

## Well-Known Tennis Ref Charged with Murdering Her Husband

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[Lois Goodman, 70-year-old professional tennis referee, was intending on working at the 2012 US Open in New York before she was arrested on August 21](#), the night before the tournament was set to begin. Goodman was charged with first-degree murder for bludgeoning her husband to death with a coffee mug.

Goodman called the police on April 17, stating that she came home to find her husband dead in their bed, claiming that he had suffered a heart attack before falling down the stairs. However, autopsy results showed that he had “penetrating blunt force trauma,” indicating that he had been stabbed with a sharp object.

It was only after the autopsy results surfaced did authorities go back to investigate the murder scene. Police found no signs of forced entry, but found a coffee mug in several pieces.

Goodman’s attorneys argue that she is physically unable to commit such a crime, as the elderly woman has two hearing aids, a shoulder replacement, rheumatoid arthritis, and two full knee replacements. The defense is also complaining that the investigation of the crime scene was delayed and was therefore compromised.

When you go to court for a crime as serious as [murder](#), you will want an experienced criminal defense attorney on your side. While I don’t have enough information to know whether or not Lois Goodman did or did not kill her husband, I do think that her attorneys were right in questioning the prosecution’s evidence.

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