

Racine County District Attorney Patricia Hanson tells me her office will re-issue the felony and other charges against Luis Granados, Jr., the convicted child abuser who was facing a myriad of separate charges for allegedly assaulting correctional officers and jailers in Racine while awaiting charges. I reported earlier this week on the decision by Assistant Race DA Chris Steenrod to drop charges and Hanson's explanation that it was not safe to keep bringing Granados back to Racine. Since my report, Racine County Sherriff Christopher Schmaling has blasted Hanson's decision. Hanson claims it was a Racine Sheriffs supervisor that asked that the charges be brought but she will not identify this person.

Hanson now says the decision to drop charges was a mistake and they will be re-filed. Granados has five months remaining on his conviction for the violent abuse of his son. He could face several years of additional time if convicted of the assaults against the officers.

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