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Law Student Files Federal Civil Rights Lawsuit Over Fraudulent Eviction at Downtown Sacramento's WIP 800 J Lofts

Sacramento, CA — A Sacramento law student and mother has filed a federal civil rights lawsuit in the Eastern District of California, alleging she and her minor daughter were unlawfully locked out of their home at **WIP 800 J Lofts in downtown Sacramento** through fraudulent use of the courts and denial of due process.

Case No. 2:25-cv-02364-DJC-CKD (Weston v. [Landlord/Defendants]) is currently pending before U.S. District Judge Daniel J. Calabretta.

On **August 7, 2025**, **Asya Weston**, a law and computer science student, and her daughter, Corinne, were locked out of their WIP 800 J Lofts residence despite having a timely notice of appeal and stay motion on file with the Superior Court.

Weston says the eviction was carried out after a **10-minute hearing** in which the presiding judge refused to hear testimony or review evidence, while attorneys for the landlord allegedly submitted **false and misleading information** to the court.

"This isn't just about my family," Weston said. "Sacramento's courts are being used as tools of fraud in the housing crisis. Families are being pushed out without due process, and there are no safeguards against it. If this can happen to a law student who knows her rights, it can happen to anyone."

The lawsuit alleges:

- **Fraudulent use of unlawful detainer proceedings** in Sacramento courts.
- **Denial of due process rights** under the U.S. Constitution.
- **Unlawful lockout** in violation of California Civil Code.
- Ongoing harm to Weston's minor daughter, who suffers from asthma aggravated by displacement.
- Educational disruption to Weston, whose academic performance has dropped from A-level to B grades due to being forced to litigate while displaced.

Weston is representing herself and her daughter and has demanded a jury trial.

She is also calling for broader accountability:

- Oversight by the **Judicial Council of California** into clerk and court practices that enable fraudulent filings.
- **Legislative reforms** to prevent misuse of unlawful detainer courts.
- Action by **Sacramento city and county officials** to protect families from fraudulent evictions.

About Asya Weston

Weston is pursuing her LLB law degree through the University of London while also studying computer science at San Francisco State University. She is a Licensed Vocational Nurse and mother, now advocating for court integrity and housing justice in Sacramento.

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Sacramento Courts Are Failing Paying Tenants

By Asya Weston

On August 7, 2025, my 18-year-old daughter and I were locked out of our home at WIP 800 J Lofts in downtown Sacramento. We were not behind on rent. I had already filed a timely **Notice of Appeal** and a **motion for stay** in our unlawful detainer case. But in a ten-minute hearing, the judge refused to hear testimony or evidence, and attorneys for my landlord falsely painted me as “noncompliant.”

Within two days, the sheriff padlocked our door. We lost our home, our belongings, and our stability. My daughter, who suffers from asthma, has seen her health worsen since the lockout. I am a law student and computer science student, and my grades have dropped because I’ve been forced to fight an unlawful eviction instead of focusing on my education.

This is not just my story. This is a **public crisis**.

Sacramento courts are supposed to protect tenants' rights. Instead, they are being used as tools of fraud. Clerks fail to docket appeals on time. Judges deny hearings without considering evidence. Attorneys submit false narratives and conceal material facts. And when that happens, **even tenants who pay their rent** can be locked out without due process.

What happened to me is fraud on the court — and it exposes a larger problem: Sacramento's eviction system is broken. Families are losing homes not because they failed to pay, but because landlords and attorneys know how to game the courts.

The consequences ripple out into the community. Every fraudulent eviction means another family displaced, another child destabilized, another case of homelessness added to Sacramento's already severe crisis. Public trust in our courts erodes when judges and clerks allow fraud to dictate outcomes. If the courts will not protect paying tenants, what safety net exists for anyone?

This is why I have filed a **federal civil rights lawsuit** under 42 U.S.C. § 1983. My case alleges denial of due process, obstruction of court access, and fraudulent misuse of the unlawful detainer system. It is about more than my family — it is about exposing how Sacramento's courts are failing tenants and calling for systemic reform.

I am putting this case on record because I believe transparency is power. The public deserves to know that courtrooms are not immune from corruption or manipulation. When clerks delay docketing, when attorneys lie to judges, when judges issue orders without review, **we are all at risk**.

This is not just a housing issue — it's a rule-of-law issue. Fraud in the court system undermines democracy, erodes faith in justice, and endangers the public.

I am calling for:

- Oversight by the **Judicial Council of California** into Sacramento's eviction courts.
- **Legislative reforms** to prevent landlords and attorneys from exploiting unlawful detainer procedures.
- **Accountability from the Sacramento City Council and County Supervisors**, who cannot ignore that their own constituents are being unlawfully displaced.
- **Community solidarity** through tenant unions, housing justice organizations, and legal aid advocates.

As a law student, I know what due process is supposed to look like. As a mother, I know the harm when due process is denied. As a Sacramento resident, I know this is not just my fight — it's a fight for every tenant, every family, and every community member who believes the courts should serve justice, not fraud.

If this can happen to me — a student who knows the law — it can happen to anyone.
Sacramento must act now, before more families are illegally pushed out of their homes.

Asya Weston is a law and computer science student, Licensed Vocational Nurse, and Sacramento resident. She and her daughter are plaintiffs in a federal civil rights case against their landlord and others for unlawful eviction and denial of due process.

Public Comment Statement — Sacramento City Council / County Board

Speaker: Asya Weston

Subject: Fraudulent Evictions & Court Failures

Good Day, Councilmembers and Supervisors.

My name is **Asya Weston**. I am a law student, a computer science student, a Licensed Vocational Nurse, and most importantly, a mother.

On **August 7, 2025**, my 18-year-old daughter and I were **locked out of our home at WIP 800 J Lofts in downtown Sacramento**. We were not behind on rent. In fact, I had already filed a **Notice of Appeal** and a **motion for stay** with the Superior Court.

But in a **ten-minute hearing**, the judge refused to hear testimony or evidence. Attorneys for the landlord falsely painted me as “noncompliant” and withheld critical information about falsified rent ledgers. Within two days, the sheriff padlocked our door.

We lost our home, our belongings, and our stability. My daughter has asthma, and her condition has worsened since the lockout. My grades, as a student, have dropped because I have been forced to fight an unlawful eviction instead of focusing on my education.

This is not just my case — this is a **public crisis**. Sacramento’s courts are being used as **tools of fraud**. Clerks are failing to docket appeals on time. Judges are rubber-stamping evictions without reviewing evidence. Attorneys are lying in court without consequence. And the result is that **even paying tenants are being displaced**.

Every fraudulent eviction increases homelessness, destabilizes families, and erodes public trust in the justice system. If this can happen to me — a law student who knows my rights — it can happen to anyone in this city.

I am calling for:

- **Oversight** of Sacramento's eviction courts by the Judicial Council of California.
- **Legislative reforms** to close loopholes in the unlawful detainer process.
- **Local accountability** — City Council and the County Board must demand answers from the courts about why paying tenants are being locked out.

Fraudulent evictions are not just a tenant problem. They are a **community problem** and a **rule-of-law problem**. Sacramento deserves courts that protect justice, not enable fraud.

Thank you for your time.

Fraudulent Evictions & Court Failures in Sacramento

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Case Reference: Weston v. WIP 800 J Lofts, Case No. 2:25-cv-02364-DJC-CKD (U.S. District Court, Eastern District of California)

My Story

- On **August 7, 2025**, my 18-year-old daughter and I were **locked out of our home at WIP 800 J Lofts, downtown Sacramento**.
- We were **not behind on rent**. I had filed a **Notice of Appeal** and **motion for stay** two days earlier (August 5, 2025).
- In a **10-minute hearing**, the judge denied relief without testimony or evidence.

- Landlord attorneys falsely portrayed me as “noncompliant” and withheld evidence of **falsified rent ledgers** by property manager **Maher Rashid**.
 - The sheriff executed the lockout anyway.
 - My daughter’s **asthma worsened** from displacement. My **grades dropped** from A-level to B’s while I fought this unlawful eviction.
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The Larger Problem

- **Clerk Failures:** Appeals and motions are not docketed promptly, obstructing tenant rights.
 - **Judicial Shortcuts:** Hearings are rushed, evidence excluded, and stays denied without review.
 - **Attorney Misconduct:** False statements and concealment of evidence are being rewarded, not sanctioned.
 - **Impact on Paying Tenants:** Even those who pay rent on time face lockouts if fraud is allowed to shape court outcomes.
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Why This Matters

- **Public Trust:** Courts are being used as **tools of fraud** instead of protectors of justice.
 - **Housing Crisis Multiplier:** Every fraudulent eviction adds to Sacramento’s homelessness and instability.
 - **Rule of Law:** If courts cannot protect paying tenants, they cannot protect anyone.
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What I Am Asking

1. **Judicial Oversight** — The Judicial Council of California must investigate Sacramento Superior Court's unlawful detainer practices.
 2. **Legislative Reform** — Close loopholes that allow landlords to use fraudulent filings against tenants.
 3. **Local Accountability** — Sacramento City Council and County Supervisors must demand answers: *Why are paying tenants being locked out?*
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Closing

This is not just my case. It is a **systemic failure**. If this can happen to a law student and single mother, it can happen to anyone. Sacramento deserves courts that protect justice, not enable fraud.

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