

Jack Randall Secures \$1.8 Million Verdict in Defamation Lawsuit

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-- What would you do if someone close to you spread devastating lies about you—threatening your reputation, career, and personal life? That's exactly what happened to a Virginia Beach resident when his former fiancée

falsely accused him of [rape](#), setting off a legal battle that put everything on the line. In the end, justice prevailed with a \$1.85 million verdict in his favor.



Randall & Bruch Family Law in Virginia Beach

The Engagement That Led to Legal Turmoil

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The legal dispute stemmed from a relationship that began in August 2021 through an online dating service. The couple became engaged later that year, and in early 2022, the Virginia Beach man moved in with his fiancée at her Smithfield residence. However, as their relationship progressed, he grew suspicious of her behavior and conducted a background check, uncovering discrepancies in her financial records.

In May 2022, tensions escalated when the lawyer confronted his fiancée about what he had discovered. This

led to a confrontation when he attempted to collect his belongings, including an engagement ring, a watch collection, and various antiques. The situation turned physical, with claims that the fiancée struck him and damaged his phone.

Shortly after their breakup, the fiancée went to a magistrate and filed four felony warrants against the man, accusing him of rape and sexual battery. The accusations had significant

personal and professional consequences for the individual, affecting his reputation and career.

How [Randall & Bruch, PC](#) Built a Strong Defense for the Defamation Lawsuit

Unsure where to turn, he sought the help of [Jack Randall](#) from Randall & Bruch, PC—a lawyer he had trusted before and who had successfully represented him in the past.

Randall began by meticulously preparing the case number CL22000840-00, consulting an economic loss expert, and interviewing law enforcement officials involved in the initial investigation. "You have to really get to know your case and get passionate about it," Randall explained. "You project that passion to the jury, and that's what resonates with them."

Despite being unable to interview the accuser directly due to legal constraints, Randall focused on building a compelling narrative through thorough witness interviews and evidence gathering. His dedication to understanding the case from his client's perspective and presenting it authentically to the jury proved pivotal.

Restoring Reputation and Securing Justice

The trial, which took just eight months from filing to verdict, culminated in a swift and decisive victory. The jury returned a verdict in just one hour, awarding the client \$1.85 million in damages—\$1.5 million in actual damages and \$350,000 in punitive damages. The judge later adjusted the punitive damages to align with state law.

"If you're just going through the motions, your verdict's going to be much diminished," Randall noted. "But when you invest in the case and make the jury care, justice can prevail."

This case highlights Jack Randall's unwavering commitment to his clients and ability to turn passion into results. His strategic approach and dedication to justice cleared his client's name and sent a powerful message about the consequences of false accusations.

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