

## New York Lawyer Andrea Coleman Sentenced to Padded Room



*Summary: An attorney was given an unusual order by a Brooklyn judge.*

One lawyer annoyed her neighbors so much that a judge ordered her into a padded room. But not the kind that most people would think of.

According to The New York Post, divorce lawyer Andrea J. Coleman was so loud in her ritzy condo that she was given a court order to tone it down. When her loud music and shrieking continued, a Brooklyn judge gave her an unconventional new punishment--a demand to soundproof her pad.

Coleman allegedly terrorized her neighbors with loud classical music and yelling things like "Obama is a murderer!" as well as "Rape!" She was fined \$31,000 for disobeying the original court order to keep quiet, but her persistence noise led to Justice Edgar Wright's unusual solution.

The attorney's condo board member, Dennis Sughrue, told the New York Post that the order is "very unusual — but it's a testament to just how crazy she is." Sughrue is also an attorney.

Justice Wright said that Coleman's hefty fine would be lifted if she allowed the condo board's acoustical engineer to soundproof her fifth-floor unit. If she does not accept this deal, the building is allowed to do it anyway "by forcible entry."

Coleman, 59, purchased her one-bedroom condo in 2010 for \$765,000, which has since risen in value for over a million. About two years ago, her "chronic screaming" started to bother her neighbors.

"The screaming and yelling begins as early as 6:30 a.m. and recurs throughout the day and often as late as midnight," her next-door neighbor, Craig Spolsky, said. "[Her] voice can be clearly heard from inside my apartment. She uses words like 'murder,' 'rape,' 'killing' and 'killing myself,' and has apparently even mentioned my name in the same breath as these threatening words."

Spolsky and other neighbors have called the cops on Coleman multiple times, but they did not take action because she did not appear to be actually harmful. Spolsky said that if the divorce attorney refuses to stop yelling, then it will be impossible to co-exist with her.

"There have been times when I have actually fallen off of my chair after being abruptly startled by defendant's yelling," Spolsky said.

Coleman told the court in January of this year that her neighbors were provoking her rants and that they wanted to push her out of the building because she is in foreclosure.

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