

18th day of hearing on 10 July 2024 in the matter of Dr Reiner Füllmich before the Göttingen Regional Court

Due to bad weather, road closures and their long journeys, lawyer Katja Wörmer and lawyer Dr Christof Miseré were slightly delayed, so that the hearing did not start until 10.00 a.m. had begun. The additionally appointed public defence lawyer, Tobias Pohl, was not present until half past midday due to his own overlapping appointments.

At the beginning of the hearing, the defence lawyer Dr Christof Miseré read out a dossier from the Office for the Protection of the Constitution, or rather a service, about himself as a lawyer, in which the Füllmich mandate was prominently mentioned. He requested that all professional judges of the chamber obtain official statements and asked whether they were aware that dossiers were apparently being compiled against the lawyers involved in the proceedings and requested that this be clarified by the court. Katja Wörmer, lawyer, agreed with Christof Miseré's request, as she had also learnt in the meantime that a dossier had probably also been compiled about her by a service, which would be available to Mr Miseré next week. She expressed great astonishment and bewilderment at this.

Dr Christof Miseré handed over an original from a classified file of a department in which reference was made to the liaison person Marcel Luthe and asked for a copy for the file and for the original to be returned to him.

Katja Wörmer, attorney-at-law, then filed another motion to discharge the other public defender appointed by the court, Tobias Pohl, or to change the responsibilities of the public defender on the following grounds:

- 1. The public defender, Mr Pohl, was not present at the first hearing and therefore cannot properly fulfil his role as a further public defender due to his own schedule.
- 2. Mr Pohl has not yet visited the defendant in Rosdorf Prison and has not yet spoken to him on the phone.
- 3. It is doubtful that he will be able to familiarise himself adequately with the very extensive and complex 11-volume case file in the short time available.
- 4. The defendant continues to vehemently reject the other public defence lawyer appointed by the court, lawyer Pohl, which he also confirmed verbally. In addition, the defendant himself took the floor and confirmed that he had no relationship with lawyer Tobias Pohl and would not trust him.



Katja Wörmer then brought up the court's schedule of responsibilities once again. Roger Bittel of Bittel TV had been informed that a judge of another chamber (in this case, Mr Judge Starck of the 9th Criminal Chamber was called in) is only responsible when the competences in his own chamber, in this case the 5th Commercial Criminal Chamber, have been exhausted. The official statements of Judge Wedekamp and Judge Hook were therefore also requested as to whether they had also been absent during the holiday of Presiding Judge Schindler or why they had not been able to make the appointment of the public defender on behalf of the presiding Judge Schindler who was dealing with the proceedings.

It was pointed out that a motion for recusal against the presiding judge might be filed again. The presiding judge then read out the decision to reject all motions for evidence by the defence counsel Dr Christof Miseré.

In addition, he recorded the decision in the minutes that the decision to reject the motion to recuse attorney Katja Wörmer from mid-May had not been properly made.

Attorney Katja Wörmer then read out motions for evidence, including numerous documents from the file, for two hours until the lunch break. In addition, motions for evidence were also dictated into the minutes.

The one-hour lunch break was followed by the second part of the trial. Further motions for evidence were filed, including by Dr Reiner Füllmich himself, who had them dictated directly into the minutes, and also further motions for evidence by lawyer Katja Wörmer, who also filed a new motion for a review of detention, as she had previously announced. Between the motions for evidence, she had also applied for the immediate discontinuation of the proceedings and the release of the accused, which she based, among other things, on purely corporate law aspects - for example, the asset shares of the two complainants had never been affected by the loan issues - and the unlawfulness of the deportation of Dr Reiner Füllmich. Füllmich from Mexico.



19th day of hearing on 12.07.2024 in the matter of Dr Reiner Füllmich before the Göttingen Regional Court

As usual on Fridays, the hearing lasted half a day until midday. Dr Christof Miseré was not present. Rain Katja Wörmer and the other public defence lawyer Tobias Pohl attended the trial.

Dr Reiner Füllmich continued to read out his motions for evidence and dictated them to the court reporter to be added to the minutes. This procedure took around 1.5 hours until all motions for evidence had been added to the minutes.

Katja Wörmer then presented her own motions for evidence and also dictated some of these into the minutes; some were in written form, which she sent directly to the court by email. Dr Christof Miseré had prepared additional remarks on the detention examination date set the day before by Katja Wörmer, which were to be read out.

However, this could no longer be carried out on this day of the trial as time did not permit. The presiding judge Schindler postponed this to the next day of the trial.

The public prosecutor's office, represented by public prosecutor Recha and public prosecutor John, requested, as on the previous day of the trial, that all motions for evidence be rejected. They did not consider it necessary to give reasons for this.

No decision was made on this day of the trial, nor were the motions for evidence from the last two days of the trial decided. Katja Wörmer's application for a stay of the arrest warrant was also not granted. This will be supplemented on the next day of the trial.

Dr Reiner Füllmich gave a personal statement on his current situation in the prison and the prison conditions. He was still in isolation in the A0 reception centre and was not allowed to have any contact with his fellow prisoners, and he also had to walk around the yard alone. The reason given for this was that he was giving legal advice to his fellow inmates, which was not desirable. However, he mentioned that the staff treated him well and that most of the inmates still supported him.

One incident had particularly touched him and he reported that he had heard a fellow inmate speak very loudly.

"Free Reiner" had heard him shout. As he was a lawyer himself, he could not understand why he was not allowed to give his fellow prisoners legal advice. This was completely incomprehensible to him and, in his opinion, not a valid reason to isolate him from his fellow inmates.

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