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Let me modify the title and substance a bit:

How does a Q&A dialogue unfold when an attorney catches a witness exhibiting "a loose screw"? Re: Stephen R. Jackson, Part 7

Here's one of many examples from usmnews.net's archives of how a Q&A unfolds when an attorney catches a witness lying, or being or acting just plain dumb, or exhibiting "a loose screw." The following testimony catches Stephen R. Jackson and his accomplice, Patty Munn.

The following is the actual sworn testimony of Stephen R. Jackson, then-untenured associate professor and interim director of the School of Accountancy, College of Business, University of Southern Mississippi, taken on July 7, 2008, in the case, *DePree v. University of Southern Mississippi.* (Q. is DePree's attorney's question directed to Jackson; A. is Jackson's response).

First consider that in a letter Jackson wrote at the end of August 2007 requesting then-Interim Dean Williams and then-President Martha Saunders to fire DePree, Jackson cited the following reason to fire DePree:

"While I've only been interim director for 21 days and on faculty spring summer of 2007, I completely support the faculty request for his [DePree's] dismissal."

Jackson came to that conclusion acting on rumors from self-professed gossipmongers like Patty Munn with, as he testified, no investigation whatsoever, and no need to investigate.

Patty Munn's deposition answer for how she knew what she was accusing DePree of:

- Q. You didn't see or observe any of them (behaviors you're accusing DePree of) yourself firsthand?
- A. No.

Jackson's primary source of information about accusations against DePree was Patty Munn. Here's Jackson's sworn testimony:

Q. Who did you hear that from?

A. I think I heard that from Patty Munn.

Again and again, when Jackson was asked his basis for believing accusations against DePree, Jackson testified,

A. I think that's the same source. I think Patty told me that, also.

Jackson based his judgment to fire DePree on the word of rumormonger, Patty Munn, who had no idea what she was talking about.

As reported in Part 3, no one is off limits for Jackson's miscreant behavior. One of DePree's students pulled him over on the Hwy 98, he was so excited he could not wait to talk to DePree the next day at school. The student told DePree what had just happened to him and a friend. Stephen Jackson had offered the student and his friend higher grades in DePree's class if they would say something that would discredit DePree. They refused.

Disgusting behavior, disgusting individuals. And they are quite capable of doing the same to you.