

Catherine Robb and Laura Prather in Law360: Houston TV Station's Defamation Win Upheld On Appeal

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A Texas appeals court on Thursday nixed, for the second time, attempts by a former charter school superintendent to bring a defamation suit against a Houston television station over a news broadcast that allegedly implied she embezzled \$3 million...

On appeal, Robinson argued that the appellate court didn't have the authority to hear KTRK's interlocutory appeal after the trial court denied its motion to dismiss. The First Court wrote in its opinion on Thursday that it already rejected that argument from Robinson in 2013 and nothing has changed since then...

Under Texas law, to qualify as defamation per se a statement must “unambiguously charge a crime, dishonesty, fraud, rascality or general depravity,” the appeals court said...

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