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Ex-DA's libel award may be movie fodder

By The Associated Press

WACO — A former prosecutor would like Kevin Costner to portray him in a movie about his trials and tribulations.

The last trial Vic Fezell was involved in was the payoff. The former McLennan County district attorney won a \$58 million libel verdict in April.

Jurors concluded that former WFAA-TV reporter Charles Duncan libeled Fezell in a 1985 11-part series that cast Fezell as a corrupt prosecutor who took bribes from Waco attorneys to dismiss cases.

Fezell was cleared of those charges in 1987 after a six-week federal trial in Austin.

Fezell settled the libel case in late June for an undisclosed sum with Channel 8's parent company, Belo Broadcasting Corp.

Fezell told the *Waco Tribune-Herald* he will meet with producers, attorneys and representatives of Home Box Office.

When talk of movies has come up in the past, Fezell had wanted to portray himself on the silver screen.