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Clackamas DA may have misled judge

1 PORTLAND — The Oregon State Bar has accused the newly elected district attorney in Clackamas County of purposely misleading a circuit court judge.

The allegations have been added to an existing case filed by the bar against Terry Gustafson, who is scheduled to take office in January.

Gustafson has adamantly denied the allegations. "She didn't do any of this, any of it," said her attorney, Bruce Shepley.

The bar filed its initial complaint against Gustafson in December, alleging violations of the bar's code of responsibility. That filing came six months before she was elected district attorney.

Gustafson prosecuted a 1992 case in which a teen-age boy and his parents were accused of sexually molesting the boy's two younger sisters. The boy was acquitted after a two-month trial. The case against the parents was dismissed for lack of evidence.

The bar complaint says Gustafson allegedly threatened to bring an ethics complaint and possibly file criminal charges against Lawrence Matasar, the boy's attorney, on the basis of information Gustafson said she had about Matasar.



CIA denies allegations of drug introduction

2 LOS ANGELES — In a scene in "The Godfather," a group of Mafia bosses gathers around a conference table in the 1940s and divides up the narcotics trade, a line of business even the mob finds distasteful.

"In my city, we would keep the traffic in the dark people, the coloreds," says one don. "They're animals anyway, so let them lose their souls."

That, say residents of mostly black and Hispanic South Central Los Angeles, is the mindset exposed by a recent series of articles in the *San Jose Mercury News*.

The newspaper reported that Nicaraguan drug dealers introduced crack into blighted South Central in the 1980s and used the proceeds to finance their country's CIA-backed guerilla war.

CIA Director John Deutch has rejected the allegations but

promised an investigation. The Justice Department and House Intelligence Committee are also investigating.

"The general consensus is 'Oh, they're just now finding out? Get real,'" says Tonya Turner, 52, manager of the New Wilmington Arms, a housing project. "How many blacks from here got on planes and went to Colombia? It was coming in by the truckload. No one here has the money or the planes or the boats to bring this stuff in."

Earthquake hits Italy; two reported killed

3 MILAN, Italy — A moderate earthquake shook northern Italy from the Mediterranean to the Alps on Tuesday, damaging buildings, driving people from their homes and causing dozens of minor injuries.

Two elderly people living near the epicenter died of heart attacks during the quake, the ANSA news agency reported.

The 4.8-magnitude quake was centered 90 miles south of Milan, and shook buildings in Milan's downtown business district.

Regional authorities said about 100 people were treated for minor injuries over a wide area. Four were hospitalized with fractures.

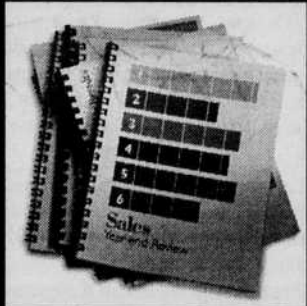
Many were injured while fleeing their houses or offices in panic, police said. Several people in the northern town of Carpi were taken to the hospital in shock.

Fifty families were evacuated from their houses in one of the hardest-hit towns, Bagnolo in Pivano, a northern town 45 miles west of Milan. Forty patients were transferred from a damaged part of the hospital in northern Correggio.

Elsewhere, the quake caused scattered minor damage, knocking plaster off of buildings, breaking shop windows and briefly knocking out phones and power. The Tower of Pisa was not damaged.

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