

State board recommends KS prosecutor be disbarred

TOPEKA, Kan. (AP) — A state board unanimously recommended Friday that the Kansas Supreme Court disbar a prosecutor who's accused of misleading juries in two separate cases, actions that caused them to be overturned by higher courts.

The Topeka Capital Journal reports the Kansas Board for Discipline of Attorneys argued that Jackie Spradling embraced a “win at all costs” attitude in two cases: a 2012 double homicide case and a 2016 rape and sodomy case.

Spradling is accused of falsely leading a jury to believe that Dana Chandler in Shawnee County had violated a protection order obtained by her ex-husband, who was killed along with his fiance. No abuse order was ever found to have existed.

Similar accusations were made against Spradling in the case of Jacob Ewing, a Jackson County man convicted in the rape and sodomy case.

In both cases, appeals courts tossed out the convictions.

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