## Former deputy AG's rape trial scheduled

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The trial for a former state deputy attorney general accused of raping a 16-year-old boy has been scheduled for early next year.

Daniel G. Simmons' trial is expected to start mid February and take three days, according to Superior Court records. Also during his Wednesday hearing, the 34-year-old, waived his arraignment, pleaded not guilty to three charges of fourth-degree rape.

Simmons allegedly had sex with the teenage boy and a college student in March at his home located at of the 5000 block of N. Tupelo Turn in Pike Creek, according to court documents.

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He resigned from his job on May 5. Four days later the Delaware Supreme Court suspended him from practicing law. He'd been employed as a prosecutor since Nov. 29, 2006.

During the suspension, Simmons cannot share in any legal fees earned for services by others and cannot have any contact with clients, prospective clients, witnesses or prospective witnesses.

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