

Rudy Giuliani sued by ex-wife Judith: Pay me \$260K or go to prison

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The pair were married for 15 years before Judith filed for divorce in 2018. Monica Schipper

Hold on to your hair dye.

Rudy Giuliani, already suffering under a mountain of legal issues, can add another to the heap.

He's being sued by his ex-wife who wants him to cough up more than a quarter of a million dollars, or go to prison.

In new court papers filed Tuesday in the Supreme Court of the State of New York, Judith Giuliani claims that the former mayor and one-time personal attorney to Donald Trump is in contempt of court for

allegedly withholding \$262,000 he should have paid her under the terms of their divorce settlement for things like their Palm Beach, Fla., house, housekeeper and private club fees.

In a sworn affidavit, Judith accuses Rudy of owing her \$140,000 for their South Lake Drive, Palm Beach, property alone. The lux condo was listed on the market in 2019 for \$3.3 million. It didn't sell, but Judith claims in the documents that Rudy "is required to pay me \$200,000 regardless of whether or not the property has been sold" per the divorce agreement, and she claims that he's

only given her \$60,000.

She also says they are responsible for their own dues at a country club, and accuses Rudy of allegedly failing to “pay his half of the annual club membership dues.” She claims that in the meantime, she’s been forced to bail him out to the tune of \$70,000. “I had no choice but to pay his share of the dues ... in order to remain in good standing with the clubs,” she says in court papers. And she wants the money back.

He’s also supposed to pay up to \$5,000 a month for her to have help, such as an assistant or housekeeper. But she claims in the docs that since last summer, Rudy “has made inconsistent and sporadic payments to me, including a \$10,000 check in June 2021 that was returned due to insufficient funds.” She says in the papers that he now owes \$45,000 in back pay for the help.

Despite his recent troubles, Judith is confident Rudy has the funds to fork over the \$262,000.

“He owns multiple properties in New York City and Palm Beach [and it seems] he has significant earnings from his media-related contracts and deals.”

According to the filing, she is demanding he pay up “immediately” with interest.

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And Judith’s lawyers say that he’s in contempt of court for allegedly skipping out on the payment, and they say he should be behind bars if he doesn’t get his act together.

“Your failure to appear in court may result in immediate arrest or imprisonment for contempt of court,” the papers say.

Judith’s attorney Dror Bikel tells us that — after a grueling divorce battle — the terms of the settlement were hashed out informally between the former spouses before they went in front of a judge to finalize them.

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Judith filed for divorce in April 2018 after 15 years of marriage. The pair had a contentious battle, sparring over their combined estimated \$30 million fortune.

Her lawyer at the time accused Rudy of working for free as Trump’s lawyer to lower his income and thereby decrease her then-\$42,000 monthly alimony payments.

But it wasn’t just big bucks on the table. Things got personal.

Judith accused Rudy of swiping her extensive collection of heirloom Christmas decorations and he accused her of taking his TV remote controls and cable box so he couldn’t watch himself on TV.

They settled in December 2019. Details of the agreement were not made public at the time. Judith did get the couple’s former Hamptons home, which she recently sold for \$5 million.

Giuliani was also sued by Miller Gaffney Art Advisory, the art appraisal firm that he hired for his divorce battle with Judith. They claimed in court papers in 2020 that he stiffed them out of at least \$15,000.

Giuliani’s career and reputation seem to

have been in something of a free fall over the past couple of years.

His law license has been suspended in both New York and the District of Columbia, he faces ethics charges over false election claims from the DC bar, and Dominion Voting Systems — which provided voting machines for the 2020 election, which he claims was rigged — has sued him for \$1.3 billion.

He has also been accused of being drunk on election night, which he denies, and he is set to testify in Atlanta next month in a special grand jury investigating Trump and allies’ alleged interference in the Georgia vote.

Last year, federal agents raided his home and office as part of an investigation into whether he asked Ukraine officials to help unearth information on Hunter Biden.

He also recently claimed he was attacked by a ShopRite worker during a gubernatorial campaign rally for his son, Andrew. But the video showed that the alleged assault was more like a pat on the back. Mayor Eric Adams called him a “Karen” and called for the DA to consider prosecuting him for allegedly filing a false police report.

Meanwhile, according to her lawyer,

“Judith is doing great.”

“She has been in a relationship for three years. She is happy. Everything is going really well in her life,” Bikel says. ■