

Trial Set In Drug Case

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A man who authorities allege sold methamphetamine while on bond awaiting trial on a prior drug charge will face trial Oct. 2.

Gary Andrew Garst, 50, appeared in Frederick County Circuit Court in Winchester on Thursday to set the trial date for drug charges related to his arrests in November and March.

The RUSH Drug Task Force raided Garst's home on Briery Branch Road in Dayton on Nov. 1 and seized about 2 ounces of marijuana and a small amount of meth, according to court records.

In March, before the case could be tried, police arrested Garst again and charged him with dealing methamphetamine, according to court records.

He faces multiple counts of dealing marijuana and methamphetamine in connection with the arrests, according to court records.

Although Garst is charged with crimes in Rockingham County, his case is being prosecuted in Frederick County Circuit Court because he is the brother of Commonwealth's Attorney Marsha Garst.

Gary Garst's attorney, John Holloran, said Garst has been held without bond since March.

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