

## EX-CLIENT OF DRUG PROGRAM TESTIFIES

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A former enrollee in the Possibilities Unlimited program testified yesterday that program workers carried him from his Frankfort home, put him in a car and that one of the workers sat on him during part of the trip to the Lexington drug-rehabilitation center.

█████ Mullins, 18, of Frankfort, who was enrolled in Possibilities Unlimited from October 1984 through April of this year, was one of two prosecution witnesses yesterday during the third day of the trial of Dr. George Ross, the director of the drug center, on charges of unlawful imprisonment.

The other witness was Mrs. ██████ Rue, the mother of another former client, who testified that she was told her son would be taken away from her if she took him out of the program.

Ross, 36, is charged with five counts of unlawful imprisonment. The charges stemmed from complaints filed in late May by five former clients of Possibilities Unlimited, a drug treatment center for young people ages 12 to 25.

All five of the complainants have now testified in the case.

Prosecutors Phillip Moloney and Jack Giles said yesterday that they planned to wrap up their case on Monday afternoon. Defense attorneys Larry Roberts and Roger Cowden then will begin presenting their case. Roberts has subpoenaed more than 40 witnesses.

In yesterday's testimony, Mullins said he visited his home in Frankfort in late February and refused to return to the drug program. He said he and his father had a fight, in which his father was injured.

A short time later, three Possibilities Unlimited staff workers came to the Mullins home, and without asking questions, Mullins said, forced him into the car. When they arrived at the center, Mullins said, he was dragged from the car and forced into the building.

Mullins said Ross told him that he would be charged with assault if he left the program.

On cross-examination by Cowden, Mullins acknowledged that, when later questioned at Possibilities Unlimited by three Lexington police officers, he said nothing about being held against his will. Mullins said he feared the officers would tell Ross and he would be punished.

Mullins, a high school dropout, also said that he had admitted selling marijuana and that Ross threatened to turn that information over to police if Mullins left the program.

Mrs. Rue, of Lexington, whose 16-year-old son spent two months in the program, told the court that she decided to remove him from the center in early February because she thought he had emotional, rather than drug, problems.

Mrs. Rue, who said she admitted having used drugs to Ross, testified that Ross threatened to have her son taken from her if the boy left the program.

Mrs. Rue was able to get her son after contacting her attorney.

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