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Jury still out in lawsuit against police

WATERBURY — The third full day of jury deliberation in a potential \$2.5 million lawsuit against city police ended with no decision.

A note from the jury of two men and six women early Tuesday indicated they were deadlocked on one or more counts in a suit that claims police mishandled a woman's 1993 rape claim.

Superior Court Judge Chase Rogers instructed the jury to keep trying for a decision.

The jury began deliberations late Thursday in the case where a 44-year-old business woman claims police didn't properly investigate her complaint and ultimately accused her of having an affair when they couldn't solve the case.

The woman said she was traumatized by Waterbury Police Capt. Douglas Moran, who questioned her story after noting oddities in the case.

She testified she was crushed when officers, who were supposed to help her, tried to blame her instead.

The woman told police she was sleeping when an unknown assailant crept into her Waterbury home, tied her up with panty hose, blindfolded her and sexually assaulted her. She said she was terrorized with a gun and knife while her two young children slept in their rooms, she said. The alleged attack took place when her husband was at a wedding in Colorado. Deliberations are scheduled to continue today.