

## **MENENDEZ BROTHERS PRESS CONFERENCE – MARK GERAGOS**

**Mark Geragos, Attorney for Menendez Brothers:** I never thought two years later we'd be standing here after 35 years with this wonderful family, that we have grown to love like my own family. And now we see the pot at the end of the rainbow, so to speak. Or their freedom. I want to do a hat tip to Judge Jessica, who was able to cancel out noise surrounding this. All of the grandstanding, all of the political and forth. And he did what the code section said he should do. He did what justice said should happen. And he struck the special circumstance, and he sentence them to 50 to life, which means they're immediately eligible. For those who don't know, in a couple of weeks, there is already a clemency hearing set. There's also a response due in the habeas next month. And so all all bets are still on. Sentencing has happened. I made a call. First call I made was to Leslie Abramson. I couldn't get a hold of Leslie. It went straight to voicemail., I have long admired Leslie. I think about her often in this courthouse because one of the last trials she did was in this courthouse. Say something, several years ago that no amount of TikTok was going to ever change anything. And so I was calling to tease her. And so, Leslie, I will tell you, it's a whole different world we live in now. And it's one of the things that I think is important is to recognize the like the legislature has done. We have evolved. This is not the 90s anymore. We have a more robust understanding of a lot of things. And I hat tip to the family, and I'll let them after we answer a couple of questions. Speak about what this means to them. I just know that day, like today, redemption is possible. And to those you saw X-Raided talk today, you saw kind of the ridicule was nature of the cross-examination. You can turn anything on its head. The fact is, the Menendez brothers have done remarkable work and today is a great day after 35 years.