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Former deputy convicted of sexual assault of child gets new trial



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HOUSTON (KTRK) -- A former Harris County sheriff's deputy convicted of sexually assaulting a child will get a new trial.

A judge granted the motion Wednesday for Paul Briones. He was found guilty last month on two counts of aggravated sexual assault of a child under 14. After the trial, Briones' defense attorneys talked to jurors and learned that while deliberating, some of them looked at evidence that wasn't admitted during the trial.

"You have to ask yourself, considering what happened with Clemens, how could a piece of evidence that's inadmissible get back to the jury? It's shocking," said defense attorney Abraham Fisch.

Briones' new trial is expected to begin some time next month.

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