



Defiance News has produced a podcast series focusing on the conservatorship of Britney Spears in particular while also examining the California conservatorship system in general.

PART III of the series: TOXIC, begins by looking at how Britney's rights have been violated all these years. It then delves deeper and wider to look at the dysfunction of the system itself – using several specific cases to show how people's lives are damaged and how their rights are seriously violated.

Thomas F. Coleman, legal director of Spectrum Institute, appeared as a guest in Part III as did Lisa MacCarley, an attorney who has been practicing law in the probate courts of Southern California for decades. Some of the cases cited as examples in this episode – Michael Parisio, Brad Lund, Theresa Jankowski, and David Rector – Coleman knew firsthand as someone who had provided advocacy and consulting services.

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Review

I just listened to the podcast in which you explain in a very interesting way how California's dysfunctional probate conservatorship system really works

Wow!!! You did a terrific job. You made a complicated system easier to understand.

The episode was especially interesting because of the variety of case examples you used.

You pulled back the curtain on the **Judicial Wizard of Oz** to demystify the court process. Judges are controlling attorneys. Attorneys are milking the cases. Victims are powerless to escape.

Thanks for doing this. What a great educational service to society. I am grateful that you gave me the opportunity to participate in this *Defiance News* podcast.

Tom Coleman
Spectrum Institute (<https://spectruminstitute.org/>)

Response

No, I must thank you Tom. I had spent a lot of time talking to a lot of people and it wasn't until our conversation that it became clearer in my mind. It was your words I used in this episode to bring clarity to a confusing subject.

But not only this, it is the years of hard work that you have dedicated to the cause and the research you have done that will be what makes the difference.

All I am doing is amplifying your voice a little and hoping that this - combined with the great work of many other experts, professionals and volunteers - will all aid the cause of trying to reform a system that isn't working.

Thanks again for really being the glue that enabled so much of this to fit together so neatly.

Tom Pattinson
Podcast Host (<https://www.defiance.news/>)