

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA :
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v. : 15 Cr. 317 (KMW)
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DEAN SKELOS and :
ADAM SKELOS, :
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Defendants. :
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Recorded Telephone Calls

ADAM SKELOS Cellphone

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Session Number: 1396
Participants: ADAM SKELOS
BJORNULF WHITE

1 [Start: 04:40]

2 A. SKELOS: Anyway, so on the, on the business
3 side of news, I saw Ed Mangano with my dad this last
4 weekend at a, at a wake. And by the way, I don't know if
5 you've ever experienced this. Do you find that wakes or
6 funerals people tend to get a lot of business done?

7 WHITE: Uh... I've heard that. I haven't
8 encountered it myself just because I haven't been to very
9 many. But I have heard that.

10 A. SKELOS: This last like couple weeks I've been
11 to like a ridiculous amount of funerals just because those
12 two cops that died. Then there was a fire fighter that
13 died. And the governor's father, Mario, passed away, so
14 his funeral's tomorrow. So I'm going there --

15 WHITE: Yeah.

16 A. SKELOS: -- before I'm going up to Albany.
17 But there's a lot, like, you know, five in the last 2
18 months. It's like crazy.

19 WHITE: Wow.

20 A. SKELOS: But, anyway, so I see him at the wake
21 and we start talking about everything. Now, I don't know
22 if you've see it, but I sent you an article where the paper
23 was saying that Nassau had approved the largest P3 project
24 for a takeover of the sewage system, the, the Bay Park
25 sewer plant. And 3,000 --

1 WHITE: Oh, I --

2 A. SKELOS: Did you see that?

3 WHITE: I, I saw that you sent it and then I
4 couldn't even bring myself to read it 'cause I was thinking
5 like first they approve 12 million for another storm water
6 project; now they're approving a P3 but just not for us.
7 I'm like, like are they just --

8 A. SKELOS: Wait.

9 WHITE: -- just messing with my head?

10 A. SKELOS: I know. You and I still
11 (indiscernible)

12 WHITE: Like has Ed Mangano like appointed one of
13 my ex-girlfriends to fuck with me? Like he's like --
14 what's going on here?

15 A. SKELOS: Yeah. Dude, my head literally
16 exploded. And it was at like 12:00 at night, and I started
17 calling my dad furiously. He's like, what's wrong? What's
18 wrong? I'm like, fucking P3 Nassau County.

19 So it turns out that the P3 -- it's not a -- it's
20 what the papers called it, but it's not a true P3 because
21 it's really only a service operating contract. It's not
22 like a design, it's not a build, it's not a fund.

23 Basically this company United Water's coming in and
24 they're taking over the existing structure and they're
25 taking some of the employees that are from the county off

1 of the county payroll and putting them onto theirs and
2 they're using their own employees.

3 So the only thing the county is relieving the
4 burden of is the operation of the plant and the payroll and
5 union contracts that go with it, which is a real big
6 problem.

7 So, in like the whole nuts and bolts of everything, they're
8 only saving \$12 million. Side note, there's that number
9 again, 12 million.

10 WHITE: I was just going to say, are you joking?
11 They're saving 12 million? Are you --

12 A. SKELOS: That's it. It's 12 -- 12, 12, 12.
13 That --

14 WHITE: Oh, my God.

15 A. SKELOS: That fucking number 12.

16 So that being said, Ed said it's not going to
17 affect anything that is -- you know, that we're doing with
18 storm water. He said, in fact, what they're going to do is
19 apply for the funding for the -- our \$12 million project,
20 which is already approved. They're starting to apply for
21 that through the, through the surplus money, which -- like
22 so that project will get covered first.

23 He said, but furthermore, when you get the P3s
24 approved, he goes, the county wants to -- we're all going
25 to push to have every outfall storm water pipe done in

1 Nassau County. So whatever it was, like that 2,000 number.

2 WHITE: Yeah.

3 A. SKELOS: I said, Ed -- I said, Ed, that's
4 going to be like a \$2 billion project. He said, right. He
5 goes, well, if we can come up with like 5 or 10 percent of
6 the money and you can get the rest funded privately, he
7 said we'll do the entire thing and we'll approve that
8 right -- you know, the second P3s are approved. He said,
9 but whatever they wrote, you know, with the Bay Park, it's
10 not a real P3.

11 So they can't do P3s yet. Everyone's still
12 waiting on that approval, but Nassau County is going to be
13 like the model for what we're -- you know, basically what
14 we said we wanted to do prior to P3s --

15 WHITE: Right.

16 A. SKELOS: -- they want to be the model for us
17 for the rest of the state. So --

18 WHITE: Well, good, because we've been telling
19 them that they should be. So like it's our idea.

20 A. SKELOS: Yeah, well, he, he was like, I got an
21 idea.

22 WHITE: Really? Like, like, Ed, we even put it
23 in your talking points. Like you might not remember the
24 press conference but you already announced this idea.

25 A. SKELOS: Yeah, he pulled me aside. He's like

1 I want to tell you about this thing called public-private
2 partnership.

3 WHITE: Guys, I've been doing some research and
4 apparently stormwater is a big issue. Did you guys know
5 about that?

6 A. SKELOS: Yeah. Yeah, there's this thing with
7 water and pollution.

8 Ah, anyway. So that's, that's the conversation I
9 came away with Ed. But, first, before we even said any of
10 that, he said all the funding that has been approved is
11 going to be -- is signed and approved. So the second we
12 follow up with Tim Kelly or Shila Shah regarding the
13 400,000, that should flow through like today. We would
14 have --

15 WHITE: Okay.

16 A. SKELOS: We have to initiate it, so we
17 probably have (indiscernible)

18 WHITE: All right. I'm going to -- I'll do that
19 again, 'cause it was still quiet last week, but -- yeah,
20 let me try that again.

21 A. SKELOS: You know, I would even say, you know,
22 we spoke to Ed and we, we understand that the funding, at
23 least from his side, was approved for that; can you please
24 release the funds? You know, I don't think that would be
25 like a going over your head thing. Just, you know, just

1 want to mention --

2 WHITE: Right.

3 A. SKELOS: -- we've been given the okay; what's
4 the hold up, guys, kind of deal.

5 WHITE: Right. Okay. Yeah, let's do it. Sounds
6 good.

7 A. SKELOS: All right. Let's get some money.

8 [Stop: 10:39]

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