

Rodriguez Shelled Out \$305,000 For Evidence

According to latest rumors, New York Yankees' [Alex Rodriguez](#) and his representatives confirmed during sworn testimony that Rodriguez forked over the \$305,000 for purchasing 'various forms of evidence,' including videotapes, documents, and affidavits that may have incriminated him or that would be used in his defense in an arbitration or court proceeding.

A person familiar with the arbitration proceedings at baseball's Park Avenue offices has revealed that Alex Rodriguez paid \$305,000 for evidence involved in the Major League Baseball's investigation linking him to multiple violations of the league's collectively bargained drug agreement. A-Rod was suspended by MLB Commissioner Bud Selig for 211 games for his involvement in the [Biogenesis doping scandal](#).

The admission came as documents were submitted to arbitrator Fredric Horowitz, who will decide whether the suspension of A-Rod will stand, be reduced or thrown out. Legal team of the baseball superstar, led by criminal defense attorney Joe Tacopina, has accused Major League Baseball in the press of conducting a "witch hunt" in its investigation and of paying for evidence. MLB chief operating officer Rob Manfred had acknowledged paying \$125,000 for documents related to the investigation of Biogenesis anti-aging clinic that MLB's actions were perfectly legal. Manfred added that there is nothing wrong with purchasing documents in an investigation and the MLB did it in the course of trying to see if it had players using [performance enhancing drugs](#) in violation of our agreement.

Alex Rodriguez has been facing many legal hurdles in the recent past and recently filed a medical malpractice suit against Yankee team doctor Christopher Ahmad and New York Presbyterian/Columbia University Medical Center. In the malpractice suit, Alex Rodriguez has claimed that Ahmad did not properly diagnose his left hip injury during last year's playoffs. It was further alleged in the suit that Ahmad did not disclose to Rodriguez the MRI results on the left hip and states that after performing, understanding and analyzing the MRI, (Ahmad) had diagnosed Plaintiff as suffering from a superior labral tear at the left hip; and without informing the plaintiff of the diagnosis, knowingly cleared the Plaintiff to resume playing as a third baseman for the New York Yankees during the (2012) season playoffs, thus allowing the Plaintiff to further injure himself and the necessity for additional surgeries.

In another development Dan Mullin, who led the investigation of Alex Rodriguez and his alleged association with the now-defunct Biogenesis clinic, has denied that he was never the target of any probe when he was involved in a money laundering/prostitution case during the mid-'90s. Mullin

remarked he was transferred to be the head of Staten Island detective operations, which is in charge of all the detectives on Staten Island, a prestigious spot. Daniel Castleman, who was the long-time chief of investigations in the Manhattan DA's office, said Dan Mullin was never under investigation in the case and served with distinction and honor throughout his career. Michael Tiffany, a retired NYPD assistant chief who worked with Mullin for many years, said MLB is very fortunate to have Dan and added Mullin didn't have evidence against A-Rod, he would never say that he had a case against him and he's not going to create something or manufacture evidence.