



Wrongful Death Attorney in Clara Harris Murder Seek Previously Unrevealed Financial Records

In the wrongful death trial that concluded last week in Harris County, Texas, convicted murderer Clara Harris was ordered to pay \$3.75 million to the parents of David Harris for their pain and suffering. Attorney Joe Stephens is now seeking previously unrevealed financial records in an effort to obtain some or all of the judgment.

Houston, TX ([PRWEB](#)) January 25, 2007 -- [Houston injury lawyer](#) Joe Stephens who won the \$3.75 million judgment last Friday in the [wrongful death](#) of David Harris (Harris County, Texas District Court No. 2004-34761), the sensational murder in which wife Clara Harris was convicted of running over her husband in her Mercedes after finding him with his mistress, are seeking previously unrevealed financial records in an effort to collect on the judgment.

Clara Harris is currently serving a 20-year sentence after she was convicted of murder in February, 2003. The Harrises filed the [wrongful death](#) lawsuit against their daughter-in-law for mental anguish, loss of companionship and loss of financial support. After a week of testimony and 10 hours of deliberation, the jury awarded the Harrises \$2,000,000 for mental anguish, \$1,000,000 for loss of companionship and \$750,000 for loss of financial support.

"We are very pleased with the verdict. But, the question remains whether my clients will see a dime of the judgment," says trial lawyer Joe Stephens. "While Clara Harris serves time for her husband's murder, his elderly parents, Gerald and Mildred Harris, are raising their children. We want to ask about assets that Clara Harris has set aside. David and Clara were wealthy orthodontists who owned multiple dental practices at the time of his death. The probate court split up the estate, but records show that Clara Harris is still listed as owner of several of the practices. Records also show that the administrator of the estate and Clara Harris still file reports related to these practices which raises questions whether the murderess still receives revenues from the practices."

Attorneys expect to ask Judge David Bernal to enter orders requiring Clara Harris to answer questions under oath about her financial affairs and the assets she retained after her husband's death. Also, Stephens and Howell will ask the Judge to order the estate administrator to explain his continued involvement in the dental practices, and what he knows about Clara Harris' ongoing interest. In addition, Ms. Harris is known to have owned vacation homes in Colorado, a lakehome in Texas and expensive jewelry.

"We hope the judge will find these assets need to be turned over to the Harris family to satisfy the hefty judgment she owes," says Stephens.

About [The Stephens Law Firm](#)

Joe Stephens is a prominent trial lawyer in the Houston area with 22 years of trial experience. He is a double-board certified attorney. Few lawyers in the country have attained this level of certification. He is board certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization in Personal Injury Trial Law. Fewer than 1% of lawyers in Texas have earned that title. In addition, he is a Civil Trial Advocate, as recognized by the National Board of Trial Advocacy. Stephens has been recognized by the Association of Trial Lawyers of America as the F. Scott Baldwin Most Outstanding Young Trial Lawyer in America Award in 1999. He is a member of the Million Dollar Advocates Forum, the most prestigious group of trial lawyers in the United States. He also has attained recognition as a "Warrior" in the Trial Lawyer's College, an intensive training program sponsored by the hands-



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