

Mount Vernon Resident Praises DA Rocah for Tackling Corruption

Charges Against Former City Employees Highlight Systemic Issues in Mount Vernon

Mount Vernon, New York Dec 25, 2024 ([IssueWire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - Matthew J. Fecteau, a Mount Vernon resident and advocate [pursuing federal legal action](#) against the city, has expressed gratitude to Westchester District Attorney Mimi Rocah's office for filing criminal charges against [two former municipal employees](#) accused of deed fraud and property theft.

"This is the best Christmas present yet," Fecteau declared. "The City of Mount Vernon faces deep systemic issues that must be addressed. These charges represent a crucial step toward accountability and justice."

Fecteau's own experience with alleged misconduct involves city officials who he claims falsified property records and ultimately forced him into homelessness. His federal lawsuit cites multiple constitutional violations, including unauthorized searches and seizures of his property.

The case highlights ongoing concerns about corruption within Mount Vernon's administration. According to court documents, the charged former employees allegedly engaged in a scheme to illegally seize properties through fraudulent documentation. Their actions have prompted calls for increased oversight and reform of city property management practices.

The charges brought by DA Rocah's office represent a significant development in addressing allegations of systemic corruption within Mount Vernon's government. The investigation has revealed patterns of misconduct that allegedly extended beyond isolated incidents, suggesting a broader need for institutional reform.

Legal experts following the case note that property deed fraud schemes often disproportionately affect vulnerable residents and can have devastating long-term consequences for victims. The prosecution of these cases sends a strong message about accountability in local government.

"I applaud DA Rocah's office for their commitment to justice," Fecteau stated. "These arrests underscore the urgent need for comprehensive reform to protect residents from corruption."

The defendants' upcoming court appearance on January 7, 2025, is expected to provide further details about the alleged scheme and its impact on Mount Vernon residents.

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