

Former chief still awaits day in court

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MARLBORO — The trial of former Marlboro Police Chief Robert C. Holmes, who faces multiple sex crime charges, is still pending, according to the Monmouth County Prosecutor's Office.

A Monmouth County Grand Jury returned a seven-count indictment in July 2009 that charged Holmes with two counts of first-degree aggravated sexual assault, according to a previous News Transcript article.

This week the News Transcript sought an update on the case and was informed by a representative of the prosecutor's officer that it remains unresolved.

In addition to the two counts of first-degree aggravated sexual assault, Holmes is charged with two counts of second-degree sexual assault, one count of second-degree endangering the welfare of a child, one count of third-degree aggravated criminal sexual contact and a final count of fourthdegree criminal sexual contact.

The county's Sex Crimes/Child Abuse Bureau performed the investigation that brought about the indictment.

Upon investigating the matter, the unit found that Holmes allegedly took part in illegal sexual acts with a female minor between April 2005 and March 2007.

Holmes allegedly endangered the welfare of the juvenile from April 2005 to December 2007. The victim's age ranged from 12 to 14 during the period of time in question, according to the previous article.

The victim's mother reported the alleged crimes to the prosecutor's office in December 2007.

Holmes could receive a 20-year state prison sentence if he is convicted of first degree aggravated sexual assault, according to the previous article.

Holmes retired from his position with the Marlboro Police Department on Jan. 1, 2009. He held the position of police chief since about 1998.

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