into a civil -- civil case under oath. It's
20 apples and oranges. It's not the same. I can't
21 walk into court and use a statement in another case.
22 You take it through a deposition. You bring it into
23 this case. We all know it.

24 You're taking -- you're taking your client
25 down an erroneous path, but I can't stop you. If

1 that?

2 A No, sir. This whole thing has to do with Ms.
3 Gonzalez down there sitting down there.

4 MR. CONWAY: I believe your question was
5 whether --

6 Q why did you tell --

7 MR. CONWAY: -- whether she told him.

8 Q why did you tell the police officers that you
9 felt that your daughter had not been working for the last
10 two years?

11 A I'm not going to answer it any further, sir.

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20 going to have to get up and go, Brad.

21 MR. CONWAY: Just wait a second. Just let him
22 ask the question.

23 Q -- and you and your wife had a discussion
24 about that subject, and you had concern in your mind that
25 potentially your daughter had been in there with your

1 granddaughter and something could have happened?

2 A I'm not answering that.

3 MR. CONWAY: It's conversation between the
4 husband and wife, Mr. Mitnik.

5 MR. MITNIK: Well, any -- it's waived when
6 it's given to a third party. We'll just take it to
7 the judge.

8 BY MR. MITNIK:

9 Q So you will not answer about concerns that
10 potentially some harm could have come to your
11 granddaughter in that pool with your daughter?

12 A Nope, not here today, I'm not, no.

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15 compassion for this family.

16 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is 11:20. We'll
17 go off record.

18 (A 4-minute recess was had.)

19 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time is 11:24 a.m.
20 We're back on record.

21 BY MR. MITNIK:

22 Q What do you know about your daughter changing
23 the story of Zenaida Gonzalez being dropped off at
24 Sawgrass to being kidnapped at Blanchard Park?

25 A I have no knowledge about that.

1 Q Me too, sir.

2 A Because you know something?

3 Q I wouldn't wish it on anyone.

4 A But do you know something? If you did and you
5 needed some help, I'd be there to help you. You know
6 why? Because I care. I care. That's more than I can
7 say about what's going on right now.

8 So you've got five more minutes of my time.
9 otherwise, I'm walking out of here, sir, in five minutes.
10 So make your next question or two be relevant. If not,
11 I'm leaving. I'm done.

12 THE WITNESS: I'm sorry, Brad.

13 MR. CONWAY: It's okay.

14 THE WITNESS: I'm done with it.

15 MR. CONWAY: It's okay. It's all right.

16 Let's listen to the questions.

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2 you the questions. You can laugh about it, sir, but
3 I am a deeply kind --

4 THE WITNESS: I am laughing about --

5 MR. MITNIK: I understand. But the fact is
6 you don't know me, and I'm a kind-hearted person. I
7 hate asking these questions, but I also have an
8 obligation, a deep obligation to this lady here.
9 And it doesn't simply end with you saying she wasn't
10 the person. I appreciate you saying that very much.
11 If you shake her hand and say I'm sorry, that will
12 touch my heart, but it doesn't change the fact that
13 I have more work to be done in this case for things
14 that your daughter did, not you or your wife. Your
15 daughter did. And it creates a very difficult, hard
16 job to do what I have to do for her because of some
17 bad things that happened to her daughter.

18 So I need some parameters from the Court, so
19 that -- and I honestly think you genuinely don't
20 understand the limits of what our jobs are here, and
21 I think if we have some parameters from the Court,
22 we can come back with a clear understanding and we
23 can tant this down a little bit, let me do my job
24 that is an unpleasant one. I'd rather be doing many
25 other things today than talking to you in this

1 MR. MITNIK: Okay. I want to -- we talked
2 about a subject before. I want to be clear -- I
3 think I was. I want to make sure I'm clear. Any
4 questions that I ask about Dominic Casey when he
5 went out to the woods and what he was told and what
6 he told you-all and all that you're taking the
7 privilege on; am I right?

8 MR. CONWAY: Yes, sir.

9 BY MR. MITNIK:

10 Q From reading your statement with the -- that
11 we referred to earlier with the sheriff's office, Mark
12 Hussy, I saw something in there about that there had been
13 some disputes over -- and this isn't the exact words,
14 these are my words -- of Caylee being somewhat attached
15 to you and your wife and that that may have caused some
16 level of friction or some disputes with Casey in the
17 past; is that fair?

18 A I don't ever think that there was a dispute
19 between Casey and myself or with Cindy about our
20 affection for our granddaughter. I don't believe there
21 ever was that at all. I think that was that something
22 possibly could have been drummed up or someone said
23 something about it. No.

24 Q Okay.

25 A I mean, my gosh. My granddaughter lived with

1 know that Mr. Casey ever went searching was the woods
2 where your granddaughter's body was ultimately found?

3 A That's the only one that I know of, yes.

4 Q And as your private investigator, what
5 information was he relaying to you on a daily basis, if
6 any, about his search about his findings?

7 MR. CONWAY: That's privileged. It's
8 information specifically related to the
9 investigation, so privileged.

10 Q Was he giving you information -- was he
11 reporting to you on a daily basis?

12 A No, sir, no. I didn't have daily contact with
13 him, no.

14 Q In the whole time that Mr. Casey was working
15 for you, did he ever report to you about his search for
16 Zenaida Gonzalez?

17 A Not specifically, no, not on a daily basis or
18 anything like that. I think every once in a great while
19 we would probably talk about maybe --

20 MR. CONWAY: George, just answer it "yes" or
21 "no," and --

22 A No, not --

23 MR. CONWAY: -- if they want to follow up,
24 they can follow up.

25 A Not really, no.