



Attorney files motion for dismissal of charges in Amber Spradlin murder case

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PRESTONSBURG, Ky. (WMDJ) – Attorneys for three suspects accused in the 2023 murder of Amber Spradlin are asking a judge to dismiss the case.

Attorney Randy Martin O’Neal filed the motion in Floyd Circuit Court on Monday, claiming authorities did not follow proper procedures in obtaining the indictment.

O’Neal also claims the indictment was not returned in open court as required and the secrecy of the grand jury proceedings were violated when Spradlin’s cousin, Debbie Hall, wrote on social media that she had known the case would be presented to the grand jury two weeks prior.

O’Neal also noted in his motion that Hall and one media outlet were already in place for the arrests of Dr. Michael McKinney and Josh Mullins, prior to the indictment being executed.

Attorneys are also asking for a bond reduction for M.K. McKinney, accused of the murder and tampering with physical evidence, to \$1 million and that Mullins be allowed to post 10 percent of a \$5,000 cash bond.

Attorneys say the bond reduction request falls in line with other defendants facing similar charges.

Judge Eddy Coleman will rule on the request once prosecutors respond to the motions. No court date has been set.