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# Off-duty Attorney General saves dog from attack

Morrison breaks up dog fight, owner grateful

Story by [Gena Terlizzi](#) ([Contact](#))

4:39 p.m. Monday, August 27, 2007

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That long arm of the law belongs to Kansas Attorney General Paul Morrison.

He was off-duty, and in the right place at the right time, ready to fight crime, when a woman's nightly dog walk turned into a disaster.

“This is how we go on our walk every day,” explained Carmen Alldritt as her dog buddy pulled her out the front door for a stroll around the neighborhood.

It started like any other Tuesday evening as Carmen Alldritt took her dog buddy out for his walk in the Potwin neighborhood just west of Downtown.

“As I was going up the street I saw a dog up ahead and so we just went to the other side of the street and kept heading up that ,” she explained.

Buddy was on his leash.

The other dog, a Doberman, was not.

It attacked.

“The next thing I knew here was this dog, and the dogs were in the middle of the street, and of course I was petrified,” Carmen told us.

Buddy was losing the fight.

"Things just weren't going good and my dog was in pain and suffering and about that time, here came a shiny black pickup and this guy gets out," Carmen said.

“And I hear a voice that said, ‘When I reach in and your dog moves, you take him and go’,” she continued.

That's when Carmen looked up to see Attorney General Paul Morrison, the state's top law enforcement officer, and his long arm of the law.

“And the next thing I knew here came a hand in to this melee, and my dog got loose and took off to come home and I followed right after him,” Carmen said.

She took her dog straight to the vet.

“He was just kind of beat up all over and just pounded,” Carmen explained.

After some stitches and an overnight stay at the vet's office, Buddy got to go home.

Now, almost two weeks later, he's slowly getting back to normal.

"He's more back to his spunky little self . . . nothing but good news now,” Carmen added.

And she has Paul Morrison to thank for it.

“And I mean, it's the attorney general of the state of Kansas! I mean, what other attorney generals in their states just stop in some neighborhood when they see something going on and just make their presence known? And I'm so thankful,” Carmen said.

We wanted to ask attorney general Paul Morrison about the rescue, but he was suddenly shy about his after-hours role as a neighborhood crime fighter.

He says he's just glad to hear the dog is recovering.

Carmen Alldritt tells 49 News she filed a complaint with animal control about the loose Doberman that attacked her dog.

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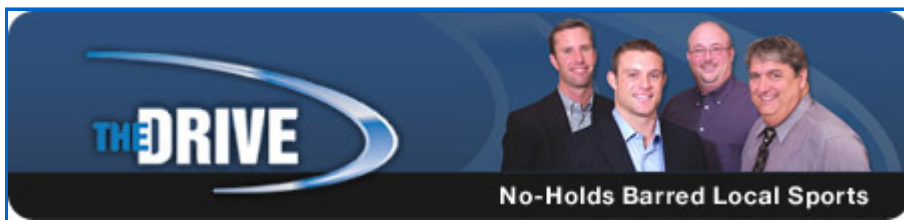
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