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Hearing Postponed In Mullinville Homicide

A court hearing for a Kiowa County man accused of killing his wife was delayed Thursday until next month.

Mark Ralstin's docket hearing was rescheduled for 1 p.m. Dec. 10 in Kiowa County District Court, said Ryan Sinovic, director of online outreach and communication for Kansas Attorney General Steve Six. A docket hearing is used to schedule a contested preliminary hearing, in which the state tries to convince the court that a defendant should be bound over for trial.

A defense attorney usually cross examines witnesses during a preliminary hearing but does not put its own witnesses on the stand.

Sinovic said he did not know why the hearing was delayed.

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