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## 09/26/2024 - Ft. Worth, TX Southlake Police Department cleared of allegation of planting evidence, father's live-in mistress implicated

Michelle Stanfill, the live-in mistress of Timothy Szal, has been implicated in a scandal involving her planting evidence to remove Timothy's son. She has since moved into his house on their property in Southlake, which she uses as her work-from-home office.

Timothy's son, Matthew Szal, had previously rented out the house under an agreement with Timothy a year earlier. Matthew went to California in the early summer of 2022, and they promptly kicked the tenants out, and both proceeded to block Matthew's number.

When Matthew returned in April of 2023, Michelle called the Southlake Police. They escorted her out of Matthew's house, where he received mail at 1342 & 3/4. Michelle was then desperate to find a legal way to remove Matthew so she could use the building as her home office like she had done while he was in California. The house was held in a family trust, so there was no other way to fake an incident that could create a protective order to keep him from the house. They also needed the charges to stick, so planting illegal drugs was a necessity.

Matthew also had information about a murder attempt while he was in Spain, in which Timothy and Michelle were both implicated. They convinced the neighbors and the police that Matthew had a mental illness, even though he never reported them to the police out of misplaced love for his father. Matthew's business partner, Vanessa Arevalo, has been missing since Matthew's trip to Europe with Timothy in April and May of 2022. Southlake Police Department has been cleared of all misconduct allegations, and several officers have reconciled with Matthew.