

## OPENING / MR. DRUCKER

1 were doing that for one reason, as crazy as this may sound,  
2 they were kidnapping him because they thought his cousin  
3 had cheated them out of a large cocaine deal. This case  
4 will be about that kidnapping, about that senseless murder  
5 and about the drug deal that led up to it. It will be  
6 about what happened. It will be about why it happened.

7 And because most importantly it will be about who did  
8 it. Five men you'll learn committed this crime.

9 As you know only one man is on trial before you at this  
10 time. But, you will learn at the trial the names of all  
11 five of those men. And you'll learn that this defendant  
12 Miguel Dellos Santos was not the shooter, was not the man  
13 that pulled the trigger that actually killed Manuel  
14 Gonzalez. He was not even one of the two men that came  
15 into the apartment for the kidnapping armed with guns.

16 But, you will learn that he was the driving force  
17 behind the kidnapping. He was the boss. It was his  
18 drugs that were involved. It was his money that was owed  
19 and it was a lot.

20 This involved five kilo grams of cocaine which was  
21 worth back then about a hundred thousand dollars. A lot  
22 of money. And they were his drugs that were stolen. It  
23 was his drugs that were not paid for. He was the one who  
24 was out the hundred thousand dollars and the other four  
25 were really doing it for him. Their boss. Their

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