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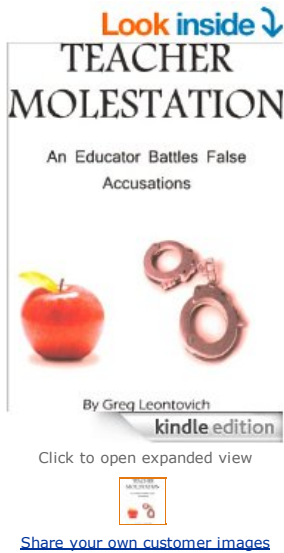
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[Greg Leontovich](#) (Author)  
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During Greg Leontovich's 13-year teaching career, a bad day typically involves students sneaking pets into class, buses never arriving for planned field trips and almost any day that ends with a long faculty meeting. Then comes September 15, 2005.

Late the night before, a mother calls the police and reports that her six year-old daughter had been sodomized at school that day by a teacher. The next day, police take Greg in for questioning. The 48 year-old elementary education teacher in the Cobb County, Georgia school district is soon arrested, charged with aggravated child molestation and facing a 30-year prison sentence. Front-page newspaper stories follow as Greg spends the next 26 days in a jail cell packed with men accused of child sexual abuse.

Greg finally is granted bail but finds his teaching career over when the school district fires him upon his release. Hearings and appeals follow but the termination stands. He hires Barry Hazen, a prominent Atlanta criminal defense attorney, and spends the next two and half years out on bond watching his case wind through the criminal justice system while working temporary jobs.

Hazen constructs a defense of the case while dealing with a changing cast of assistant district attorneys and judges. Finally, exactly 900 days after Greg is arrested, Hazen begins to select jurors and the trial begins.

Teacher Molestation is the true, first person account of a teacher charged with sexually assaulting a child during the height of America's To Catch a Predator era of child molestation hysteria. Greg survives his long nightmare with the love of his now-wife, Melissa, endless support from his friends and colleagues and the courtroom clinic put on by Hazen, who demonstrates how to try a criminal case that appears hopeless at the beginning.

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Greg Leontovich endured every teacher's worst nightmare while keeping the most level head possible. Although the Cobb County School Board told the Green Acres faculty that Greg was most definitely guilty, every educator that knew him knew it was not possible for Greg to commit such a crime. The judge told the Cobb County Police Department and the State's Attorney's office that they arrested Mr. Leontovich without good cause and there was no reason for him to have gone through this. Their investigation had been shoddy, to say the least. Has the police department ever apologized for what they did to Greg? No. Has the States Attorney apologized for what they did to Greg? Of course not! And then, there is the Cobb County School Board. Those people were unable to use their brains and allow Greg, not just found not guilty, but PROVEN not guilty, to return to his job. If there has ever been a "wrong" in this world, it is this. Mr. Leontovich and Melissa never gave up. Their special love endured throughout this horrible ordeal. You think you are in debt?? Mr. Leontovich has legal debts of \$100,000. Shame on you Cobb County Police. Shame on you State Attorneys! Shame on you (especially) Cobb County School Board!

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I worked with Greg when he was falsely accused of sexually assaulting a student. His book is honest and heartbreaking. That was a scary time for all of us, but our feelings and fears were nothing compared to his. What I learned most from this book is that our justice system is flawed and isn't just at all in some cases. Greg was obviously considered "guilty until proven innocent" by the law enforcement officers involved in his case. It's a warning to all adults who work with children.

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I represented Greg in his case. Although we worked closely together for two years on the case I didn't appreciate the full horror he went through. This book captures and tells the extent of the

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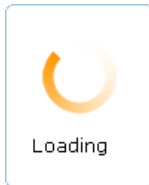
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They say that nice guys always finish last. They also say that there's an exception to every rule. This book shows that Greg was the exception to the nice guys finish last rule. Once I started reading this book I didn't want to stop. I'd find any excuse I could to read a page or two on my computer, or Kindle or iPhone. It's a real page turner! I can't imagine the hell you went through in all of those months leading up to your trial. I wish you and Melissa a very happy future together. Lord knows you've been through a lot together.

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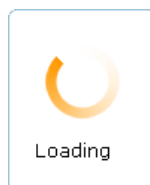
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