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## Edward Walsh's political machine influences judge picks

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Although it is not unusual for newly elected judges to thank the political leaders who helped get them to the bench, those political leaders are not usually facing federal charges of wire fraud and theft of government funds. Prosecutors allege that Walsh, 50, collected more than \$80,000 by falsely claiming he was working at his job at the Suffolk County jail, when he actually was golfing, gambling or engaged in political activities. His trial is scheduled to begin Tuesday.

That new judges — including Democrats and Republicans — would thank the Conservative Party leader who is under a cloud speaks to the power of the political machine Walsh has built. New York's state election laws empower minor parties, which can make the critical difference in an election. Walsh leverages his control of the Conservative Party to secure patronage jobs and political contributions, and he makes no apologies for it.

A textbook example of the importance of the Conservative line — and the strange bedfellows made by the political deals for judgeships — came last fall when Republican Tara Scully ran for District Court against Democrat Stephen Ukeiley. The Conservative line went to Ukeiley, and Scully lost by 173 votes.

# Judge denies request to overturn Edward Walsh fraud conviction

A judge Wednesday denied a request by lawyers for former Suffolk County Conservative Party leader Edward Walsh to overturn his conviction for wire fraud and theft of government funds. Credit: Ed Betz

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## Former Islip Town Councilman Anthony Senft thanks Edward Walsh at judicial swearing-in

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Senft also thanked current political leaders and Conservative Party executive committee member Michael E. Torres, who was arrested in November 2014 on a felony charge of falsifying a Town of Islip job employment application. Torres has pleaded not guilty, and his case is pending, according to court records. Later found guilty and fired from Suffolk County Board of Elections along with Republican Bill Ellis (Deputy Commissioner) for seeing his father-in-law was made a Judge, but Mr. Ellis remained head of Smithtown Republican Party.

## Ed Walsh wire fraud sentencing postponed until April

By Robert E. Kessler [robert.kessler@newsday.com](mailto:robert.kessler@newsday.com) Updated February 2, 2017 7:37 PM

# Edward Walsh prison surrender delayed by federal judge

Edward Walsh arrives at federal court in Central Islip on Tuesday, June. 20, 2017. Credit: James Carbone

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# Edward Walsh denied bid for new trial, ordered to prison

Edward Walsh leaves federal court in Central Islip, March 15, 2016. Credit: Ed Betz

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# Appeals court denies bail for ex-Conservative Party chief Edward Walsh

Edward Walsh arrives at federal court in Central Islip on June, 20, 2017. Credit: James Carbone

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# Edward Walsh, ex-Suffolk party leader, surrenders to prison officials

Edward Walsh, seen here on June 20, 2017, at federal court in Central Islip, has begun serving a 2-year sentence for wire fraud and theft of government services, according to federal records. Credit: James Carbone

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## Ex-Suffolk County Conservative Party Chairman Edward Walsh ...

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