

Prelim hearing continued in local child sex case

(KNZA)--The preliminary hearing for a Hiawatha woman facing a pair of child sex charges has been pushed back again.

Brown County Attorney Kevin Hill told MSC News the attorney for 19-year-old Teaini Simmons requested a continuance Wednesday to go over the high volume of digital forensic evidence in the case.

The court granted the request and rescheduled the preliminary hearing for the morning of October 10.

During the preliminary hearing, a judge will determine if there is enough evidence for Simmons to bound over for trial on charges of rape and aggravated indecent liberties with a child.

She was arrested May 15 following an investigation by the Hiawatha Police Department.

The investigation was launched after the department received a report from a concerned citizen that Simmons was romantically involved with a child under the age of 14.

She remains in the Brown County Jail, held on a \$100,000 bond.