

Use plain English, judge is told

BY PAT MURPHY
RAW WATERS

When the trial of Dr. Jack Kevorkian resumes in Oakland Circuit Court today, the jury was expected to get new instructions by order of the Michigan Court of Appeals.

The appeals court Wednesday ordered Judge Jessica R. Cooper to use plain English — rather than legal jargon — to tell jurors the prosecution's burden of proof is less stringent than the judge had initially indicated.

The ruling did not mention Kevorkian's book — which the judge had ruled inadmissible — or a request from the prosecutor for a new judge to hear the case.

In separate but related action Wednesday, the Birmingham-based Michigan Christian Coalition complained about what it described as Cooper's "blatant bias against the prosecution" in Kevorkian's ongoing assisted suicide trial.

"We are gravely concerned about Judge Cooper's bias against the prosecution," the organization's executive director, Glenn Clark, said in a press release.

The coalition, which claims 200,000 members in the state, asked the Michigan Judicial Tenure Commission to review Cooper's conduct. "Cooper refuses to

follow the law," Clark said. "It has been clear since the first day of the case that she has had an adversarial relationship with the prosecutor."

The review is important, Clark said in his release, because Cooper is considering dropping charges against Kevorkian in the death of Dr. Ali Khalili. If that happens, Kevorkian could not be tried again in Khalili's death because of the constitutional prohibition against "double jeopardy."

Neither prosecutors nor defense attorneys would comment late Wednesday on the court of appeals ruling or the allegations of the Christian Coalition.

The prosecution rested its case Tuesday, after which defense attorney Geoffrey N. Fieger moved to dismiss felony charges against his client stemming from the death of Khalili, 61, a Chicago area physician. Those charges should be dismissed, said Fieger, because the prosecution had not made a case that Kevorkian was involved in his death.

Assistant prosecutor John Skrzynski countered that Khalili had indicated his intent to end his life in a statement he signed. Kevorkian had signed the same document.

Cooper agreed to review the motion to dismiss and make a

ruling, possibly when the trial resumes today.

Kevorkian is charged with violating Michigan's law against assisted suicide in the deaths of Khalili and of Merian Frederick, 72, of Ann Arbor. As the highly publicized trial was winding down Tuesday, a psychiatrist from Duke University likened the assisted suicides of Frederick and Khalili to the decision by Jews and others to end their own lives rather than submit to the horrors

of concentration camps in Nazi Germany.

Bernard J. Carroll, professor of geriatric psychiatry at Duke University, characterized Frederick and Khalili as highly intelligent people suffering the ravages of incurable diseases. Both sought quick, painless and certain death with Kevorkian rather than continuing to endure "horrible and catastrophic" pain and suffering because of their incurable diseases, he said.

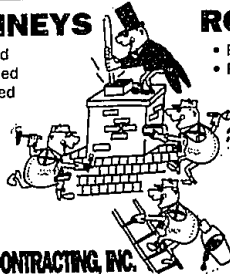


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High Level Consultation: Ruth Holmes, left, and Susan Oliver, handwriting examiners with Pentec, Inc., of Bloomfield Hills, consult with Dr. Jack Kevorkian. Holmes lives in Bloomfield Hills and Oliver resides in West Bloomfield.

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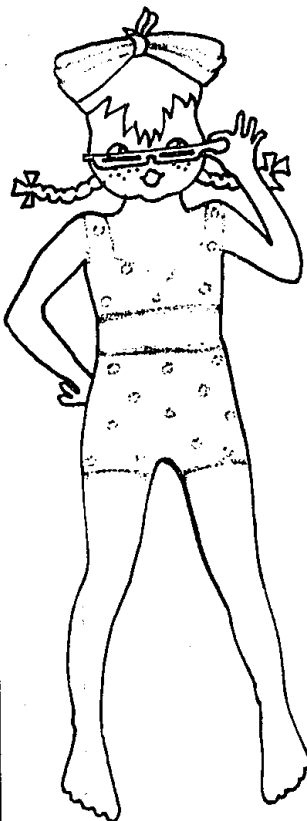
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