Former deputy Seibert receives second change of venue

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The trial for former Cedar County deputy David Seibert, charged with felony enticement of a child March 3, 2011, and separate charges of statutory rape filed March 17, 2011, has received another change of venue.

In October 2011, Seibert's then-attorney, Shane Cantin, requested a change of venue which was granted, and Seibert's trial was scheduled to take place Sept. 10 and 11, in Vernon County.

In a pre-trial conference Tuesday, July 29, Judge Neal Quitno granted another change of venue, this time to Barton County.

Cedar County Prosecuting Attorney Rick Pohlsander said the reason the change of venue was granted was the Nevada Daily Mail recently published an article regarding Seibert's current defense attorney, Dustin Dunfield, having faced charges of statutory rape when he was younger.

"After that article, we felt it would be very difficult to pick a jury who would not hold that fact against the case," Pohlsander said. "I didn't oppose the change, and Barton County had the same dates open."

Seibert's trial is set for Sept. 10-11 in Barton County.

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