

BARBARA LAGOA AND CRIME

Highlights:

- Barbara Lagoa repeatedly overturned heinous convictions.
 - Lagoa authored an opinion that overturned the conviction of a child pornographer, Adonis Losado.
 - Losada was initially given over 100 years in prison for child pornography.
 - Lagoa argued that Losada should be given a retrial because he was not allowed to act as his own lawyer.
 - Losada was eventually sentenced to just over 50 years in prison.
 - Lagoa overturned a murder conviction because a stenographer accidentally lost the trial transcript.

Lagoa Repeatedly Reversed Convictions For Heinous Crimes

LAGOA AUTHORED AN OPINION THAT FOR OVERTURNED THE CONVICTION OF A CHILD PORNAGRAPHER

Lagoa Authored An Opinion That Overturned A Conviction Of A Child Pornographer, Adonis Losada, Because The Court Did Not Let Him Defend Himself. According to the Tampa Bay Times, “At the Florida Third District Court of Appeal, she wrote an opinion reversing the conviction of Adonis Losada, a former Univision comic actor sentenced to 153 years in prison for collecting child porn. Lagoa ruled that a Miami-Dade judge erred in not allowing Losada to defend himself at trial.” [Tampa Bay Times, [9/19/20](#)]

- **Losada Was Originally Sentenced To 153 Years In Prison.** According to the Tampa Bay Times, “Adonis Losada, a former Univision comic actor sentenced to 153 years in prison for collecting child porn. Lagoa ruled that a Miami-Dade judge erred in not allowing Losada to defend himself at trial.” [Tampa Bay Times, [9/19/20](#)]

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Lagoa Argued Losada Was Denied His Right To Defend Himself, Helping Grant Him A New Trial. According to the Daily Mail, “Lagoa agreed that Losada was denied his legal right to defend himself after the trial judge couldn't make sense of his replies and instead appointed a public defender. The warped comic spent ten years in prison in Palm Beach County for related offenses but was released in April ahead of a retrial in Miami.” [Daily Mail, [9/25/20](#)]

Losada Received A New Trial And Faced 57 Years In Prison Instead Of His Original Sentence Of 153 Years

Losada’s Conviction Was Overturned. According to the Miami Herald, “At his first trial in 2016, Losada took the stand and claimed someone else who lived in his Miami Beach apartment must have downloaded the porn. Jurors didn’t believe him — and he was ultimately sentenced to 153 years in prison. But in 2019, the Third District Court of Appeals overturned the conviction, saying the trial judge erred in not allowing Losada to represent himself.” [Miami Herald, [3/11/22](#)]

Losada Was Resentenced To Over 50 Years In Jail. According to the Miami Herald, “Losada, 57, who was a staple on the long-running Univision variety show, was convicted late Thursday of 51 counts of possessing child-porn images. On Friday, Miami-Dade Circuit Judge Teresa Pooler sentenced him to 57 years in prison.” [Miami Herald, [3/11/22](#)]

LAGOA ORDERED THE RETRIAL FOR A CONVICTED MURDERER

Lagoa Ordered The Retrial For A Convicted Murderer After A Stenographer Accidentally Erased The Trial Transcripts. According to the Daily Mail, “She also ordered a retrial for Randy Chaviano, convicted of shooting Carlos Acosta dead in 2005, after a court stenographer accidentally erased transcripts from his trial. [Daily Mail, [9/25/20](#)]

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