

TRIAL INVOLVING DRUG CENTER POSTPONED

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The trial of two clients and a staff member of Possibilities Unlimited, each charged with unlawful imprisonment, was postponed yesterday because the prosecution said it needed more time to find witnesses.

In granting the continuance, Fayette District Judge Rebecca Overstreet did not set a new trial date for █████ Polkamp, █████ Fleming and █████ Haggerty.

Polkamp is a staff member at Possibilities Unlimited; Fleming and Haggerty were clients in the program who had advanced to supervisory positions. The three are accused of unlawfully restraining a 19-year-old Frankfort boy in the program.

Possibilities Unlimited is a rehabilitation program for young people on drugs. Its founder and director, George Ross, stood trial in September on several charges of unlawful imprisonment and was acquitted. The charges stemmed from complaints filed by several young people who contended they were restrained physically and psychologically from leaving the program.

During Ross' trial, there was testimony that Polkamp, Fleming and Haggerty went to Frankfort and picked up a client and returned him to the program against his will.

County prosecutor Jack Giles, who asked for postponement to give him time to find witnesses who have moved out of state, said the case probably would be heard sometime in January. Defense attorney Ken Smith did not oppose the postponement.

Unlawful imprisonment is a misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in jail and a \$500 fine.

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